



Eden Boys

Principal's Newsletter
July 2017



As the school year draws to a close, staff and pupils can look back on a year that has been busier than ever. We began with the move into our newly refurbished building and were delighted to support pupils and staff at Olive Primary School by co-sharing our building. As the Olive School left to occupy their temporary accommodation, our fantastic Estates Team began the process of transforming the classrooms back to the art and computing suite and whole school library. We cannot wait to see these areas of the school fully operational in September 2017.

All our staff continue to be committed to achieving excellence for all our boys. Through their dedication and determination your son's have achieved and experienced so much. Visits have taken place to a number of sporting venues, universities and museums. Pupils have participated in football and cricket teams and, more recently, staff took a group of pupils to the cultural city of Barcelona; our first overseas excursion as a school.

Our boys continue to be inspired to raise money for worthy causes. Our charities group have so many ideas they want to roll out for the coming academic year including a repeat of our very successful MacMillan Coffee Morning and a shoe box appeal. As staff, we were humbled by the generosity of pupils and you as parents during the Ramadan Appeal. We raised over £9000; an incredible achievement.

As Principal, I have spent a significant amount of time with my leadership team recruiting staff to the school. As a growing school, we will continue to need new teachers and associate staff as more pupils join our school. From September, we will have grown to almost 400 pupils and in early July, we as staff, had the opportunity to meet our new Year 7 pupils for the first time. We thoroughly enjoyed having them here and seeing them take part in a whole range of activities including team building, science experiments and writing a poem. They did themselves proud.

I would like to thank everyone; the pupils, the staff, our committed team of governors, the Trust and you as parents for all the hard work and support you give in ensuring the school continues to grow and flourish. Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to wish staff, pupils and their families a happy, restful and safe summer break. I look forward to seeing you all in September, fully refreshed for the challenges of the new school year.

Miss A. Middlemass
Principal

Visit

The school participated in its first international trip with pupils earlier this term. A total of 25 pupils ventured to Barcelona, in Spain, for a four day excursion which involved a variety of activities that enabled them to enhance their understanding of European culture and Spanish life. Pupils from Year 8 and Year 9 embraced life as European citizens and tasted the culture and ambience of the modern metropolis which is Barcelona. If they weren't spending time on Las Ramblas or sat on Barcelona beach, they were marvelling at the splendour of the amazing Sagrada Familia Cathedral. For many of the pupils, this was the first time they were away from home without their families. The experiences they received gave them an opportunity to be more independent, build lasting relationships with the rest of the group and to be seen in a more informal environment by their teachers. The school will be enhancing its provision for European trips and beyond in coming years. We will keep all parents updated of such opportunities in future newsletters.

Here, our boys reflect upon their time in the city:



Camp Nou

"We were 27 of the 49825 people that attended this fantastic game of football between Man U legends and Barca legends (3-1)."

"Camp Nou, the Barcelona Stadium, was a great place, especially when we watched the football match where the legends of Manchester United and Barcelona played each other. There were many great players like Rivaldo and Ronaldhino. The atmosphere was amazing and everyone was very lively. It was an amazing time."

"I was already impressed on the morning I visited the Camp Nou, but it was even more impressive when we went to watch the game. The best part of it was that it wasn't planned initially; we were lucky to have this opportunity and it didn't disappoint. I was so happy to see United win."

"Watching the game was exciting and fun. It was a nice moment with friends."

to Barcelona



La Sagrada Familia



No picture you will see can give you an idea of how majestic “la Sagrada Familia” is. La Sagrada Familia is an absolutely breathtaking basilica located in Barcelona, Spain. The architect behind this gem, which is still not completed, is none other than Antoni Gaudí.

It was hard for our pupils to find the words to describe it.

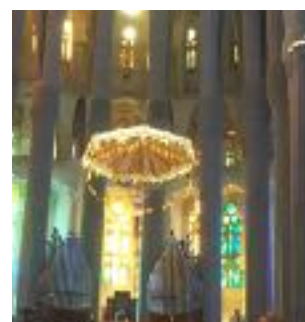
“I felt like I was in the biggest place in the world. I felt so small. It was astonishing!”

“It is the biggest church I have ever seen and there is still ongoing work. It is beautifully decorated and we learnt many things when we visited it. It was a great feeling to be there and I hope that one day I can see it again.”

“The cathedral is very big when you go into it; you feel really different. You feel small.”

“How I felt in la Sagrada Familia was unbelievable. It was a good experience to see what a christian place of worship looks like. I never saw a church that big.”

“I felt happy to see something I never saw before. It was mesmerising because I have never seen such a big cathedral in my life. It was surprising that the atmosphere inside was calm despite the number of people.”



UK Maths Challenge



We are pleased to announce that the boys in year 7 and 8 who took part in the Junior Maths Challenge did really well. The qualifying scores for each certificate were:

BRONZE 52-62

SILVER 63-76

GOLD 77+

15 pupils were awarded with the Bronze award

- Aadil Mallam
- Omar Mady
- Faris Anwaar
- Raihan Hoque
- Muhammad Member
- Mustafa Nakhooda
- Mohammed Mehmood
- Abdur Rehman Bhula
- Rawaha Ibrahim
- Hasanat Khan
- Rafee Chowdhury
- Faizan Moosa
- Saad Khan
- Shakeel Suleman
- Talhah Umar

6 pupils were awarded with the Silver award

- Zain Hashmi
- Talha Bhuta
- Muhammed Toorawa
- Ebrahim Gangat
- Ali Ahmad
- Yusuf Bapu

4 pupils were awarded with the Gold award

- Qasim Kazi
- Al-Haaj Shaikh
- Sakil Patel
- HAMzah Nakhuda

A score of 86 or more was needed to progress onto the next round of the challenge – the Kangaroo Challenge.

Well done to Sakil Patel in Year 8 who qualified for the Kangaroo challenge with a score of 90 marks. Sakil also did well in the Kangaroo challenge but did not quite make it to the next round.



Charity



One of the greatest aspects of being a student at Eden Boys' School is the opportunity to undertake work to help the wider community. The school embarked on a major fundraising campaign to support those less fortunate than themselves during the month of Ramadan. It is with great pleasure that the school can announce that over £9000 was raised by its families during this blessed month. This is an amazing feat for a school that is so small. If this is where the standard of community service and community support is, the pupils, staff and parents have certainly raised the bar very high. The trick now is to ensure that we go from strength to strength and better this next year. Well done to everyone that supported this worthwhile cause.

English Department visit



Y9 pupils stepped back into the 19th century to explore the streets of Manchester. Lark Hill Place offered the pupils an exciting opportunity to see how the Victorians lived. We walked on the cobble stones to visit the sweet shop, the blacksmiths and the Victorian toy shops. The street was dark and dingy, much like the situation of the poor in Victorian England. The visit allowed the pupils to experience and empathise with working class Victorian society and showed first-hand the social divide that was prominent during the period.

