



# Highlands School News

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## Fundraising for Grenfell

Non Uniform Day raised **£1,759** for the Grenfell Tower victim's fund. Thank you for your support!

## English Readathon

The annual Highland's Readathon took place for Years 7 + 8 who were sponsored to read at least three books over a two week period. Students have been absolutely fantastic in raising money for the charity 'Mind' – raising a grand total of 2311.71!!!

The English faculty are delighted with this phenomenal amount and would like to thank each of you who participated and donated! Special thanks to 7OJN who raised £368.85 and 8RRP who raised £344.00!

*Mrs Selim*



## New School Website

We are delighted to announce that our new website is now active. We are very grateful to the Highlands Parents and Friends Association for making a significant contribution towards the funding of this site, which we hope you will find is a significant improvement on the old one.

You will find the ParentPay and Insight buttons at the top right hand side of the Homepage.

## Upcoming Events

### End of term arrangements, Friday 21st July 2017:

- Years 10, 11 and 13 students will be dismissed at approx. 11:30am.
- Years 8 and 9 students will be dismissed at approx. 12:15am.

## Results Days

Results may be collected on the following dates and times:

### GCE, AS and A Levels

Thursday 17th August in the Main Hall

Year 13: 09.00 to 12.30

Year 12: 10.30 to 12.30

Year 11: 11.30 to 12.30

### GCSE

Thursday 24th August in the Main Hall

Year 11: 10.00 to 11.00

Year 10: 11.00 to 12.00

Year 9: 11.00 to 12.00

Students can ask a family member to pick up results on their behalf, but the student must write a permission letter for the person to bring with them. The person collecting results must also have ID.

Alternatively, students can do either of the following:

- Bring in a SAE and give it to the exams officer, Mrs Bell, who will then post your results.
- Bring in a letter asking for the results to be emailed.

We do not fax results or give them out over the phone.

## Start of Autumn Term

- INSET Day: 4th September (school closed to students).
- Students return to school on Tuesday 5th September and follow Timetable A. Years 7 and 12 start at 8:40am. All other year groups start at 10:55am.

Friday <b>25 August</b>  Sixth Form Enrolment ⌚ 09:30	Friday <b>25 August</b>  External Enrolment ⌚ 12:30	Monday <b>4 September</b>  Inset Day (School closed to students) ⌚ All Day	Tuesday <b>5 September</b>  Autumn Term: First day back for ⌚ All Day
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### Could Briana be the next Doctor Who?

Briana Shann (Year 8) featured in the season finale of Doctor Who (shown on Saturday 1 July).

When the Doctor makes a final stand against an army of Cybermen to protect a tiny band of humans from destruction, one of our Year 7 students will be in the middle of the action.

As well as Doctor Who, Briana recently starred in the highly acclaimed Ken Loach film, 'I, Daniel Blake' which won the Palme D'Or at the Cannes Film festival in 2016 and a Bafta for best British Film. She has also recently filmed two episodes of Holby City which will be aired in the autumn of this year. Congratulations to Briana on these achievements.

### Wonderful News!

We would like to congratulate ex-student Chris O'Donnell who has graduated from Balliol College Oxford with a First in Maths and Computer Science. A massive 'well done' to Chris and his family who would like to pass on their thanks to all in the Maths and Science faculties.



Tony Smith

### Highlands Mock General Election - Labour Win!

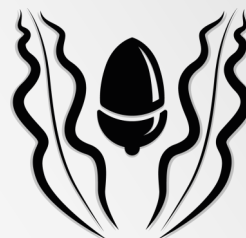
Highlands School students (Years 7-10 and 12) took part in a mock General Election on the 8th June. Each Tutor represented a constituency; with a total of 40 tutor groups representing 40 constituencies. Labour won 38 out of the 40 constituencies.

2 seats needed to be decided by the toss of a coin, having achieved the same number of votes (yes, that happens in UK Elections). In 7OJN both Conservative and Labour tied. In 10BVM both Labour and Green (Other) tied.

