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Gladesmore KS3 Students Visit Prestigious Eton College



On Tuesday 28th April, as part of our ongoing reading reward scheme, some of our most avid Key Stage 3 readers (KS3) had the unique opportunity of visiting the prestigious Eton College in Windsor.

It was a beautiful sunny day and the students enjoyed a walk in scenic Windsor.

Whilst at Eton our students learnt about and enjoyed a session of 'Eton Fives', a handball game played in a three-sided court, usually by two teams of two players. This was followed by a tour of the grounds and a self-leadership lesson in which Gladesmore students spoke about their leadership skills and ambitions for the future.

The day ended with praise for Gladesmore students who demonstrated the REACH values throughout the day.



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REACH
ACHIEVE
respect | enthusiasm | aspiration
cooperation | hard work

COMING SOON

Gladesmore's International Culture & Diversity Day

We will be celebrating our third annual International Culture & Diversity Day during next half term.

Look out for a full write up in our next edition!



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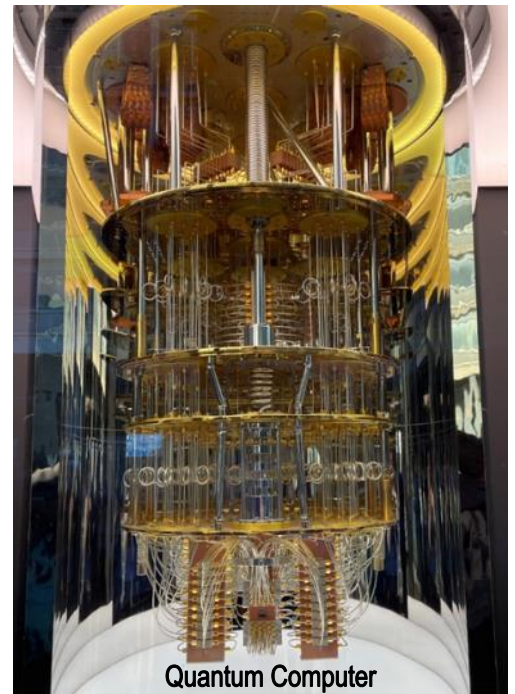
Year 11 Computer Science Students Visit IBM SkillsBuild at Waterloo

Our Year 11 Computer Science students recently had the exciting opportunity to visit IBM's Innovation Studio in Waterloo as part of the IBM SkillsBuild programme. IBM, a global leader in technology and innovation, is known for pioneering work in artificial intelligence, quantum computing, and cloud solutions.



View from IBM Waterloo

Students explored a range of cutting-edge technologies through hands-on experiences. Highlights included interacting with Spot the Robot from Boston Dynamics and the immersive Mayflower Experience, which showcased how autonomous ships are being used to tackle environmental challenges. The students also took part in an interactive Agile workshop, where they worked in teams to complete fast-paced, problem-solving challenges, followed by a career Q&A session with IBM's Early Professionals, giving students the chance to ask questions and hear first-hand about different career pathways, apprenticeships, and life working at a global tech company.



Quantum Computer

Our students were incredibly grateful for this unforgettable experience, which left many inspired about their future in technology. One student shared, *"It was an incredible experience... the entire facility was spotless and professional, and the atmosphere among the employees was so positive and inspiring."* Another said, *"It was fascinating to see how computer science applies in the real world. The trip exceeded my expectations."*



'Spot' the Robot



The event was made even more special as it was hosted by a former Gladesmore student, Kasheef McLennon, to whom we extend our sincere thanks for making the visit possible.

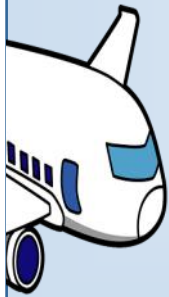
ATTENDANCE, UNAUTHORISED ABSENCES & SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

There is a very clear link between good attendance at school and good educational outcomes. Every day in school counts towards your child's future, so excellent school attendance is very important.

