



Greatfields Gazette



Pupil of the Week:

Year 7: Christiana Amao 7Gull

Year 8: Gvidas Alisauskas 8Jamu

Year 9: Tasif Arman 9Kangethe

Congratulations to all that have received this award! The school is proud of you. Keep it up!

School Council Updates:

The school council has requested for mops for the art room, air fresheners for the drama room, more everyday equipment and ten other valid suggestions. These have been forwarded to Mr. Paul for approval and for change. Hopefully these requests will be made really soon.

The school is trying their best to make the school a good place of learning. So please appreciate the effort being made, as there are many people on the Earth without the ability or environment to learn.

There are no school council trips at the moment.





School Development:

The school is experiencing Phase 2 at the moment. However, the science building is already partly there and the builders have been making extremely good progress. Hopefully within time we will be in the new building and enjoying it as it will be well worth the wait. As the years go on the school will evolve to become bigger.

Interview with Miss Lethbridge:

Sarah – Black

Miss Lethbridge – Blue

Being one of the newest teachers in Greatfields School, I would like to ask what were your first impressions?

I thought that the school was well organised. In addition, everyone was calm and focused.

What do you think of student's attitude towards learning?

Overall, their attitudes are good. However, there is always room for improvements.

What do you think overall, on what students should improve on, either through education or attitude towards students or teachers?

Through education, because a lot of students work hard at school but do not do the same at home. But, homework is meant to be education at home, so that students carry on learning at home as well as school.

Why did you apply to teach in the school?

I applied because I wanted a change, and also, I wanted to take the lead as Head of English.



Assemblies:

Fortunately, the Year 8s had a guest speaker to come and talk to us about gangs. Mr Kingston was his name, and he talked about his experience in the 1970-80s when he was in a gang from the age of 13. He talked about ways that you can be lured into being in a gang, what people can do if you do become a gang's member, ways that girls can become involved or associated to gangs, how to prevent yourself from being in a gang, mental health issues you gain from being in a gang, that you can get a job if you have murdered but not raped and more.

Check out a more in depth version on the Greatfields website written by Sarah Olaley.

Upcoming Trips:

Science Trip – London Transport Museum for Science Week
School Council Trip – Not at the moment
Dance Club Trip – Drama and Dance and Music Coming Up Soon!

Extracurricular Activities:

Performing Arts:

Dance Club – Thursday
Choir – Friday
Drama Club – Wednesday

Sports:

Table Tennis (Boys) – Tuesday
Football (Boys) Club – Monday & Thursday
Football (Girls) – Tuesday
Rugby (Girls) – Thursday
Rugby (Boys) – Wednesday

Academic Clubs:

Art Club – Tuesday
Spanish Club – Tuesday
Stem Club – Wednesday
Coding Club – Monday and Thursday
Homework Club – Every school day, Every Break, Afterschool
Breakfast Club – Every morning 8am – 8:20
Maths Club (Miss Karim) – Monday and Tuesday
Maths Club (Miss Belhaj) – Wednesday's and Thursday
Debate Club (Miss Lathwell) – Thursday



Interview with Miss White:

Miss White – Blue

Sarah – Black

Why did you want to teach drama, music and dance to students?

I love drama, dance and music. It is my passion. Can't imagine not teaching performing arts. I think it is the most creative and exciting subject.

Why did you want to teach in Greatfields?

Greatfields has some talented students with great potential to do well within Performing Arts.

What do you think of pupil's behaviour towards each other?

Behaviour is really good here at Greatfields. They show respect towards teachers and peers. However, there is always room for improvement.

Do you enjoy hosting and putting together talent shows for the students at Greatfields?

Yes! It is one of my favourite jobs. I love it when students work independently with one another to create different, unique acts and performances.

What aspect of Greatfields do you like the most?

I love the individuality of the school.

Where do you see yourself in ten years' time and why?

Still here at Greatfields. With more shows being organised and shown to other students, teachers and parents.

What do you look for in a student, and what do you want for in a student?

For them to be positive, have a positive attitude towards learning and other things. To always try their hardest. To enjoy attending Greatfields School, and also to be proud of it.



Interview with Miss Leach:

What do you think of the school as a whole?

I like the whole positive culture. We have a fantastic vision for students. And I love working here.

How does it feel to be a Head Of Year? Is it stressful?

At times it can be stressful, but it is more rewarding than stressful.

What do you like most about being a teacher of PE?

I love having the freedom of the curriculum. And I love being outside (especially in summer). And when it's not windy.

What do you like most about your abilities as a teacher?

I feel like I am relatable to students. Personally, I think I am firm, but fair and passionate.

If someone had a fallout with a friend or was being bullied or involved in a fight, who would you recommend they talk to?

I would recommend any member of staff that they feel comfortable with.

What do you wish for every student in the school?

For all their dreams and aspirations to come true.

What do you think is a very different but unique aspect of this school that no other school has?

The fact that the school is being built around us.

What do you think the school is doing very well at the moment?

I think the school is doing very well at giving all students an equal opportunity.

What do you think the school needs to improve on? Whether it is attitude to others, focus in class or punctuality.

I think that the school needs to improve on response to others, punctuality and definitely at attendance. At the moment, we are working hard on students attendance as their target should be 98% or higher.

(And the more you come in to school, the more you learn and the more you get higher grades).





World Book Day!

Happy World Book Day!

On behalf of the teachers and staff, thank you for dressing up for world book day, and I am sure you all look like amazing book characters!

Remember that today you have been earning house points for your house.

The running total should be announced at your next assembly, either Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday.

Congratulations to those who won best costume!

3rd September = First day of Autumn Term
 24th July = Last day of Summer Term
 190 Teaching Days + 5 non-contact days (PDDs)

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