We also took a tour around the art gallery which hosted a number of pieces of art demonstrating life in Victorian London; and to take things a step further, the pupils were taught how to wash their own clothes – yes that's right! Pupils took part in a workshop which demonstrated how the Victorians washed their clothing without washing machines.

We will link this learning to our GCSE unit of study: A Christmas Carol.

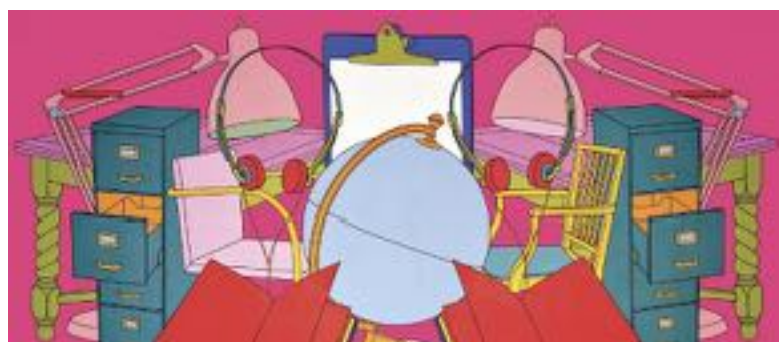
FUTURISM



A vibrant, hand-drawn collage of various school supplies. The central element is a large green fan with a blue handle. To its left is a blue and dark blue bottle. Below the bottle is a green pencil sharpener. To the right of the fan is a yellow eraser and a green ruler. Various pens and pencils are scattered around the items. The entire collage is set against a white background with a faint, light blue grid pattern.

MICHAEL CRAIG MARTIN

A collection of school supplies including a ruler, pencils, a protractor, a compass, a sharpener, a pencil case, a backpack, a globe, and a pair of glasses, all drawn in a colorful, textured style on an orange background.



Faculty News



The move from teaching ICT to Computing in schools continues to develop and here at Eden Boys' Preston we are keen to ensure that we are providing our boys with the best, and most appropriate curriculum for them. With that in mind, we have reshaped our curriculum to offer a number of pathways leading to robust qualifications.

Our Year 8 pupils will be following the OCR Entry Level Computing course that will ensure that they cover all of the content from the National Curriculum Programme of Study. This qualification is very closely linked to

the GCSE in Computer Science and will give pupils an excellent grounding should they progress onto the GCSE course in Year 9. For some pupils, a less academic and more practical qualification will suit them better and these pupils will instead progress on to a BTEC qualification.

Our new Year 7 pupils will be following a brand new course which gives them a hands-on understanding of the key concepts of Computing through the use of the BBC Microbit. For our year 9 pupils, who were all provided with a Microbit in Year 7, we will be running lunchtime activities where they too can develop their coding skills. Most of the teaching of Computing will take place in our new computer room as shown on page 17.

Religious Education

Our pupils at Eden Boys will be taking their GCSE exams in RE next year. It has been both a challenging and rewarding year for pupils in Year 9 who have worked tirelessly throughout the year in preparation for their exam. Pupils have explored a wide range of topics such as crime and punishment, war and conflict and religious attitudes. Currently, the boys are learning about attitudes to wealth and poverty and analysing some of Jesus' parables including the one about a camel trying to go through the eye of a needle. The RE curriculum gives pupils the opportunity to discuss modern day issues and engage in debate with their peers. They also have the opportunity to explore diverse religions and will be taking a trip to places of worship to compliment this.

Pupils in Year 8 and Year 7 have similarly explored a wide range of topics. Pupils have learned about conflict and ways to deal with conflict, with examples from history such as Martin Luther King. Year 7 explored inspirational leaders including the Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) with a focus on hadith and inspirational stories such as 'The Sour Grapes' and 'The Journey to Taif'. As our STAR value of Respect, our boys are taught to practise what they learn. As one pupil wrote:

"I think the Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) is fair because one of his hadiths are that "women are the twin halves of men." From this he is trying to say that all genders are equal. We can put this into our lives if we care for our mothers and sisters."

We asked our pupils across all year groups what they thought about RE and this is what they had to say:

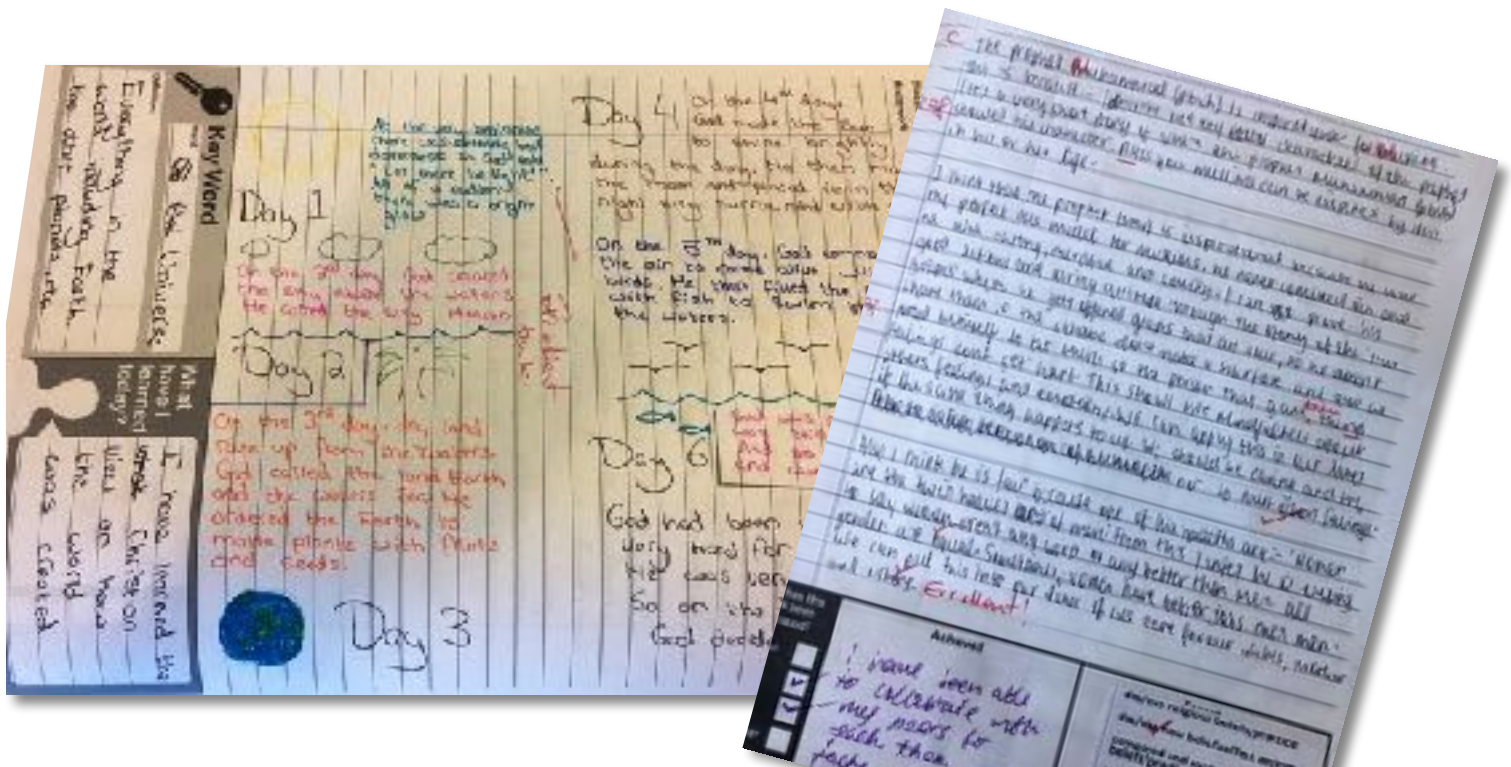
"RE has been extremely interesting as the topics were new and we have covered a lot this year. My favourite topic was crime and punishment." (Haydar Abdullah)



