This week on the Upper site we have had a very exciting assembly with candidates for Young Mayor of Lewisham. The picture below shows our own candidate Esther Sanko singing in the assembly to make her points heard and remembered! We all wish Esther the best of luck. I am pleased to announce that Year 10 Work Experience will be taking place from Monday 13th June - Friday 17th June 2016. All letters were put in pastoral wallets last week and Mr Shenbanjo has also e-mailed parents and sent a letter home. There will be a Work Experience Launch Assembly on Tuesday 6th October 2015: we will introduce the students to work experience and some Year 11’s will talk about how to go about securing a placement and how important finding your own placement is.

Sixth Form Open Evening will be on Wednesday 7th October. To ensure our own students get dedicated time on their own with the teachers and the Principal we are opening the evening earlier for internal students. Therefore all Year 11 students and their families are invited to join us at 4:45pm to spend time with individual teachers and then we have added an additional speech at 5:30pm for internal students only, whilst external students will be arriving at 6:00pm. We look forward to seeing you all on Wednesday.

Finally from me, the interventions for the Year 11 students have now started, so please make sure your child is attending as these are targeted to the students who need the help the most. We will be running parents’ coffee afternoons with subjects to ensure the school/parent relationship is strong and that each individual child is reaching their potential and beyond. Have a good weekend. Mrs Malik—Head of Upper School

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Student Voice by Miss Prendergast, Head of Dyson House. Here at Aske’s we believe student voice is a crucial part of education as we value young people’s unique perspectives on learning, teaching and schooling. So far this year, we have been working in collaboration with Lewisham Council affording our students the opportunity of applying to become Young Mayor of Lewisham. As a result we have one of our own Year 11 students, Esther Sanko, run for the position. This is the perfect opportunity for our students to see how they can make their voices heard both in school and as part of the wider community. The successful candidate will work alongside the current Mayor, Sir Steve Bullock, on issues relating to young people. We wish Esther Sanko the best of luck! Please encourage your children to have a look at the Young Mayor of Lewisham website and check out all of the candidates’ manifestos! The voting will take place in school on the 14th of October.

We are setting up a student council for both Upper and Middle schools. The vision is to create a representative structure for the student body allowing them to become more involved with the running of the school. They will also work in partnership with the school management team with the prospect of creating student-led change. I will be responsible for encouraging, facilitating, running and assisting the student council here at Hatcham, working alongside a nationally recognised body- Team London Young Ambassadors. As an additional incentive for all their hard work and assistance members of the student council will also receive leadership and action-planning training. Members of the student council will attend an end-of-year trip which involves many fun student-led activities and the opportunity to meet and listen to motivational speakers and leaders, such as Malala Yousafzai. We are currently recruiting for members of the student council so please encourage your children to get involved! The first meeting dates for Upper school (Years 10-13) council will be after school at 3.20pm on the 8th October 2015 and lower school (Years 7-9) after school on 14th October 2015 at 3.20pm.

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UPPER SCHOOL
ARTIST OF THE WEEK

MIGUEL POWELL
11HYB
Year 11

Key interventions have started for English and Maths. Many Year 11 students are taking part in the Saturday fixture against a visiting Australian school – we wish them good luck. Esther Sankoh is running for young mayor and has started her campaign. The Young Mayor team will be coming to speak to Year 11’s on the 12th October in assembly. Students have started completing Maths-focused work on a Thursday morning and English will be started next week.

Year 10

Year 10s are continuing to work hard and are putting a lot of effort into their studies. Inter-house football has taken place this week, which has been a pleasant lunchtime distraction for many!

Harvest festival assembly will be on Wed 7th. Each form is encouraged to make up a box of gifts which they bring to assembly by 08.30 and place with their House collection. Congratulations to 10HXR again for the most achievement points, and congratulations to 10HYY for being the most punctual!

Diary Dates:
8th October 2015 - Year 10 Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Training Day
9th October 2015 - Year 11 Silver Duke of Edinburgh Training Day
9th October 2015 - Year 10 & 11 Career Exploration Trip—Apprenticeship Careers Show

Thought for the week: ‘When we give cheerfully and accept gratefully, everyone is blessed’ Maya Angelou
Composer/Musician of the month MOBO

Commiserations to the Year 10 football team who lost 7 - 2 yesterday in the London Cup against Bishop Challoner. This score line however is quite misleading, as many of the players taking part had earlier played in a rugby match or had 4 lessons of PE prior to kick-off. This was an unfortunate fixture clash, on a particularly busy day of PE for Year 10, but the fixture had to be played before the set deadline. Despite this, Hatcham took an early lead and played some good football. Ironically the best chances created in the first 15 minutes were all from Hatcham.

Half way through the half a free kick was conceded by Hatcham on the edge of the box and Bishop Challoner equalised. They then took advantage of tiring legs and scored another 2 goals before half time. 3 – 1 to Bishop Challoner at half time. The Year 10 team showed good spirit and kept going even when they were tired and conceding goals. Hopefully they will take this into their next cup match (Blackheath Cup).

Harvest Festival 2015

Next week we have our Harvest Festival assemblies on Tues 6th (JS) and Wed 7th (PS). Each form is encouraged to make up a box of gifts which they can bring to assembly by 08.30am and place with their House collection. This is also a House competition and points are awarded for each box, the best decorated box, the best quality of gifts in a box and the House with the biggest collection.

All the gifts are taken to local Centrepoint hostels after assembly. Centrepoint works with young homeless people aged 16-25. Along with providing a safe place to sleep they also try to prepare them to live independently by teaching some life skills including how to cook. Gifts therefore can include lots of packet and tinned food like teabags, cereals, pasta but can also include cooking ingredients such as cooking oil, items like toothbrushes, shower gel etc. Our assemblies will be led by workers from the local hostels who will talk about the work they do with rehabilitation and how the food and other gifts will be used.

Harvest Festival Recipes:

**Monday**
- Sausage and Mash with Onion Gravy
- Vegetarian Pasta Bake (wholemeal pasta)
- Floured Loaf
- Fresh Carrots
- Fresh Cauliflower
- Pea and Yoghurt Granola (fruit based)

**Tuesday**
- Chicken Chive and Mushroom Pie with New Potatoes
- Curried Lentil Cottage Pie
- Crown Loaf
- Garden Peas
- Fresh Broccoli
- Carrot Cake

**Wednesday**
- Roast Turkey Breast with Sweet Paprika, Crispy Roast Potatoes and Gravy
- Cheese and Potato Pie
- Seeded Loaf
- Fresh Spring Cabbage and Fresh Carrots
- Apple Cracknell with Custard (fruit based)

**Thursday**
- Tex-Mex Beef and Bean Burrito with Mexican Rice
- Sweet Potato Gumbo with Cheesy Corn Bread
- Wholemeal Loaf
- Sweetcorn Roasted Vegetables
- Eton Mess

**Friday**
- Lemon and Lime Battered Fillet of Fish with Chunky Chips
- Spicy Bean Burger with Chunky Chips
- Garden or Mushy Peas Coleslaw
- Marmalade Sponge Cake with Custard