

# Newsletter 30

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## EMPLOYABILITY NEWS INSPIRING LINKS

#### **Midland Hotel Apprenticeships**

On Tuesday 9th May, two Manchester Academy students, accompanied by Ms Bowden, visited the prestigious Midland Hotel to attend interviews with the Executive Head Chef. If successful, they will be given the opportunity to undertake an apprenticeship in the kitchen.

#### **Lloyds Bank Virtual Work Experience**

During the May half term break, Ms Bowden will be running the Lloyds Bank Virtual Experience Programme with up to 30 Year 11s. The programme allows students to explore the world of work and think about where they want to go in their future career. Interested students should speak to the Employability Team.

#### **Manchester City Work Experience**

Manchester City are able to offer the opportunity for one Year 11 student to undertake work experience as a football coach over the half term break. Students need to speak to a member of the Employability Team to request details.

Ambition
Respect
Creativity
Confidence
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## MANCHESTER ACADEMY CARNEGIE GROUP

2017 is the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Carnegie Book Awards. The shortlist comprises the very best and latest in children's fiction and is judged by teachers, children and librarians across the country who decide upon the seven shortlisted texts.

Children are exposed to exciting, gritty and gripping literature. This year's theme is Human Rights and Civil Liberties and pupils will be engaging with this theme for the rest of the year.

Manchester Academy's Carnegie Group meet each



week to discuss what we have read and our thoughts and feelings about the texts. The Group contributes to the winner of the awards by discussing and voting on the best text from the shortlist.

#### **FUTSAL**

On Thursday 4th May, seven Year 7 students represented Manchester Academy in a Futsal Tournament at Trafford Power League. They played really well, progressing through the group stages to reach the semi-finals, where they were narrowly beaten by Wright Robinson whom they had beaten in the very first game.

Well done to Fahad Alrashidi, Daniel Habteselassie, Jack Hutton, Joe Hutton, Eid Jama, Musa Jobe and Louie Neill. On Friday it was Year 9's turn. Due to injuries, we had to go with the bare minimum of five players (with most other schools having at least ten!). As a result of this, all five members of the team played 125 minutes of high-intensity futsal. Despite this handicap, the team were a credit to themselves and the school, playing some excellent futsal and receiving praise from opposition teachers. Manchester Academy was

unbeaten during the group stages, finishing first. Unfortunately, after a convincing 8-2 win in the semi-final we were narrowly beaten 3-2 in the final, due to running out of energy towards the end. All five members of the team showed outstanding fitness, attitude and ability. Well done Jahid Hussain, Subeer Ismail, Hilal Khan, Mustafa Nadjafi and Abet Zazai—you are a credit to the Academy!



#### **RECLAIM WALK FOR CHANGE 2017**

RECLAIM is a youth leadership and social change organisation which was set up in Moss Side in 2007, to identify and support young leaders from an intensely pressurised community. This work allows young people to develop their skills and potential and to build their pathway to make the world a better place for all. They run intensive, high impact leadership programmes for 12-to-15-year-olds from working class communities and support them through an Alumni Network until they are 22. They also develop and deliver - alongside our young people - a range of pilot projects and campaigns on issues that affect working class communities.

Two past Manchester Academy students, Samuel Remi-Akinwale and Elijah Walters-Othman, have worked with Reclaim. Both were Leaders of Manchester Youth Council and as part of his role, Elijah went to Germany to work with European equivalents.

Congratulations to Samuel on winning the Spirit of Manchester Award; you're such an inspiration and it's fantastic to see you achieving your dreams :-)

#### **Awards**

2008—National Crime Beat Award

2008—Phillip Lawrence Award

2008—Peace Activist of the Year Award

2009—Manchester Woman of the Year

2010—Plain English Award

2012—Phillip Lawrence Award (RECLAIM our Name)

2012—Manchester Young Woman of the Year

2016—Spirit of Salford Award

2016—Spirit of Manchester Award:

Samuel Remi-Akinwale (former Manchester Academy student)

**WALK FOR CHANGE 2017** 

YOUNG PEOPLE UNITED ARE POWERFUL!

CHANGE IN OUR CITY AND BEYOND.

Walk for Change is a peaceful walk through the city centre led by RECLAIM and Team Future, a new youth campaign collective.

Meet outside Piccadilly Station, 1pm, Sat June 3rd

For more information Tweet @TeamFuture2017 or see Facebook event 'Walk for Change 2017'



www.reclaim.org.uk



#### HALF TERM SUPER LEARNING DAYS

The GCSE exams start in earnest on Monday 15th May. To give Year 11 students the opportunity to take part in dedicated revision sessions, a number of teachers are giving up part of their holiday to provide Super Learning Days. Please encourage your child to attend. This list will be updated each week.