"This year in RE, I have had a great experience. We have done a lot of group work which has motivated me to participate in the lesson. It is nice to see what different religions believe with a combination of written work and whole class discussion. This year, RE has been a lesson I look forward to. (Muhammad Jogiyat)

"This year RE has been very interesting with lots of different topics studied. I enjoyed learning about different religious festivals." (Zaid Bagia)

"It is interesting to learn about different religions. RE this has been very exciting as there is so much to learn in this subject." (Abdullah Patel)



Eden Boys visit Oxford

Twenty Y9 pupils from Eden Boys' Preston were invited to visit one of the most prestigious universities in the UK: The University of Oxford. The visit aimed to raise the ambitions and aspirations of the pupils.

Pupils travelled to a breathtakingly beautiful city which showcased its stone architecture leading to its name 'City of Dreaming Spires.' On arrival into Oxford, we were mesmerised by its beauty and the University was no different. Home to several colleges all handsomely crafted, it was a true honour to be in such a magical setting. One which hosts the dining hall of 'Harry Potter'!

The pupils left their footprints on the grounds of Oxford, with a guided tour which included the historic library, the student halls, and the University garden amongst other key locations.

Pupils were also invited to lunch with current under graduate pupils whom they could fire burning higher education questions to. The session included some key information on how life at university may be different to school and college – hopefully preparing pupils for what is an exciting journey.



Stars of the Week – 28/04/2017

| Pupil Name | Form Group | Net Conduct Points |
|------------------|------------|--------------------|
| Fahad Almatrouji | 3F | 4 |
| Abdullah Dabbab | 9M | 4 |
| Cresh Iqbal | 9A | 2 |
| Said Elahi | 8 | 1 |
| Fahad Almatrouji | 10M | 4 |
| Abd Alaziz Khan | 8M | 4 |
| Adnan Jali | 8M | 4 |
| Qasim Tariq | 7 | 4 |
| M. Saad Faleh | 10M | 4 |
| Samir Abd Alaziz | 7A | 2 |
| Fahad Iqbal | 7A | 4 |
| M. Saad | 9L | 4 |

Stars of the Week – 12/05/2017

| Pupil Name | Form Group | Net Conduct Points |
|---------------------|------------|--------------------|
| Samir Waqar | 3F | 13 |
| Azad Mohammed | 9M | 13 |
| Umar Farid Khan | 9A | 12 |
| Fahad Almatrouji | 8 | 13 |
| Fahad Almatrouji | 10M | 8 |
| Samir Waqar | 8M | 8 |
| Adnan Jali | 8M | 8 |
| Mohammed Desmaister | 7 | 16 |
| Qasim Tariq | 10M | 9 |
| M. Saad Faleh | 7A | 13 |
| Isaac Patel | 7A | 12 |
| Fahad Waqar | 9L | 16 |

Stars of the Week – 05/05/2017

| Pupil Name | Form Group | Net Conduct Points |
|---------------------|------------|--------------------|
| Qasim Tariq | 3F | 4 |
| Adnan Jali | 9M | 8 |
| Qasim Tariq | 9A | 16 |
| Mohammed Desmaister | 8 | 13 |
| Said Faleh | 10M | 16 |
| Fahad Waqar | 8M | 16 |
| Mohammed Desmaister | 8M | 14 |
| Azad Abbas | 7 | 12 |
| Cresh Iqbal | 10M | 9 |
| Isaac Patel | 7A | 15 |
| M. Saad Faleh | 7A | 16 |
| Samir Waqar | 9L | 13 |

Stars of the Week – 19/05/2017

| Pupil Name | Form Group | Net Conduct Points |
|----------------------|------------|--------------------|
| Muazz Kazi | 3F | 16 |
| Azad Abbas | 9M | 13 |
| Mohammed Iqbal Patel | 9A | 8 |
| Azad Abbas | 8 | 9 |
| Mohammed Iqbal Patel | 10M | 16 |
| Muazz Kazi | 8M | 12 |
| Adnan Jali | 8M | 4 |
| Qasim Tariq | 7 | 12 |
| Qasim Tariq | 10M | 16 |
| Fahad Waqar | 7A | 12 |
| Isaac Patel | 7A | 12 |
| Samir Waqar | 9L | 13 |

week

At the end of a fantastic year it is important to recognise those boys who have shown exemplary conduct in and around school. Many of these boys consistently demonstrate excellence week after week, while others have made a great effort to improve upon their conduct in school and show what they are capable of when they put their minds to it.

Each week we recognise those boys who have achieved the most net conduct points in each form group by awarding them with a certificate in Friday's assembly. Well done to all of our Star Eden Boys' this term – keep it up for next year!