Mr Gadhvi

### Lost Property

All unnamed lost property (except school uniform) will be disposed of at the end of this term. You are welcome to check for any lost items before we close for the summer. The Medical Room is open between 9am-3pm. Matron



### HEADTEACHER AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students:

Stefan Bezzina, Joe Jenkins, Esen Akman,  
Jack Martyn Hillier, Harry Preston,  
Lucas Beekmeyer, Marco Sanjurjo Pfitzmann,  
Freddie Beacham, Anaya Adelu, Sandra Bauluck,  
Kate Higgins, Emma Judd, Beni Iviara,  
Athena Nicolaou, Moneera Ali, Rianna Biswas,  
Will Howell, Owen Edwards, Reece Cater,  
Du Ni H-Rice, Ayse Orhan-Pennell, Isabel Davies,  
Yavi Jugnarain, Nagham Hassan, Chloe Edwards,  
Aaliyah Erodoutou, Dilaru Grosu, Asia Petrie,  
Ayse Orhan Pennell, Lily Patel, Marianna Martin  
and Tilly Balenger.

*Please visit the Wow! section of the school website for further details on our student's achievements, including 'Students of the Month' and 'Success Outside School'.*



### Keep in Touch Day visit to Heathcote School HIRB in Chingford

The Highlands' Hearing Impaired Base took the Year 8 and 9 students to Heathcote School for a Keep in Touch Day on Thursday 6th July. At this event the students were able to meet other deaf and hearing impaired students and take part in a variety of sports and games activities facilitated by the Deaf Charity, Remark!

It was a very hot day, so students were allowed to take their ties off in order to take part in tug-of-war, team races, trampolining and basketball. They received certificates and ice poles as their prizes. Well done to them all!

### Level 1 British Sign Language (BSL)

BSL lessons will resume from November 2017 to November 2018. These lessons are offered free of charge to all Highlands' staff, students and parents. Come along every Thursday 3:30-4:30pm at Highlands School, room LS3. All welcome!

Ms Deb-Biswas



# Headteacher's Page



## What A Wonderful Team !

At the end of the academic year, with some staff departing, and messages from so many schools received about the difficulty in recruiting, it is appropriate to step back and reflect on the amazing team of staff we have at Highlands.

I tell our students at the end of each term how happy I am that so few staff are leaving us, and I do believe the stability of our staff is a crucial ingredient in our continuing success.

With around 250 staff working at Highlands, the fact that so many have been with us for so long, and are so committed to our fantastic students is a testament to what underpins their vocation - a love of children and a belief that all can achieve their dreams with encouragement, support and of course... discipline!

If you add to that our inspiring body of school governors and a range of other staff who work on site but not directly for the school, I do believe that the individual contributions and collective determination create the team ethos that drives success.

At a moment in time when those who devote themselves to public service are feeling undervalued, and even being accused of being overpaid, I am sure you will want to join with me in saying an enormous thank you to our staff and wishing them a very well earned summer break!

### Thank You To Staff That Are Leaving

A massive thank you to all the staff who are leaving Highlands at the end of this year and good luck with your chosen future.

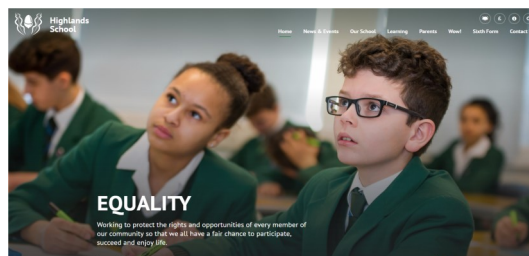
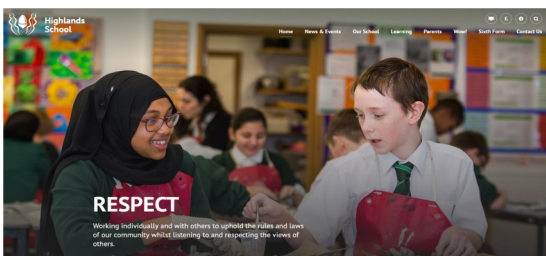
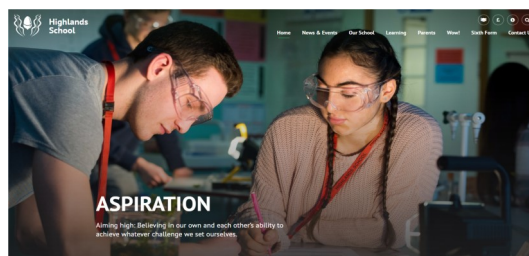
A very special thank you to Ms. Barre, Deputy Headteacher, who has been at the school since it opened, and has made a massive contribution to our success.