Haringey Council issue penalty fines to parents/carers whose children have unauthorised absences from school. An example of an unauthorised absence may be going on holiday during term time. For more information please go to:

<https://haringey.gov.uk/schools-learning/schools/children-missing-school/school-attendance-absence/taking-time-off-school-without-permission#:~:text=Unauthorised%20absences%20may%20mean%3A,to%20%C2%A32%2C500%20per%20child>

Dates for the coming terms are shown on the back page of this edition of the Gladesmore Post. When planning any travel please make sure that your trip begins during the school holiday and that your family returns to the UK in time for your child to attend school at the beginning of term.



We hope everyone has an enjoyable and safe break. We always look forward to seeing all our students refreshed and ready to learn at the beginning of next half term.

To help you with your summer travel plans, the first day of the summer holiday is ...

Friday 18th July 2025

First day of school for...

Years 7 & 11 is Wednesday 3rd September 2025 and for...

Year's 8, 9 & 10 it is Thursday 4th September 2025

May Half Term Fun

Play, learn and enjoy
May half term 2025

Join us for fun activities and make new friends.

Visit haringey.gov.uk/holidayfun to find the perfect activity for you!

Don't miss out - your adventure starts here!

Haringey has lots of free and low cost activities for a variety of children and young people during half term.

To download a pdf of the 'Play, learn and enjoy' brochure go to :

<https://haringey.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2025-05/holiday-fun-booklet-may-2025.pdf>

For most of the activities, children and young people can just turn up on the day, but for some they will need to register in advance. Contact details and information about booking are shown in the pdf.

Key Steps students ~ Helping to celebrate 'Stephen Lawrence Day' 2025



On Wednesday 23rd April, a group of Year 7, 8 and 9 Key Steps students took part in a workshop delivered by Haringey Youth Service (HYS) which celebrated the life of Stephen Lawrence who was brutally murdered in 1993 in a racist attack, aged only 19 years old.

'Stephen Lawrence Day' is on the 22nd April every year. It was started in 2019 by the Stephen Lawrence Foundation and the UK Government to honour Stephen's life and legacy, as well as to remind us all to stand up against racism. The day aims to encourage young people to dream big like Stephen did and to create a fairer, more inclusive society. People tend to mark the day through school activities, workshops, art, discussions and community events.



This year, HYS decided to create a large canvas art piece that featured a recognisable image of Stephen centrally around which would be written positive messages, affirmations and statements. The canvas toured different educational sites, giving many young people the opportunity to add their ideas to the project. It was a privilege for Gladesmore to be selected as one of the schools to take part and celebrate this day.

The students were extremely enthusiastic about being involved, whilst remembering to show empathy.



On Thursday 15th May, the final piece was showcased to the public, including Stephen's family and council leaders at 'Haringey Youth Services' mobile youth hub. It was an great event that many attended, showing appreciation for the work put into the project. HYS are very proud of the canvas produced.

Following this event, HYS plan to take the canvas around the borough into as many schools as possible so that it can be displayed on their site for a week to help further promote the awareness of the project and the legacy and life of Stephen Lawrence.

REACH Assembly Up~Date

Have you found your Ikigai?

あなたは自分の生きがいを見つけましたか？

Anata wa jibun no ikigai o mitsukemashita ka?

This is the question that was asked of everyone in our Hard work assembly this half term. Ikigai is a Japanese word which means 'Reason for Being'. What is it that gets you out of bed each morning, what is your motivation in life.

The four ingredients of Ikigai are:



- Your **PASSION** ~ what you love
- Your **TALENT** ~ what you are good at
- Your **PROFESSION** ~ what you can be paid for
- Your **VOCATION** ~ what the world needs

It is not very often that we are asked to think about these four aspects of our lives, for most of us it's usually when we are applying for a place at college or a job that we stop and really consider the things we are good at and like doing.