Stars of the Week – 06/06/2017

| Pupil Name | Form Group | Net Conduct Points |
|---------------------|------------|--------------------|
| Fahad Almatrouji | 3F | 8 |
| Azad Abbas | 9M | 4 |
| Qasim Tariq | 9A | 12 |
| M. Saad Faleh | 8 | 8 |
| Fahad Almatrouji | 10M | 18 |
| M. Saad Faleh | 8M | 13 |
| M. Saad Faleh | 8M | 17 |
| Mohammed Desmaister | 7 | 12 |
| Qasim Tariq | 10M | 14 |
| M. Saad Faleh | 7A | 18 |
| Isaac Patel | 7A | 16 |
| Samir Waqar | 9L | 14 |

Stars of the Week – 23/06/2017

| Pupil Name | Form Group | Net Conduct Points |
|---------------------|------------|--------------------|
| Samir Waqar | 3F | 14 |
| Azad Abbas | 9M | 14 |
| Mohammed Desmaister | 9A | 12 |
| Fahad Almatrouji | 8 | 4 |
| M. Saad Faleh | 10M | 16 |
| Mohammed Desmaister | 8M | 12 |
| Qasim Tariq | 8M | 4 |
| M. Saad Faleh | 7 | 12 |
| Azad Abbas | 10M | 12 |
| Mohammed Desmaister | 7A | 12 |
| M. Saad Faleh | 7A | 18 |
| Samir Waqar | 9L | 15 |

Stars of the Week – 07/07/2017

| Pupil Name | Form Group | Net Conduct Points |
|---------------------|------------|--------------------|
| Adnan Jali | 3F | 3 |
| Mohammed Desmaister | 9M | 3 |
| Mohammed Desmaister | 9A | 13 |
| Qasim Tariq | 8 | 7 |
| Fahad Almatrouji | 10M | 18 |
| Qasim Tariq | 8M | 14 |
| Qasim Tariq | 8M | 9 |
| Qasim Tariq | 7 | 8 |
| M. Saad Faleh | 10M | 8 |
| Azad Abbas | 7A | 16 |
| Azad Abbas | 7A | 12 |
| M. Saad Faleh | 9L | 16 |

Stars of the Week – 15/06/2017

| Pupil Name | Form Group | Net Conduct Points |
|---------------------|------------|--------------------|
| Adnan Jali | 3F | 13 |
| Fahad Almatrouji | 9M | 15 |
| Mohammed Desmaister | 9A | 13 |
| Mohammed Desmaister | 8 | 13 |
| Fahad Almatrouji | 10M | 8 |
| Qasim Tariq | 8M | 14 |
| M. Saad Faleh | 8M | 17 |
| Azad Abbas | 7 | 12 |
| Qasim Tariq | 10M | 8 |
| Qasim Tariq | 7A | 13 |
| Isaac Patel | 7A | 8 |
| Fahad Waqar | 9L | 14 |

Stars of the Week – 30/06/2017

| Pupil Name | Form Group | Net Conduct Points |
|---------------------|------------|--------------------|
| Samir Waqar | 3F | 8 |
| Azad Abbas | 9M | 8 |
| Qasim Tariq | 9A | 4 |
| Adnan Jali | 8 | 8 |
| Said Faleh | 10M | 14 |
| Qasim Tariq | 8M | 16 |
| M. Saad Faleh | 8M | 17 |
| Mohammed Desmaister | 7 | 9 |
| Qasim Tariq | 10M | 16 |
| Qasim Tariq | 7A | 13 |
| Isaac Patel | 7A | 16 |
| Fahad Waqar | 9L | 16 |

Stars of the Week – 11/07/2017

| Pupil Name | Form Group | Net Conduct Points |
|---------------------|------------|--------------------|
| Fahad Almatrouji | 3F | 14 |
| Azad Abbas | 9M | 9 |
| Cresh Iqbal | 9A | 8 |
| M. Saad Faleh | 8 | 8 |
| Fahad Almatrouji | 10M | 6 |
| Mohammed Desmaister | 8M | 9 |
| M. Saad Faleh | 8M | 4 |
| Adnan Jali | 7 | 16 |
| Adnan Jali | 10M | 8 |
| Qasim Tariq | 7A | 18 |
| Isaac Patel | 7A | 8 |
| Fahad Waqar | 9L | 8 |

Star of the

Spirituality



A Spiritual Beginning

We at Eden Boys' Preston spiritually enhance our character alongside our curriculum. We achieve this by taking part in spiritual activities lead by our dedicated staff. Below I will briefly explain one of the activities that take place every morning.

Each form is assigned a day to attend the assembly hall and begin their day by connecting with the Almighty. During this spiritual morning, pupils prayed their *Jahr gaza* (if missed) or prayed two *Nafl Rakaats* (Optional Prayer) then recited *surah Yaseen* and indulged in some individual *Zikr*. We completed the gathering by listening to advice given by our Head of Year to boost our understanding of the beautiful values of tolerance and respect we share today.

By Mohammed Umair Patel M

The Blessed Month

Having the privilege of experiencing a Ramadhan is massive. This is because Ramadhan comes once a year and we cannot guarantee we will live to experience another Ramadhan in our life.

To take advantage of the holy month of Ramadhan, we at Eden Boys' Preston collectively and individually had the privilege to enhance our spiritual character with the Almighty by taking in daily advice delivered by our wonderful staff. We also carried out a completion of the *Qur'an* on Friday mornings.

This enabled me to take full advantage of this spiritual month.

By Ibrahim Bhana FN

Once in a Lifetime

The end of a school year brings great joy to all throughout the country; the summer holidays provide an opportunity for all; to meet family, go on holidays and take that well-earned rest for working tirelessly.

However, this summer brings another element. Many people will be preparing to go on a journey of a lifetime; Hajj. The preparation for Hajj is quite spiritually uplifting as well as intense. Many aspects have to be considered such as; items to take, finances, family commitments, work etc. However, the preparation helps to prepare for the journey ahead.

For those who will be performing, there will be great reward, as well as a great sense of achievement upon returning.

Hajj provides many lessons for everyone; however, two are key. Firstly, it teaches about equality. Hajj is attended by people from all walks of life. You will see the rich and poor, male and female, young and old, people of different colour and race, dressed in the same attire and standing together.

Secondly, it teaches patience. Hajj draws millions of people from around the globe from different backgrounds and cultures. It shows the great diversity amongst people. However, this can be an opportunity

for tempers to flare and arguments over trivial matters, due to the differences. Hence, a person has to control their emotions and focus on the task ahead of them which is the pilgrimage. Hajj provides an opportunity to learn patience and how to exercise it in the most difficult of circumstances.

Let us build on the good deeds we did during Ramadhan by performing good deeds during these holy days. We wish you all a happy and blessed Eid. Eid Mubarak from all of us at Eden Boys' School.

Attendance

Due to the exams at the end of last half term, the current F1 tournament has been extended to stretch across the whole of the summer term, making the stakes higher than ever!

Back in May ,at the end of the last half term, Mr Bencherif's 9M were in the lead with 133 points, closely followed by Mr Ramsay's 9I with 109 points and Miss Dola's 8M in third place with 92 points. Let's see if Mr Bencherif's class have managed to maintain their lead.

The final points totals for the end of this term are in and we are delighted to announce that third place has been claimed by 8I (now captained by Ms Matadar). In a shock turn of events, 9I have managed to inch their way ahead of 9M in the very last week and have won by a hair! The points table below shows that 9I have scraped their way into first place with 210 points, leaving 9M in second place with 209 points.