### Also leaving us are:

Peter Rogers	Science teacher
Alex Kemal	Religious Studies teacher
Adam Stenning	Head of Computing
Ratna Abraham	Learning Support Assistant
Elizabeth Ellina	Greek teacher
Phil Cooper	Maths teacher

## Our New Values on our New Website





## P.E. News

### ROUNDERS

It's been another successful summer of Rounders for Highlands School in both the leagues and the Borough tournaments. This year we entered a Year 7 and a Year 8 team into the Enfield Junior League and a Year 9 and a Year 10 team into the Enfield Intermediate League. All four teams competed well in the group stages, with only two losses between all of them, which meant that they all qualified for finals night.

The Year 7's lost to Latymer in their semi-final, whilst the Year 8's beat Chace in theirs to make it a Highlands 8's v Latymer final. Both teams played some fantastic rounders, with Highlands coming out as winners 13-9.5.

In the intermediate league, the Year 9's had to play the year 10's in their semi-final. It was an extremely competitive game, with the year 10's coming out on top, which meant that they faced rivals Enfield County in the final. The final was a superb example of the high quality of girls' sport in Enfield, with Highlands eventually edging the game 9-7.5.

A special mention to Davina Spinoza in Year 8 who won our 'Golden Bat' competition; scoring a total of 18 rounders in the league! The tournament results were as follows: Year 7 in 2nd place, Year 8 in 3rd place, Year 9 in 1st place, Year 10 in 1st place.



Well done to all of the girls that have competed this summer, we're all very proud of your achievements! Ms Berrill



### GOLF

#### Middlesex Schools County Golf Championships

Team Champions: Highlands 'A' Team 159 Ben Davis, James Waugh and Charlie Palmer.

Scratch Championship Runner-up: Ben Davies 82 (Highlands).

Handicap Champion: James Baxter Nett 69 (Highlands).

Under 16 Scratch Champion: James Waugh 77 (Highlands).



### English Schools' Golf Championships

Congratulations to the boys' golf team who represented Highlands School in the English Schools' Golf Championships at Woodhall Spa. Great team effort from the boys with Charlie Palmer highest scoring with 37pts.

### CRICKET

Year 7: Lost to Latymer by 30 runs    Beat St Ignatius by 41 runs    Beat Broomfield W/O  
Beat Enfield Grammar W/O    Draw with Southgate Rained Off

Year 8: Lost to Latymer by 3 runs    Beat St Ignatius by 34 runs    Beat Chace by 4 runs

Year 9: Lost to Enfield Grammar School by 66 runs Beat St Ignatius by 2 runs Draw with Southgate Rained off

Well done to all! Mr Johnston



### TENNIS

The junior team had a really tight competition and tied 23 games - 23 games against Southgate. The senior team lost to Southgate but fought until the end! Mr Larter



@highlandsPE

What are you doing in class? Scored a great Goal/Try or are overall **AWESOME!**

Show what you are made in lessons or on fixtures. Show us pictures, videos or mini tweet updates. We'll have it all! #Fitness #QuoteOfTheDay #BeReady #CashMeOutside #HowBowDah



@highlandsarts1

What are you doing in class? Going on a trip? Playing a sweet tune? Tweet what you're doing, where you're going with Highlands School. And we'll #CashMeOutside #HowBowDah #QuoteOfTheDay

## Term Dates 2017-18

### Autumn

Monday 4 September to Thursday 21 December 2017

Half term: Monday 23 to Friday 27 October 2017

### Spring

Wednesday 3 January to Thursday 29 March 2018

Half term: Monday 12 to Friday 16 February 2018

### Summer

Monday 16 April to Friday 20 July 2018

Half term: Monday 28 May to Friday 1 June 2018

Inset Days: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2017, Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2017,  
Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018, Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2018, Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2018.