By knowing what you enjoy and what brings you joy, you can look around to find the college that will offer that choice of subjects or, the workplace that will give you your dream job!

Mr Cato and Mr Aibangbee shared with us their Ikigai which highlighted their many varied interests which brought them both to Gladesmore to be amazing teachers.



A key feature of the assembly was that hard work does not have to be laborious or boring and dull. If you have found your Ikigai then you are living your passion using your talent and providing positively to society. Knowing that you are making a positive contribution will make you happy and make the hard work seem less hard!

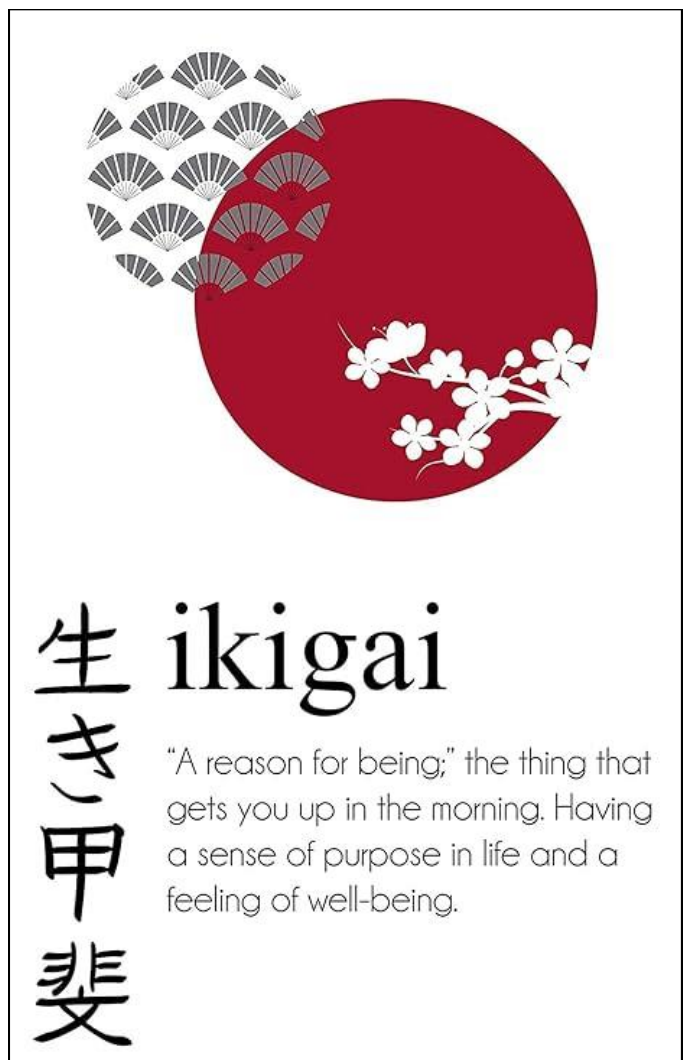
We had the pleasure of listening to some amazing musicians who demonstrated how their hard work and commitment to their music practise has paid off.

Thank you and well done to Myka in Year 8 and Huyana in Year 7 who played the piano, Kymaani in Year 7 who played the violin and Elsa in Year 10 who also played the piano.

At the end of the assembly students were invited to enter the Hard Work competition where they had to guess which subjects had described what hard work looks like for them. The first student from each year group that answered questions correctly by the deadline won a gift voucher.

Congratulations to the following students for winning this years competition:

- Anna G in Year 7
- Dehavione in Year 9
- Soul in Year 10



**We all have an Ikigai
inside us we just need
to focus on it.**





GCS Rewards & Jack Petchey Up~Date

The **Jack Petchey Achievement Award** programme is a prestigious initiative that recognises and celebrates the outstanding contributions, efforts, and achievements of young people across London and Essex. At Gladesmore, all staff and students have the opportunity to recommend a student for this award. The nominations are then anonymously reviewed by our Student Council representatives who make the final decision on the award winners.