We look forward to seeing you at next year's F1 attendance championships.

| Formula 1 Attendance Award | | | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------|------------------|------|--------|
| July 2017 | | | | |
| Overall Points Table (Week 39) | | | | |
| # | Country (Form) | Driver (LC Name) | Wins | Points |
| 1 | 9I | Mr Ramsay | 7 | 210 |
| 2 | 9M | Mr Bencherif | 5 | 209 |
| 3 | 8I | Mrs Matadar | 5 | 170 |
| 4 | 7A | Miss Asghar | 3 | 147 |
| 5 | 8M | Miss Dola | 3 | 145 |
| 6 | 7N | Mr Arif | 4 | 144 |
| 7 | 9A | Mr Witcher | 4 | 134 |
| 8 | 7I | Moulana Tufayl | 3 | 100 |
| 9 | 7E | Mrs Buxton | 1 | 97 |
| 9 | 7M | Mrs Kamal | 2 | 97 |
| 11 | 8N | Mr Sidat | 2 | 71 |
| 12 | 8A | Mr McGarry | 1 | 61 |

A big well done to all pupils at school who have managed to go the full academic year with 100% attendance so far. This is an amazing achievement for any child that can go 190 school days without having time off. The importance of excellent attendance cannot be underestimated. This is due to the amount of teaching and learning time that is lost by having days off. This can have an adverse affect on pupils with a big dip in their academic attainment. We congratulate all the pupils who managed this amazing milestone and would encourage parents to support the school next academic year in making sure that their sons achieve 100% attendance throughout the full year. Rewards and prizes will be given to all pupils who have managed this amazing feat. Well done to you all.

Leadership Opportunities

Central to our STAR values of Service, Teamwork, Ambition and Respect are the expectations we have of our young people to represent the school and demonstrate the leadership behaviours we would wish to see as they learn and grow into active and responsible citizens of the future.

Leadership means many different things to different people, and, in September, we are launching our Leadership Framework designed around three Leadership Characteristics that ensure pupils not only 'do their best' but also 'do the right thing' and play a full role in society.

These characteristics are:

- **Performance Leadership**
- **Moral Leadership**
- **Civic Leadership**

Nationally Accredited Leadership Qualification

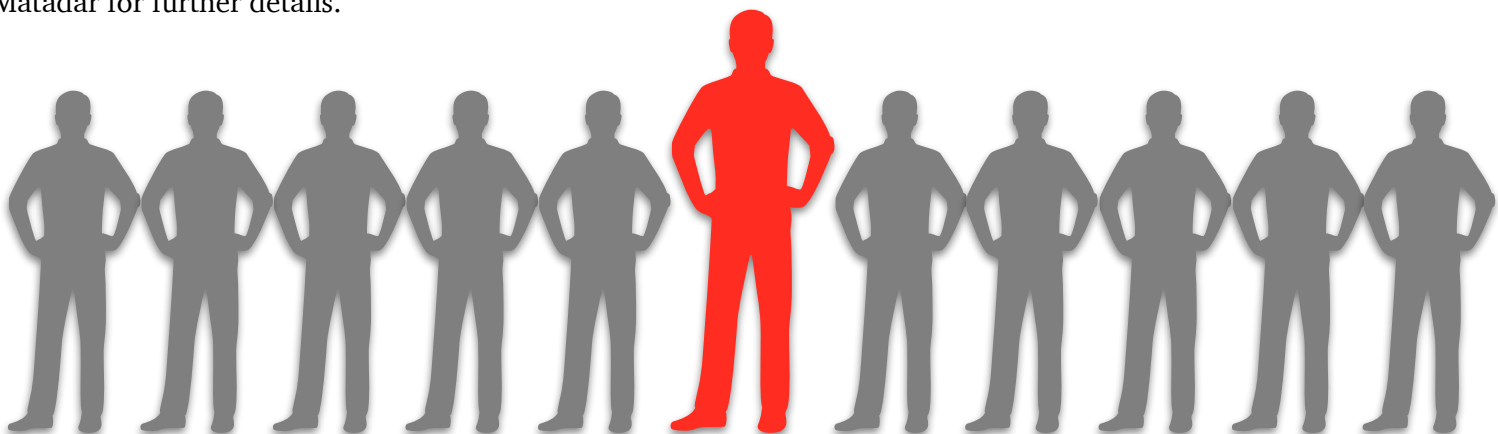
To help pupils achieve a nationally accredited qualification in Leadership, we will offer a wide range of initiatives and roles within school which we expect every pupil to apply themselves to during their time here at EBSP.

All boys will begin a programme of Leadership opportunities in September and gather evidence toward their own personal 'passport', designed to them develop into well-rounded, ethical and accomplished leaders of tomorrow.

Examples of the types of leadership opportunities which will be available are listed below:

- **Representation** – Membership of the Pupil Shuraa or School Council, or a school sports or academic team, along with representing the school to external audiences.
- **Contribution** – School guides for visitors and pupil interviewers for recruitment, ambassadors for events in school and representation at civic and religious events outside of school
- **Community Service** – Leading fellow pupils in the raising of money for charities and the organisation of volunteering opportunities
- **Spirituality** – Leading prayer, Salaat prefects and enrolment on Hifz programmes
- **Assisting others** – Leading pupil involvement in International Schools Award, working toward Junior Sport Leaders Award, STEM Leaders and Duke of Edinburgh Award
- **Leading Learning** – Subject mentors, pupil researchers, enrichment mentors, reading buddies, library assistants, peer coaches and sports officials
- **Promoting achievements** – pupil journalists, web editor, digital safety monitors, display monitors, rewards committee
- **Role Models** – class and school prefects, transition mentors, peer mentors, healthy minds champions, Head Boy and Deputy Head Boy

A full programme and further details will be available at the beginning of the new school year. Please contact Mr Matadar for further details.



Project

The staff and pupils at Eden Boys' Preston wish to express their desire for global peace. We have been crafting poems and creating art work as part of Project Peace. We would like our readers to know more about us, what inspires us and our hopes for the future as we reach out to them.

Our work will be collated to create our very own published book, entitled 'Peace' which we will launch very soon.

Over the next two pages is a sneak peak. We hope you enjoy reading them as much as we enjoyed writing them and gain from them the love, peace and happiness that we send.



Inspiration

Hi, you may not know me,
Hatred and violence, we all know right?
We can do this
To increase our might

Just like moons and like suns,
With the certainty of tides,
Just like hopes springing high,
Still, we will rise

FEAR has 2 abbreviations,
Forget everything and run
Or
Face everything and rise
The choice is yours

Do you want to see us broken?
Bowed head and lowered eyes?
Shoulders falling down like teardrops
Weakened by our soulful cries

Grenfell Tower burned down, hopefully
leaving the innocent souls in heaven
Leaving people being recovered of an
amount of eighty seven
London, 2 horrible disasters, we can't
change,
Innocent lives, we can't forget, which is
not really strange

People may shoot us with their words,
People may cut us with their eyes,
People may kill us with their hatefulness,
But still like air we will rise.

