



OUR LADY'S CONVENT HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

All our public examinations are now completed! Well done and congratulations to all our students for conducting themselves so well throughout the examination period and we wish them every success on the results days. Also, a big thankyou to our examinations officer, Ms Attridge, the office team and all the invigilators for their fantastic efforts to ensure that all the exams ran smoothly and calmly. I am sure the students would echo this appreciation as the orderly management and calm atmosphere will have supported them to achieve their best.

Bike Around the Borough – Report by Dr. Deeny, Science Department

Mr Andrews and Dr Deeny led a group of 15 year 7's across Hackney Borough from Clissold Park to Hackney Marshes. Having checked all the bikes were roadworthy, we set off from School. At Clissold Park we met up with 860 other Hackney school riders to make our way towards the Marshes. It was 7 cyclists short of a world record! Good weather and some patient drivers led to a happy day for all. In all the whole trip was about about 15 miles. The terrain became hillier in the last stretch on our return to school and it added to the challenge for some of the students. We returned happily and safely, but slightly sunburnt but determined to do it next year. And break that record!



Year 8 Trip to the City of London – Report by Katie McCaughey 8P

On the 22nd June, I and some other year 8s went to Barnet Waddingham in the City of London to experience and learn about jobs we could possibly have when we are older. We were the first school group to be given a tour of the company which was interesting because we saw where everyone worked. We also had to create an advertisement for a made up company which was designed to improve our team work and time management skills, as these are the skills which we would need in a work place. Overall it was a great opportunity that helped us think about our future careers.

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Year 12 Personal Statement Workshop - report by Kehinde Oyebola (12 J) and Taiwo Oyebola (12P)

Last Friday, a Cambridge admissions officer from Clare College, an expert in university applications, came to our school in order to assist some of the current year 12s with their all important university personal statements.

She gave us all very important tips and strategies to write the 'perfect' personal statement and gave us individual feedback on our statements, suggesting where we could make improvements in order to strengthen our application.

We also participated in an activity where we had to organise snippets of opening paragraph personal statements into order, ranging from good to excellent. This was a very useful activity as some of the personal statements we thought were 'excellent' were deemed 'good' or even 'average' by the admissions tutor!

Overall, it was a very useful morning and it will definitely assist us in that next step of applying to a good university.

Cookery Workshop – Report by Shanon Duffley, year 9.

Over 45 students from Years 8-10 were involved in a 3 hour cookery workshop held by Adrian of Carter's Caterers, Specialists in Caribbean cuisines. I would like to thank all the Students who participated the SEN staff and Ms Kane for help with the funding for such a worthwhile project. Ms Bedneau

On Wednesday 17th June, I took part in a cooking workshop. We went through step by step on how to make a healthy jerk chicken wrap. I really enjoyed the workshop because you learn so much in 2-3 hours. I learnt many skills such as: how to be healthy by keeping your hands and cutlery clean, how to prepare a salad, to use a knife with care and most of all how to make a perfect jerk chicken wrap. I would 100% recommend this workshop because it gave was a great opportunity for young people to learn how to cook. Overall I really enjoyed the entire experience.



Youth Para Games Athletics Competition – Clara Ojako



On Wednesday 17th June, Clara Ojako from OLC, represented the London Borough of Hackney at the London Youth Para Games Athletics Competition at Lee Valley Athletics Centre. Clara was an indispensable member of the Hackney team winning Gold in her Turbo Javelin and Shot put events contributing a maximum 20 points. This lifted Hackney from 8th to 3rd place out of 26 competing boroughs.

An amazing achievement
Clara - well done!

Dance Competition – Bridge Academy



On 24th June our school took part on a Dance competition at bridge Academy. This happens every year and all the schools in Hackney are invited to take part. Every year the quality of the dances just get better and better.

There were 10 performances during the competition and our group was 2nd!! The Judges mention the fact that it was really tight between 2nd and 1st place.

Our dancers have been working really hard during their lunch time club with Wendy and the result was amazing! Thank you Wendy for running the club!

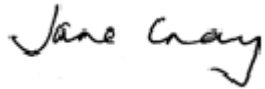
Congratulations to Noella Kukemba, Gradie Rosalie, Safiya Charles, Chidinma Ejimonye, June Kibushi-Kitoko, Kelly Tshienda, Oehm-Faith Paat Agcaoili, Sylvana Ben-Silva, Rosie Matondo, Theresa Tetteh-Adumuah, Mical Bile, Sarah Kola.

Attendance and Punctuality – Information from Dr Blackwell

The table below shows the Form within each year group achieving the best attendance and the form achieving the best punctuality for the week ending 19th June 2015.

	Attendance		Punctuality	
	Form	%	Form	%
Year 7	7J	99.03	7M	98.75
Year 8	8J	98.62	8P	99
Year 9	9J	99.06	9M	99.03
Year 10	10M	98.21	10M	98.21

Yours sincerely,



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