The programme not only boosts students' confidence and motivation but also helps foster a culture of recognition and aspiration within the school community. Each award winner receives a certificate, a pin badge, and a financial grant of £300 to spend on something beneficial for the school or their peers—further reinforcing the values of leadership, service, and teamwork.

We are proud to recognise the following students who have received the **Jack Petchey Achievement Award** so far this academic year (since September 2024). Each of them has made a unique and meaningful contribution to our school community:

Jack Petchey Roll of Honour – 2024/25 Academic Year

Nevaeh 8BKY

Artem 7L

Ruth 10CCR

Aiden 7A

Zahra 8HSN

Zarine 9PEO

Savannah 10APR

There are still two opportunities to win the Jack Petchey Award for this year, so students are encouraged to nominate using the Special Recognition Form on the Student Portal. There is also the prestigious Leader Award which will be awarded to one member of staff before the end of this academic year.

All winners and their families will be invited to the Haringey Jack Petchey Awards Ceremony which will be held at Gladesmore on Thursday 10th July 2025.



Life beyond GCS ~ Post 16 Opportunities

CHRYSLIS EAST



LONDON ACADEMY
OF EXCELLENCE
TOTTENHAM

OPEN MORNING



THURSDAY 19TH JUNE
9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Lilywhite House,
780 High Rd, London, N17 0BX



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**INVITING ALL PARENTS
FROM LOCAL PRIMARY AND
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Could my child be a young carer?

Young carers are children and young people under the age of 18 who provide regular care for a family member or friend with a disability, long term illness, mental health illness or who has problems with drugs or alcohol. These people may struggle to cope without their young carers support. This care involves practical tasks, emotional support, or physical assistance. The definition of a young carer, as outlined in the Carers (Equal Opportunities) Act 2004, includes children and young people under 18 who provide or intend to provide a substantial amount of care on a regular basis.



Support for young carers and their families

It is estimated there were approximately 120,000 young unpaid carers in England. Many children/young people provide valuable support for a family member without realising that they are filling the role of a young carer. Please let the safeguarding team know if your child/young person is a young carer so we can support you moving forward.

Introducing 'Renaissance Foundation' (RF)

We are linked to the amazing charity organisation called 'Renaissance Foundation' (RF). The charity aims to bring hope to, and empower, young people in London facing difficulties. With a focus on creating moments of inspiration, opportunities to meet role models, and tailored personal development, Renaissance Foundation is committed to helping the next generation achieve their full potential. Over the years, RF have assisted hundreds of young carers and patients to pursue their dreams and overcome their personal challenges.

The Core Programme runs every week and helps young carers connect with each other. Activities include:

- Regular drop-in sessions at our youth hub in Aldgate where we have a PS5, Xbox, a mini music studio and there is always food!
- Talks from inspirational speakers
- Mentoring
- 1:1 support
- Quiet space at the Hub for doing homework ... & loads more!
- Exciting visits to inspirational venues in London and beyond

Renaissance Foundation will visit our students next half-term to present to all year groups. They will give your child an overview of a young carer, showcase their core programme and offer support!

For more information about Renaissance Foundation' please visit:
<https://www.renaissance-foundation.com/the-programme>

THE GCS SAFEGUARDING TEAM

The safeguarding of our children is our school's highest priority. Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children is everyone's responsibility at Gladesmore Community School.

Please do reach out if you are worried or in need of support. Children, parents, carers, we know that it can be challenging to come forwards when things are difficult, but please get in touch so that we can help.



Ms T. Marshall
Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mr Regisford
Safeguarding Officer & Assistant Head



Ms Cope
Safeguarding Officer



Ms Moaka
Safeguarding Officer

: safeguarding@gladesmore.com
or,
: 0208 800 0884



Wednesday 23rd July ~ Friday 8th August
8:45 am ~ 3:00 pm each day

This amazing programme will help the children familiarise themselves with the school and the amazing Gladesmore teachers.