Although I cannot see your face,
As you flip these poems awhile,
Somewhere from some far off place,
I hear you laughing and I smile.

Peace

A Haiku about Peace

A quiet morning,
Sunshine and singing of birds,
Peace for heart and soul.

Mrs A Hardy

The Future

My ambition,
is to achieve my mission,
which is to put this world back into position.
A world where no hate is found,
but a world where happiness is all around.
A place where there is no war,
where there are no bodies falling to the
floor,
a place where no blood is shed,
but a place where everyone is fed,
and no one is left to be dead.
harmony is something we need,
with this no one will bleed,
and this world will change with great speed.

Umayr Panchbhaya

Let us Unite
I'm in a black hole
Lonely and isolated, I fall deeper.
But then
My religion shines a torch
To help me find my way.

Why do they cause
Terror and fear
In the name of my religion?

Why do they cause
Storms between people
In the name of Islam?

Why does my hijab
Cause suspicion?

Let's not be blinded
Poisoned by their hate.
Let's be the guiding light
For future generations
United as one nation.

They will not stop us rejoicing
One nation
Hand in hand
Celebrating diversity.
PEACE
Be with you all.

Mrs N Patel

Peace is....

Peace is...
Not a tug of war, But a hug of war!
Peace is...
Not a disturber, But a supporter!
Peace is...
Not a conflict, But a perfect benefit!
Peace is...
Not a headache, But a crystal glowing snowflake!
Peace is...
A great thing in life, only if you don't put it aside!

Owais Degmaster



Staff Update

Staff Leaving

We say goodbye to four staff at the end of this term who leave us to take up pastures new. Mrs Walker – Director of Learning for Humanities, Mrs Buxton - Director of Learning for mathematics, Mr Arif – Teacher of mathematics and Miss Dola – Teacher of art. We wish them all every success and happiness in their future and thank them for the significant contribution they have made in helping to set up our school here in Preston.

Staff New to the School

September will see the arrival of many new staff to the school as we grow and expand.

Mr J. Clare (Director of Learning Humanities), Mr Y. Patel (Director of Learning mathematics), Mr F. Ali (Lead Practitioner Science), Miss P. Hodgson (Teacher of English), Mr A Patel (Teacher of mathematics and computing), Mr M. Adams (Teacher of mathematics and computing), Miss F. Rangila (Teacher of Science), Ms V. Gale (Teacher of Humanities), Ms J. Evans (Teacher of Art)

Miss S. Bhayat (Head of Year 7), Mr O. Thomas (Head of Year 8), Miss R Lorgat (Science Technician)

We are delighted to have made these appointments and look forward to welcoming them all to Eden Boys and working alongside them to support your son in achieving his goals and ambitions.

Celebrating Diversity



Pupils at Eden Boys had the opportunity to visit local churches. Our boys visited St Matthews Church and Crossgate Church as part of the RE curriculum. Pupils really enjoyed the visit and were very keen to ask the church vicar and pastor lots of questions. They also had the chance to see the Parable of the Good Samaritan acted out on stage during their visit to Crossgate Church and understand what it means to 'love thy neighbour.' The Prophet (pbuh) similarly says in a hadith, "none of you is a true believer until he loves for his brother what he loves for himself."

Our boys have been doing a lot of charitable work throughout the year particularly with their charitable 'Soup Kitchen' food programme during regular Sunday mornings. During the latter half of the year, pupils raised above £4000 so the poor can celebrate Eid just as we did.

Read some comments from our boys below on their recent church visit.

"I liked the church because I learnt new things that I never knew before. I never knew there was an infants' room in the church where they can play and pray. I never thought Christians use music to read the Bible." (Hanzalah Ukadia & Hozaifa Nawaz)

"Crossgate Church was really different to what I thought about all churches. It never had that many church features and it was really interesting to find out about a different Christian group. I would have never thought it was a church from the outside!" (Muzammil Dhanna)





This term we launched the Eden's Got Talent competition. Pupils prepared speeches on one of the STAR values of the school (Service, Teamwork, Ambition, and Respect).

Pupils prepared some wonderful speeches and participated with great eagerness. The competition helped pupils truly understand the importance of the STAR values and how they play a role in everyday life. Furthermore, it was a great opportunity for pupils to develop their presentational skills. Pupils were really excited at the opportunity and their achievement.

"I feel elated that I have been able to reach the finals. I feel a sense of achievement." **M.Zaid Gurjee, 9I.**

"Even though it was challenging and nervous, it helps to build confidence, presentational skills and resilience to work under pressure." **Usman Bangee, 9M.**

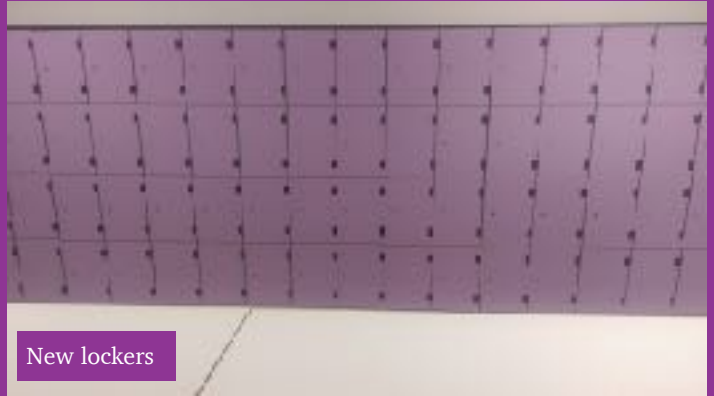
Choosing the semi-finalists and finalists was no easy process. Teachers were mesmerised by the speeches. Tough decisions had to be made though. Finally, teachers were able to narrow down the finalists. However, the judges had a hard time choosing the winner in each category.

Overall, the competition was a success. It enabled pupils to develop and fulfil their potential as well as realising the role of the STAR values and how they can help them become better citizens.



Ground floor wall art

Estates Update



New lockers

As we finish our first academic year in the new building, we have come a long way in building and setting up the Estates within school. We have installed lockers for the pupils on the ground floor dining hall, which complement the colours of the hall. The computing and art rooms are set up on the ground floor ready for when the boys return in September; the boys will now have full use of an Art Studio. The library system has been installed and will be fully operational in the new term with an impressive display of wall art. The boys have a fantastic decking area outside to sit and read. We have also started displaying wall art around the corridors within school. We will share facilities with the Olive Primary School in terms of hall and dining hall usage. The pupils are fortunate in having such a modern building and facilities; we hope to work together to take care of this.