### French and Spanish Spelling Bee

The MFL Faculty would like to congratulate the following pupils who went through to the regional competition of the French and Spanish spelling bee: Nagham Hassan, Dotun Olgbake and Amy Ellerby.

Many congratulations to Nagham Hassan who went through to the national final at Cambridge University, coming 6<sup>th</sup> out of 37 French pupils/schools. In the initial competition there were 62,000 students, and only 104 went through the Final on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June in Cambridge. So they all, and especially Nagham, deserve a big round of applause.

MFL Faculty



### Speak to me! competition at Seven Kings School

Well done and congratulations to the following pupils who achieved fantastic results in the "Speak to me!" competition on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July at Seven Kings School, competing against 11 other secondary schools. It involved performing a French dialogue which they had written and learned by heart.

French Yr 8: 1<sup>st</sup> place: Blake Eldridge and Nagham Hassan

French Yr 9: 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Augusto D'Agostino and Amara Anglin

French Yr 10: 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Carla Charalambous and Ashni Backory

We are very proud of their achievements. Well done!

MFL Faculty

### Vocal Recital

There were outstanding performances from all of the Borough of Enfield Secondary Schools at the Enfield Music Service, Vocal Recital on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June. Representing Highlands School were the following students: Moneera Ali (9ODC), Rianna Biswas (9ODC), Will Howell (10OJL) and Owen Edwards (9ODC).

The audience were treated to some brilliant vocal solos and duets by St Anne's, St Ignatius, Chace Community, Broomfield, Winchmore and Southgate Schools. Our pupils did the school very proud and many parents were in awe of the high vocal standards.

Lastly, we would like to encourage all singers to attend our school choir on Thursdays after school next term and we are also looking forward to our next project; a musical production in the Autumn term.

*Keep music alive in our schools!*







## The Duke of Edinburgh Award

The Duke of Edinburgh students all completed their Bronze expedition on 30<sup>th</sup> June-2<sup>nd</sup> July. The assessors were particularly impressed with their ability to work as a team and their perseverance....even when their map reading went a little awry! The students were all a real credit to the school and we had a very enjoyable weekend. All the students passed and once they have completed their volunteering, skill and physical sections of their award they will receive their certificate.

We would like to thank Miss Brosnan, Mr Larter, Mr Bradford and Miss Ghambary for all their help on the expedition weekend.

*Mrs Carr and Miss Berrill*




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## Summer Football Camp

Summer Football Camp at Highlands School for all ages and abilities for ONE WEEK ONLY Monday 24<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2017. To avoid disappointment book now using our online booking form which can be found at [www.dynamicmultisports.com/](http://www.dynamicmultisports.com/)

DyNamic MultiSports will be back with football, thai boxing, MMA, basketball, dodgeball during the Autumn Half Term – Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October to Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2017.

*Miss Constantas*



## Year 11 Prom Photographs

The Prom photographs, ordered at the Prom on 30 June, are now in school for collection. Those not collected before the end of term will be available on Exam Results Day in August. All photos taken at the Prom may be viewed at:

<http://www.schoollifepictures.co.uk/proms/highlandsprom>

Password: prom17

## KS3 Achievement Evening

Congratulations to all the students who received awards at the KS3 Achievement Evening which took place on 12 July 2017.



Photographs are available at the following link:

<http://www.schoollifepictures.co.uk/presentations/highlandspresentation>

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## News from the Science Department

During the Summer term I have been running an after school Science Club at our PEA partner school Wilbury. The activities have been for year 5 pupils and our Sixth Formers have assisted me in delivering the sessions. The club has been very successful and will be repeated next year.