Summer School promises to be an exciting and fun two and half weeks so make sure you register your child at the one to one meeting in June.

Remember that we would still love to see your child even if they can't attend every day.

We look forward to seeing your child soon.

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IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please note all dates and events are subject to change

- Monday 26th* ~ Friday 30th May Half Term Holiday (*26th May: Bank Holiday)
 - ? Tuesday 27th ~ Thursday 29th May Half Term Revision Classes
 - Monday 2nd June 8:35am ~ All Year Groups return to school
 - Monday 2nd ~ Friday 6th June GCSE Exams ~ Week 4
 - Sunset Friday 6th ~ Sunset Monday 9th June Eid al Adha (to be confirmed)
 - Monday 9th ~ Friday 13th June GCSE Exams ~ Week 5
 - Thursday 12th June 4.30 pm ~ Year 7 Parent/Carers Evening
 - Friday 13th June 9:30am start for students
 - Monday 16th ~ Friday 20th June Year 10 Trial Exams Week 1
GCSE Exams ~ Week 6
 - Friday 20th June Year 11 Graduation & Prom
Year 10 Exams
Key Stage 3 Activities Day 3
 - Monday 23rd ~ Friday 27th June Year 10 Trial Exams Week 2
 - Thursday 26th June Teacher Training Day 4
Year 9 Transition Day
Year 10 Trial Exams
Year 9 attendance by appointment. Timetable suspended for Years 7 & 8
 - Monday 30th June ~ Friday 4th July Hard Work Week
 - Monday 30th June Year 6 Parents Induction Evening
 - Tuesday 1st July 5:00pm ~ Parent Teacher Association (PTA) 4 (to be confirmed)
 - Thursday 3rd July Year 10 Geography Field Trip 1
Year 6 Induction Day 1
 - Friday 4th July Year 10 Geography Field Trip 2
Year 6 Induction Day 2
 - Saturday 5th July 8:30am ~ 1pm Year 6 Saturday Transition School Taster 1
8:30am ~ 1pm; snacks will be on sale at break and there will be a free hot lunch
 - Friday 11th July Sports Day
 - Saturday 12th July Year 6 Saturday Transition School Taster 2
8:30am ~ 1pm; snacks will be on sale at break and there will be a free hot lunch
 - Wednesday 16th July GladeSt★r Assembly
Day ends at midday, lunch is available in the Glade Diner
 - Thursday 17th July* Year 9 Graduation & Disco
Year 10 Experience of Work Day
Activities Day 4 ~ end of year trips
Timetable suspended for Years 7, 8 & 10 students not involved in the above events
* This is the last day of school for students this academic year
 - Friday 18th July Teacher Training Day 5
Timetable suspended for all year groups
 - Friday 18th July ~ Friday 29th August Summer Holiday
 - Thursday 21st August GCSE Exam Results Day
 - Wednesday 23rd July ~ Friday 8th August Year 6 in to Year 7 Transition Summer School
8:45am ~ 3:00pm, lunch provided
 - Thursday 21st August GCSE Exam Results Day
- The New Academic Year 2025 ~ 2026**
- Monday 1st & Tuesday 2nd September Teacher Training Days 1 & 2
Timetable suspended for all year groups
 - Wednesday 3rd September 8:35am: Year 7 Begin at Gladesmore
9:30am: Year 11 return
 - Thursday 4th September 8:35am: Years 8, 9 & 10 return
all year groups now in school

'REACH' HALL OF FAME Student of the Week 2024 ~ 2025

Congratulations to the following students:

24/04/25 Said Sajed Asghari, 8MSE

25/04/25 Alexia Stanciu, 10PME

01/05/25 Nicole Barbu, 8FPS

08/05/25 Norshae Lin, 7R

09/05/25 Jazmin Zambrano Reinoso, 9VMY

15/05/25 Princess Amponsah, 8RLE

16/05/25 Elsa Qiu, 10TLE