New art studio



New computing room

News from the

Year 9 Science & Technology challenge

"On the 6th July, we went to Preston's College for a science trip. We did three challenges. One of these was the vehicle challenge where we had to make a vehicle move from one place to another as quickly as possible. We had to use a motor to power the vehicle. Even though my team's vehicle wasn't the fastest, I still really enjoyed the challenge very much."

–Affan Desai

"I think the trip to Preston's College was very interesting. It helped me to choose my future profession. One of the challenges we had to take part in was the vehicle challenge where we had to create a vehicle using various vehicle parts and a motor. This challenge was very interesting and inspired me to choose engineering as a career. Another activity we took part in was the EFit challenge. Efit is a program used by the police to construct facial features of crime suspects. It was a very intriguing opportunity finding out how the police find suspects amongst millions of people."

–Danyal Shaikh

"On Thursday 6th July, Eden Boys went to Preston's college for a science trip. We took part in 3 challenges. Personally, I believe that the E-Fit challenge was the best as it was fun, exciting and extremely enjoyable. Firstly, in the challenge, the teachers explained to us how we were to use this extremely beneficial and modern piece of technology. Secondly, a teacher walked in to the room for a total of 60 seconds in which we had to remember all of their key features and after 60 seconds the teacher left the room. Using the E-Fit software, we had to make a character that looked like the teacher. I thoroughly enjoyed the day and hope we have more fantastic experiences like this in the future!" – Ahmad Wahdati



Science Department



UCLAN Young Scientist centre – Forensic Science Trip

“I really enjoyed going on the science trip to UCLAN. It was enjoyable because I got to see how science links with crime investigations. We got to do a lot of experiments and practicals which you only get to do when you go to university. This trip helped us to work in groups and solve who killed the victim. We analysed different fabric pieces of the 2 suspects. It was a very interesting trip and the staff were very helpful.” –Ebrahim Gangat

“I really enjoyed going to the forensic science trip at UCLAN as we did a lot of amazing and cool things such as looking at my own DNA. The Student Ambassadors helped us get through a crime scene by analysing the DNA of different suspects.” – Uwais Member



“I really enjoyed my experience at UCLAN. We learnt how DNA can be used at a crime scene to find out who committed the crime. I think that this trip was a wonderful experience and I hope that we have more opportunities to go on trips like this in the future.” –Hamzah Nakhuda

“It was a very fun, action packed and exciting trip – I enjoyed every bit!” – Zaid Bhagia



“I had a very enjoyable experience at UCLAN. I was very privileged to use equipment which only university students get to use. This trip inspired me to improve and work hard in school so that I can eventually go to university.” -Hasanat Khan

Parking

Parking during drop offs and pick ups:

If you are dropping your son off to school, or collecting him at the end of the day, you can help to ensure that our pupils are safe by:

- Dropping off your son inside the school estate, so that he does not need to cross any roads in an unsafe place.
- Parking and dropping off on the main road could potentially **endanger a child**, please could parents assist by not parking outside the school in the layby or on the main road.
- At the end of the school day, parking in a safe place so that your son does not need to take unnecessary risks to get to the car. For example, by parking safely in a side street or the Olive Car Park on Mercer Street.
- Driving slowly and carefully in and around the school estate. In particular, please be very careful when turning into Adelaide Street and into school in the morning as pupils are crossing that road close to the junction. For this reason, we would also greatly appreciate it parents did not park, or turn their car around, on Adelaide Street.

We do have a bike shed for pupils coming on their bikes to school; again, please could parents ensure that pupils wear helmets.

There will be changes to parking outside school; a loading bay is being introduced for heavy goods lorries, therefore it is imperative that your child takes care when crossing. Parking attendants will be patrolling and enforcing parking restrictions outside the perimeter of school.

Parents' Shuraa

The school will be looking at the forming a new parents' shuraa group early in September. We have lots of parents who wish to contribute to the fabric of the school and often come with excellent ideas which would help enhance the school and its standing within the community. Thank you to all the parents who have expressed an interest in becoming shuraa members. Mr Matadar will be sending out details about an initial meeting of anyone interested in becoming members of this parent body in September and the formal process of formulating this group will take place in the Autumn term. This is an exciting venture; one which will hopefully lead to a significant enhancement of the school's offer to pupils, parents and the community. For those parents that are interested, please keep an eye out for details which will be circulated early in the Autumn term.

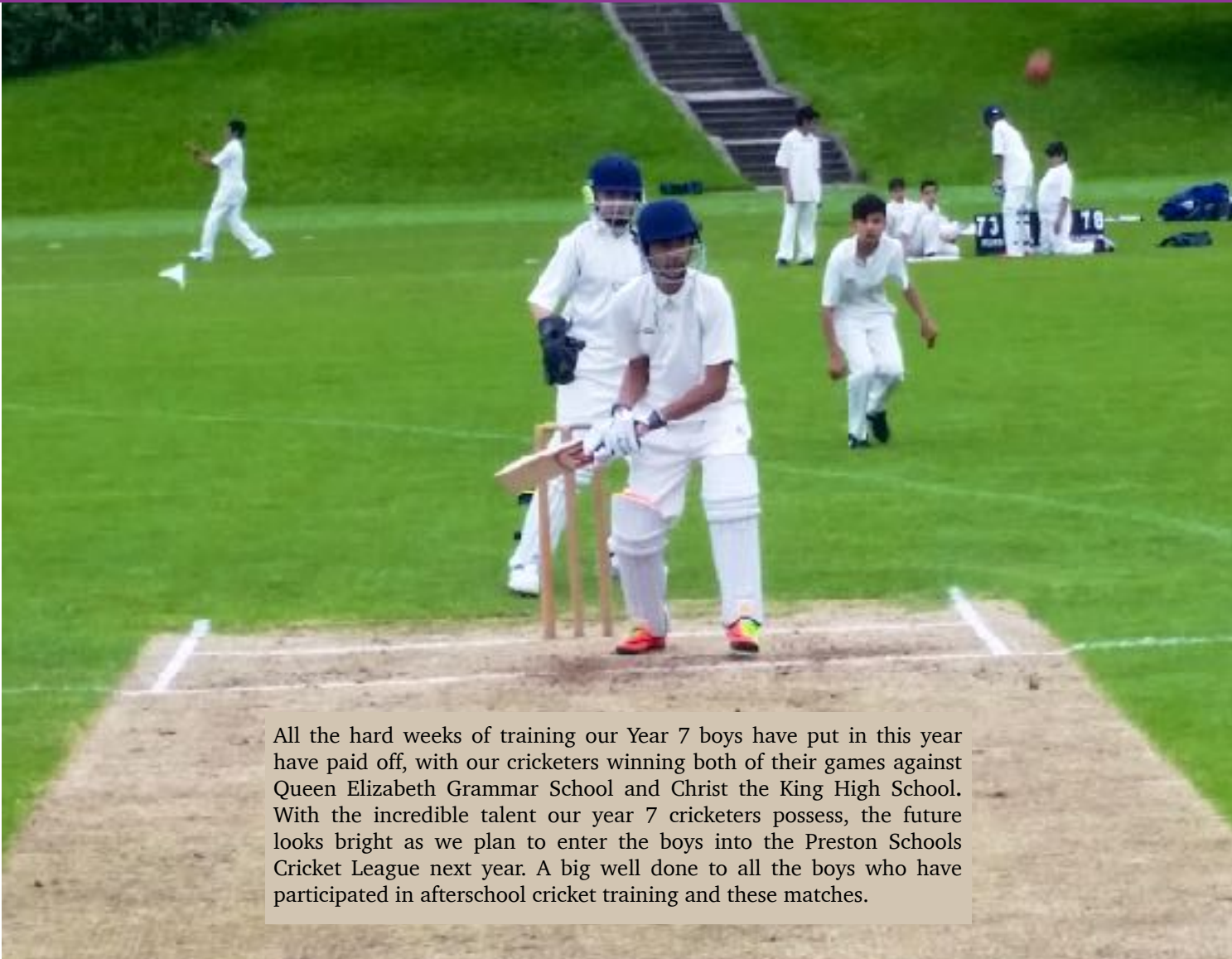
- Please stop when prompted at the crossing with black cones to allow pupils to cross safely.
- Please ensure that your son arrives to school on time before 7.55am in time for registration.

