



## Most Able (Higher Attainers) News



Dear Parents and pupils,

Please note the latest term above to be used to designate our brightest pupils.

Here's our latest news:

### **St.George's Medical School summer school**

Congratulations to Destiny Montague 9M who got a place on this highly competitive London wide programme for young medics.

### **UCL (University College London)**

Well done to Ida Saidy, 9K , who was chosen for this special mentoring programme sponsored by the Sutton Trust.

### **Sir George Monoux College, 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2017**

Ms Dempsey took 20 year 9 pupils to this event. It was to help them think about "A" levels and planning for careers and the future. Pupils and staff enjoyed the event very much.

*I now have a rough idea of what I want to be in the future -*

Sehrish Mahmood 9C

*I learnt a lot about college life and courses - Sarthak Sharma 9C*

*I learnt about History 'A' level - Alessia Lacanu 9M*

*I was able to get an insight into what studying A levels and BTECs at college is like, and the wide variety of courses the college offers. - Eemaan Chaudhry 9M*

### **Oxford University , 24<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

St.Peter's College Oxford hosted 10 of our highest achieving year 10 pupils and also from Willowfield and Walthamstow Girls, at very short notice last week. Pupils took part in a fantastic chemistry session and I was amazed that our pupils knew what to do with some intimidating equipment and equations. We had lunch in the hall and in the afternoon took part in a lesson on Anglo saxon poetry. Kelmscott quickly began to analyse the metaphorical language, (well done Radwan and Liya for their contributions.) It was a shame we couldn't meet some students,(on holiday already) but our guide Dan was a great contact who wants to do more work with the school.

*I liked the idea of the one to one tutorial system - Ana Ungureanu*

*I think I have a fondness for Anglo saxon - Aqiff Khairuddin*

*The college was clean and well-organised - Jude Holding*

*Jude liked his lunch - Aqiff*

*I learnt some chemistry that I can take back to Kelmscott - Zhi Fa Lin*

*The chemistry experience was hands-on and included everyone - Liya Mondin*



### **Higher Attainers News**

We are delighted to report that Destiny Montague Year 9 has got a place at St George's Medical School this summer. This is an exceptionally competitive programme, so well done to her.

Many thanks to the teacher who wrote the reference,

**Yvette Marsh-Feiley**



## My day with Year 6

*During the visit from St-Saviours students, I used my computing skills to create various games on the website <https://scratch.mit.edu>. We created four games in total;*

- Bust the balloon*
- Paddle*
- Frog Fun*
- Catch the birdy*

*We followed many instructions on how to create these games, and in the end, the games were fully functional and really fun to play. Most of the instructions were easy to follow and others not so much.*

*The student I was put with was a boy called Mario. He knew how to create many scripts and games on scratch so he could easily create the games.*

*After completing the games, Mr. Taylor showed us how to create different patterns and shapes.*

*In conclusion, today was fun and exiting.*

*-By Aisling 7k*

## My Day With Year 6

During the visit from St. Saviours I met a boy called Kirthikraj. I taught him how to make various games in Scratch and we made 4 different types of games. He already knew most of the settings in Scratch so I just helped him on bits that he was stuck on. One of the games was about popping balloons, the second was about ping pong, the 3<sup>rd</sup> was about a frog and trying to make him eat the bugs. The last game we made was about making a sprite and making him jump when the bird came around to earn points.

By Erjon

## My day with Year 6

Today I worked with Year 6's from St Saviours Primary School. I taught them many new things about algorithms and making new variables.

It was a fun experience getting to know people from another and teaching them interesting things. I thought it was a good idea of joining up and working together.

When it was time for lunch I had a packed lunch and so did my friends. I also sat with some Year 6's and got to know them.

Personally I thought it was really enjoyable and the best time I have had in Kelmscott school!

By Ruqayya





# Social Media News

It has come to our attention that there is a trending website called Omegle. Pupils are accessing the site outside school hours without taking into account risks that may come with it.

This website was created by an 18 year old and is a free online chat website that allows users to socialise with others without the need to register. The service randomly pairs users in one-on-one chat sessions where they chat anonymously to each other. There is also a video option which allows users to video-chat with little monitoring.

## **What is Omegle?**

Omegle is a website and social media platform whereby individuals can speak to strangers online. Omegle promotes the fact that it is “a great way to meet new friends”, the website states that “we pick someone else at random and let you talk one to one”. This can include video chat (or webcam) as well as text. Users don’t have to create an account, they can simply go to the website and click “start a chat” where they will immediately be put into a chat conversation with a complete stranger.