On 6th July the Science Department delivered the, now annual, Science Day at Wilbury Primary School. Mr Levinson, Mr Antonis, Ms Al-Obaidi, Mr Howells and Mr Smith delivered 3 separate sessions throughout the day, covering all 3 scientific areas. The year 6 pupils made rockets, extracted their DNA and completed a CSI. Both staff and pupils enjoyed the day.

Andrew Levinson

On 5th July Highlands School Science Department hosted 90 year 5 pupils from Grange Park. This was part of the Science Department's outreach work with local schools. This offers the chance for primary school students to take part in science experiences they would not normally have access to.

The pupils were split into three groups who took part in three sessions based around the three sciences. In the Physics Room pupils were able to test out electrostatic equipment including the popular Van de Graff generator. Whilst in the Chemistry room pupils took part in a rainbow fizz practical, testing how accurate they are in measuring different chemicals. Finally, in the Biology Room, pupils used Microscopes with prepared slides and items such as newspaper print, salt crystals and sand, offering them a view of the microscopic world.

It was clear from the pupils' reactions that they enjoyed the event and I want to say a big thank you to all the staff in the Science Department who made the morning a great success.

Frank Howells

## Success Outside School

We are keen to celebrate Highlands' student achievements outside school. If you would like us to feature your child's success, please contact the Website Editor (via the 'contact us' form), supplying the student's name, form group, a short paragraph of text and a photograph, if available.



### Isabel Zambito

On Sunday 11th June Isabel (pictured top left) took part in the London Youth Games, where London Boroughs compete against each other in different sports. Isabel represented Enfield in Fencing, the team came 7th.

### Melissa Byrne

Melissa (pictured right) was crowned the overall 14 and under Girls' Swimming Champion at an open Enfield swimming meet. Over 500 swimmers attended the meet, from a number of neighbouring Borough swim clubs. Melissa won 5 Gold Medals and one trophy. She also won the prestigious Middlesex County Wilkinson sword (junior) for overall all swimming performance at Counties.

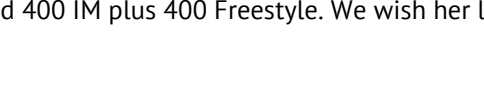
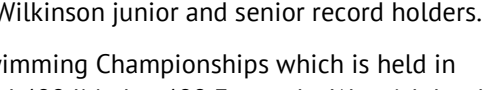
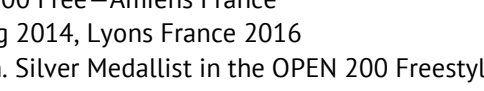
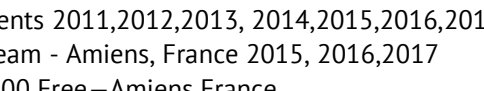
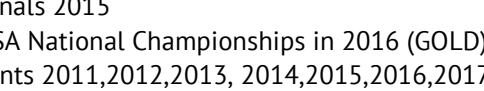
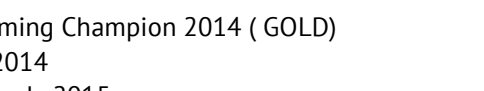
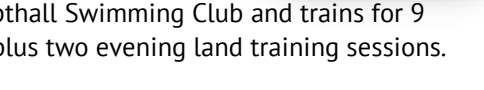
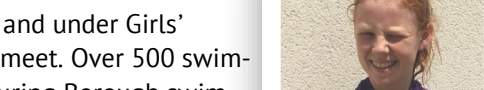
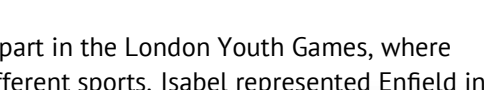
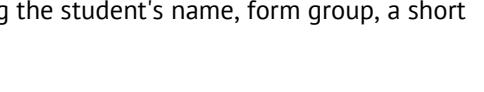
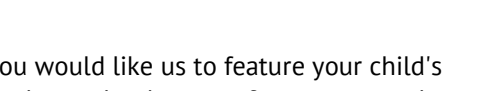
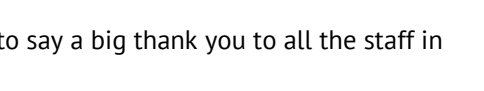
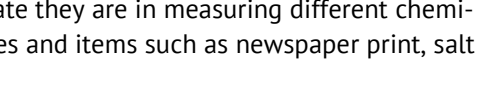
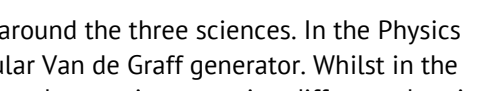
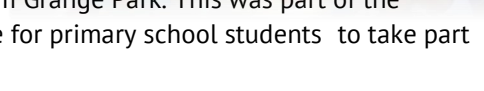
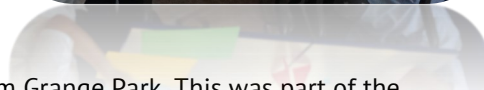