End of Year Exams

It has been a 'testing' Summer Term for the pupils at Eden Boys', Preston. They sat their end of year exams for all the subjects they have studied. Pupils showed good discipline during the process; especially years 10 and 9 who were provided with the opportunity to experience how GCSE exams are conducted. We will continue to run the exams in this manner as it will stand the pupils in good stead for when they sit their real GCSE exams.

The changes to subject specifications, grading and content has meant that pupils will have to work extremely hard to achieve the results they aspire to. In the next academic year, we will continue to provide our pupils with all the support they need; this includes revision sessions, resources, 1:1 specialist support, performance review meetings, bespoke revision guides and where appropriate, smaller class sizes. We hope that we will continue to have your full backing in supporting our pupils. Research carried out over the years has consistently shown that when there is a partnership between the school, pupils and parents, pupils attain excellent outcomes.

PE news



All the hard weeks of training our Year 7 boys have put in this year have paid off, with our cricketers winning both of their games against Queen Elizabeth Grammar School and Christ the King High School. With the incredible talent our year 7 cricketers possess, the future looks bright as we plan to enter the boys into the Preston Schools Cricket League next year. A big well done to all the boys who have participated in afterschool cricket training and these matches.



PE news

Fulwood Academy V Eden Boys

This term saw our Year 7 boys face Fulwood Academy in a friendly fixture, to prepare the boys for the upcoming season starting in September. It was a cool summer afternoon as our boys put on their boots and shin pads and headed to the pitch to face tough opposition in Fulwood. Our boys put up a valiant effort and showcased some excellent football at times but unfortunately Fulwood were too strong on the day winning 7-1. Nevertheless, the players came home with a smile on their face with Hamza Omer saying, "That was such an enjoyable game even though we lost, I cannot wait for next season".



Manchester City V West Brom

Another term, another live game, this time it was Man City's last home game of the 2016/2017 premier league campaign in which they would test their abilities against West Brom. As our boys took to their seats, the atmosphere was electric as Eden Boys joined in with Man City fans as they chanted to gear their team up for the game. The game ended in a 3-1 win to the blues of Manchester, which put a smile on our pupils' faces.



PE news

Eden Boys' Preston V Our Lady's Catholic High School

On a lovely spring afternoon, our Year 9 cricket team took on Our Lady's Catholic High School in a tense game which came down to the wire. Chasing 68, our boys needed 4 from the last over to ensure a victory. With 2 bowls left and 2 runs needed, Talha Panchbhaya played a fantastic pull shot which allowed our batsman to get 2 quick runs to win the game for Eden. A great result for our year 9



Rotary Football Tournament

This term Year 7 took part in the Rotary Football Tournament at UCLAN Sports Arena. The tournament was a great opportunity for our boys to test their skills against other schools in Lancashire, whilst getting the opportunity to develop teamwork and leadership skills. Our boys had a fantastic day with Muhammed Safwan saying, "Today was excellent, I really enjoyed playing in a team and I cannot wait to play more football next year."



The summer holiday is an enjoyable time for everyone connected with the school as it allows everyone to have a break, relax and recharge batteries before school reopens in September. Figures show that the number of children who are hurt in an accident increases significantly during the summer months. Therefore, we would ask every child at the school to take additional care during the summer holidays to ensure that they do not put themselves in any form of danger. Please ensure that you come back in September fully refreshed and have kept safe from any kind of harm.

From all staff and governors we would like to extend a warm farewell to everyone and hope to see you all back on Tuesday, 5th September at 8am.



Eden Boys

Eden Boys' School, Preston

SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY PATTERN

2017 / 2018

(All dates are inclusive)

AUTUMN TERM 2017

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| 'Eid ul Adha 1438 * holiday | Friday 1 st September 2017 * |
| Staff Inset Day | Monday 4 th September 2017 |
| Re-open (for students) on | Tuesday 5 th September 2017 |
| Mid Term Closure | Monday 30 th October - Friday 3 rd November 2017 |
| Closure after school on | Friday 22 nd December 2017 |
| Xmas Holiday | Monday 25 th December 2017 – Friday 5 th January 2018 |
| Number of openings | 74 |

SPRING TERM 2018

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| Staff Inset Day | Monday 8 th January 2018 |
| Re-open (for students) on | Tuesday 9 th January 2018 |
| Mid Term Closure | Monday 12 th February - Friday 16 th February 2018 |
| Closure after school on | Friday 23 rd March 2018 |
| Easter Holiday | Monday 26 th March – Friday 6 th April 2018 |
| Number of openings | 49 |

SUMMER TERM 2018

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| Re-open on | Monday 9 th April 2018 |
| May Day Closure | Monday 7 th May 2018 |
| Mid Term Closure | Monday 28 th May - Friday 1 st June 2018 |
| 'Eid ul Fitr 1439 * | Thursday 14 th and Friday 15 th June 2018 * |
| Closure after school on | Friday 20 th July 2018 |
| Number of openings | 67 |

TOTAL NUMBER OF OPENINGS –

190

Staff Insets: two full days and six twilight sessions

* Please note – 'Eid holidays may be revised slightly according to the sighting of the moon