## **What are the risks?**

Omegle states that “chats are anonymous unless you tell someone who you are...and you can stop a chat at any time”. Omegle also states on its website that it is not to be used for anyone under the age of 13 and if you’re under 18 you must use the website with a parent or guardian’s permission. Omegle also warns its users not to “transmit nudity, sexually harass anyone, publicize other peoples’ private information” etc. As with many social media platforms, Omegle is trusting its users are abiding by the guidance they have set out. The risks around Omegle are that young people under the age of 18 can quickly and easily connect online with strangers and can be groomed and/or coerced into doing sexual things which could be videoed.

## **What do we know about Omegle and how it has been used?**

Locally, Omegle has been named in two live investigations around child sexual exploitation. In one case young people were contacted by a known paedophile on the website and groomed. Of course, Omegle is not the only online platform to be named in investigations around child sexual exploitation, however it appears to be an emerging trend in how young people have been victimised.

## **What should I do if a child tells me they are using Omegle?**

Just because a child has used or is using the website, it doesn’t mean they are being sexually exploited. However it would be good practice to try and gather some more information from the child about their experiences on the website e.g. have they ever been made to do or say anything that they didn’t want to do? Have they sent any personal information about themselves or anyone else to the person(s) online e.g. name, age, address or pictures? Are their parents aware that they are using the website? Have they ever met anyone in person, or are they planning to do so, who they have been chatting to online?

Depending on how the child responds to these questions you may need to take further action to safeguard the child, such as making a referral into the multi agency safeguarding hub (MASH) or notifying the police.



# Careers

## Major Keys Challenge

Our Year 11 pupils took part in the Major Keys Challenge, which is an exciting industry opportunity to engage with young people through creative mediums.

Thanks to Big Creative, our pupils were able to learn a new skill, develop confidence, self-

esteem and interpersonal skills as well as improve their employability skills. Pupils were also lucky enough to meet with multi-instrumentalist, songwriter and producer *Renell Shaw*.

*A huge thank you to Big Creative Education and all their hard work this term.*

**Ms Mehmet**

*Head of Careers Education*



## National Careers Week

*In support of National Careers Week, a group of year 11 pupils attended the Walthamstow Job Centre Plus Apprenticeship Fair to help prepare for their life after Kelmscott.*



## Life Works Group

### *"Believe and you will Achieve"*

*Our Year 9, 10 and 11 pupils have been working with the Life Works group this term. The aim has been to help and empower pupils to make, meet and exceed personal and professional goals - including excelling in studies, exploring the self and the world, and achieving their ambitions.*

## Year 8 Police Workshop

A sincere thanks to PC Rakesh Samplay, PC Stuart Reid and PC John Thornton, for the fantastic activity programme they provided us with. The team building and communication activities were excellent, encouraging the pupils to develop better listening skills, work with others they may not normally work with and to co-operate with each other.

Ms Mehmet

Head of Year 8



## *#Attitude.Creates.Transformation*

*A big thank you to Ali who has come in and worked with our pupils.*

**Ms Mehmet**

*Head of Careers Education*

# Professional Women's Day 2017

On Thursday 23rd March 2017 Kelmscott School held its annual Professional Women's Day 2017. The aim of the day was to demonstrate the scope of opportunities available to our girls and encourage them to aspire to professional careers by meeting successful and professional women from a wide range of industries and organisations.

Each pupil had 4 minutes with each professional, which followed a "speed mentoring style" with pupils rotating between each guest every 4 minutes.

Kelmscott School comes 5th out of the 16 secondary schools in Waltham Forest for progress and is top 5% nationally, we believe in putting learning first, both in the classroom and also in preparing pupils for life after Kelmscott. Our girls are positive, enthusiastic and very ambitious and the event served as an incredible opportunity for them to meet with successful women and learn about different career paths available to them.

Thank you to all our guests who gave their own time to support the event

**Sefika Mehmet**

Head of Careers Education



## **Thank you to Remedy Recruitment Group**

The staff at Kelmscott would like to thank Remedy Education for the kind donation of a microwave oven for use in the staffroom. Waiting times for hot food and drink have been cut, particularly at lunch time. It is particularly appreciated by staff that do duties or extra-curricular activities.



# International Women's Day



'For International Women's Day, Kelmscott students showed support for women around the world by dressing in purple, white and green with some taking a step further and openly declaring their support to improve women's education, and stand up against conflict with messages to the rest of the world. A few talented students put in great effort to set up a bake sale with home-made treats all in support of the campaign too. Some of the money raised will be going towards a local charity, Haven, who support victims of childhood and current sexual abuse, gang sexual abuse, rape, female genital mutilation (FGM) and domestic





# We have a new school Literacy website

**[www.kelmscottschoolliteracy.co.uk](http://www.kelmscottschoolliteracy.co.uk)**

**The website contains information for  
parents and students on how to  
develop your literacy skills.**

**You will find book reviews,  
reading suggestions, competitions,  
English lesson book lists, gallery of  
students work, Latin titles, resources  
to download and much more.**