Day	Subject	Teacher	Room	Start	Finish
Monday 29th May					
Tuesday 30th May	English	Ms George	C4	10.00 a.m.	2.00 p.m.
	History (11B)	Mr Robinson	A19 (TBC)	9.00 a.m.	2.00 p.m.
	History	Ms Dhillon	A18	9.00 a.m.	2.00 p.m.
Wednesday 31st May	English	Ms George	C4	10.00 a.m.	2.00 p.m.
	History (11B)	Mr Robinson	A19 (TBC)	9.00 a.m.	2.00 p.m.
	History	Ms Dhillon	A18	9.00 a.m.	2.00 p.m.
Thursday 1st June	History (11A)	Ms Dhillon	A18	9.00 a.m.	2.00 p.m.

### **REMINDERS**

#### **Student Absence**

We ask parents to report their child's absence by 8.30 a.m. by ringing the school on 0161 232 1639 and choosing option 1 for Student Services where you will either speak with a member of staff or be asked to leave a message on the answerphone: please remember to leave your child's full name, Form Group and Year Group. Any child who is still absent by 9.30 a.m. and where no contact has been received from the parent/carer will receive a phone call home from the Attendance Team.

Thank you for your co-operation.

#### **Appointments in School Time**

Ideally all appointments should be made for after school or during holidays, but if this is not possible, please ensure that you remind your child in the morning that they have an appointment.

To sign out of school, your child must provide proof of their appointment, for instance, a card, letter or a note from home. This should be handed in to Student Services in good time as your child will need to get a purple slip signed and hand it in at reception before they can leave.

Please note that break is from 10:55-11:15, KS3 lunch is from 12:15-12:45 and KS4 lunch is from 1:15-1:45.

If your child is unaware of their appointment and you come into school during these times, it may not be possible to contact your child until they return to lessons.

Please encourage your child to attend school every day: just 17 days absence from school a year could mean a drop in GCSE grades in all subjects.

### **STARS OF THE WEEK**

Every week the different subject departments select a student who has done exceptionally well and nominate them for Stars of the Week. Each student receives ten merits and on Friday, is invited to breakfast with the Principal.

Name	Reg	Subject	Comment		
Yusra Akhter Faiza Omar	- 11PNI	Art	For continued effort in Art and for producing some Grade A exam work. Well done!		
Abdullah Arrumi	9SRB	Drama  For putting himself forward for comedy, being and not shying away from singing out of tunion purpose			
Ali Aldhufairi	7MLE	- English	For always being incredibly kind, friendly and helpful young men. They represent the school in many sporting events and always try hard with		
Fahd Hilal	7MAG		their schoolwork. They are a pleasure to have in the classroom.		
Suliman Kosha	8PDH	English	He has recently joined the set and has been an asset to the group with a fantastic attitude to learning and a superbly positive attitude		
Hassan Al Shammary	7CBE	History	Absolutely fantastic effort and application in lessons. He did well in his first effort of the master challenge in weeks—keep it up Hassan!		
Hadi Najjar	9GBE	History	Great effort as always and a fantastic role model to anyone in his Year. Full of great ideas and tries incredibly hard—keep it up, big man!		
Mujtaba Chohan	9KDO		For outstanding consistency of behaviour, conduct and effort throughout the school year. He is an excellent example to all students		
Nidia Sousa	7CSE	Humanities	For excellent use of questions throughout our most recent lesson, which provoked in-depth class discussions between students and helped our historical enquiry		
Fahad Alrashed	11NSM	Induction	Fahad worked really hard in the Easter holidays practicing decoding. He took the sheets home and practiced with his younger brother, other family and friends. Despite missing many lessons on the scheme before joining MA and finding it REALLY, REALLY difficult to decode before the holidays, he got top marks in the end of unit test!		

## STARS OF THE WEEK (Continued)

Name	Reg	Subject	Comment	
Sumaya Mohamed	7LTY	Languages	Sumaya is on the School Council and produced a very professional and well-organised PowerPoint presentation which she delivered in form time. Not only was the presentation well delivered, Sumaya printed off a 'your ideas' sheet which is displayed in the form room for tutees to add suggestions and agenda ideas. I have nominated Sumaya because she worked on this at home and it helped make form time more interesting.	
Habib Sharif	7LTY	Maths	For excellent work and impeccable behaviour in every lesson	
Jai Joshi	8LBU	IVIAUIS	For consistently working at a higher level in all Maths lessons	
Zainab Bojang	7MLE	Music	Both girls have shown a brilliant commitment, not only in their Music lesson, but for extra-	
Amoya Steer	7EFA	Wasie	curricular activities with the Choir and Rock School	
Mojdah Waliezada	11JCL	Sociology	For revising very hard and coming for extra help almost every morning	
Aanis Hassan	9LMC	Spanish	For excellent effort and progress in Spanish	

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Griffin, Principal