### Meghan Byrne

Meghan (pictured bottom left) swims for Barnet Cophall Swimming Club and trains for 9 sessions a week, including three morning sessions plus two evening land training sessions. Meghan is:

- Double British National 200 and 400m Swimming Champion 2014 (GOLD)
- Bronze Medallist 100 Free British Nationals 2014
- Bronze Medallist 100 Free ASA English Nationals 2015
- National Champion 200 Individual Medley ASA National Championships in 2016 (GOLD)
- London Regional Champion in numerous events 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017
- Middlesex County Champion in numerous events 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017
- International swimmer - London Regional Team - Amiens, France 2015, 2016, 2017
- International Gold medallist and Champion 200 Free—Amiens France Represented - Middlesex County Luxembourg 2014, Lyons France 2016
- Irish Open Swimming Championships, Dublin. Silver Medallist in the OPEN 200 Freestyle
- Winner of the prestigious Middlesex County Wilkinson junior and senior record holders.

On 23rd July Meghan travels again to the British Swimming Championships which is held in Sheffield. She has qualified for three events; 200 and 400 IM plus 400 Freestyle. We wish her luck!





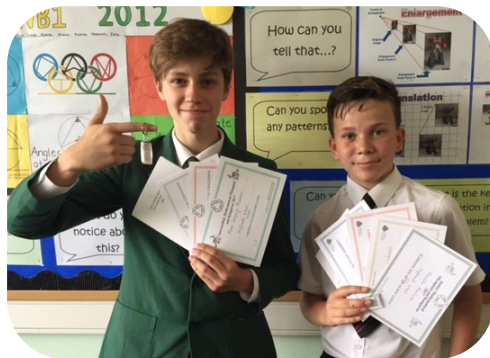
## Maths Challenge Results 2017

2017 was another successful year for Highlands pupils who took part in the UKMT Maths Challenges. Pupils who achieve high scores in the Maths Challenge are invited to take part in the Kangaroos (the name is given in homage of the format devised by the Australian Mathematics Trust). The Kangaroos are taken by various pupils across Europe.

For the 5th consecutive year in a row, pupils from Highlands were invited to take part in this year's Kangaroos. These pupils were Niall Chandler and Tom Worrall of year 11, Marco Sanjurjo Pfitzmann of year 9 and Freddie Beacham of year 8 (the latter two pictured with their certificates and prizes).

Tom became the first Highlands pupil to be invited on the Kangaroos on two occasions, having taken the Kangaroos last year. Marco finished in the top 30% of all pupils across Europe who were invited and Freddie became the first pupil in either year 7 or 8 to be invited to the Junior Kangaroo. I look forward to more pupils having success in the Maths Challenge in 2018.

Stuart McMillan, 2nd in Mathematics



## Highlands School Production 2017

The 2017 Highlands school production will be...



We are looking for:

**Actors**  
**Dancers**  
**Singers**  
**Musicians**

The show will be on the 13th, 14th & 15th December.  
Auditions will be held on the 11th September, with recalls on the 13th September.  
For more information, please see the school website and Frog.



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