



PLUME NEWS

Maldon's Community Academy

Week Ending 25/11/2022

Reminders

End of Term

Arrangements

The academy will close to all students at 12.20pm on Friday 16 December.

All buses and taxis will be ready at this time.



Plume Academy Pays Tribute



Plume Academy paid tribute to those brave men and women past and present, we held Remembrance events across both campuses on Friday 11 November with us being joined by many dignitaries, including forces veterans and our Mayor, at Farnbridge Road Campus. For the first time, the event was organised by a student, Cameron Morrison.

The laying of wreaths at both of our campuses and again on Remembrance Sunday at the cenotaph in Maldon Town. Grace and Jenson, our current Head Girl and Head Boy, laid a wreath at the town's war memorial on the academy's behalf.

As usual there was a tremendous turnout including by many of our students who are currently cadets in services and organisations across the town and district.

Our students represented proudly the academy in an exemplary fashion on this important day in our national calendar.





Anti-Bullying Week 2022

Last week the whole academy came together to reach out and stop bullying for National Anti-Bullying Week 2022. Once again, the response from our students was amazing with them all getting involved via tutorial discussions, competitions and assemblies delivered by our Executive Students Leadership Team. Many students took the opportunity to wear our awareness ribbons, and these continue to be available from our libraries. So many of our staff and students wore odd socks on Friday 18 November to express their individuality and show their support to our anti-bullying message. This week gave staff the opportunity to signpost to students how to report bullying and outline the support available to them, it was a chance to identify that our academy's commitment to Anti-Bullying is not just for Anti-Bullying Week.

Mrs Ollett
Whole Academy Mental Health
Champion



Exam Certificates Collection Summer 2022

Students who are no longer at the academy:

Exam certificates will be available for collection from the Main Reception at the Fambridge Road Campus between

Monday 28 November 2022 and Thursday 15 December 2022

Main Reception is open between 08:00 and 16:00 Mondays-Thursdays and between 08:00 and 15:30 on Fridays.

If you are unable to collect your certificates in person, you may nominate someone to collect them on your behalf. That person must bring with them a signed note from yourself giving permission for them to collect your certificates, together with their own personal photographic ID.

Alternatively, please provide an A4 stamped, named and addressed envelope and we will post them to your nominated address.

Students who are still at the academy:

Exam certificates will be distributed via the College Office before the end of the Autumn term.

For queries on exam certificates, please email exams@plume.essex.sch.uk.



It is with great pleasure that the English Faculty can now announce the winners of our recent competition - 'Black History Month Article Writing'. There have been many beautiful and detailed entries, that have shown not only the skill and creativity of our talented students, but also the importance of Black History Month in Britain. Huge congratulations to our prize-winners this year.

Winner: Archie Jones (Year 9)

Archie will receive a certificate and an English award badge.

Runner Up: Lavinia Waterhouse (Year 9)

Lavinia will also receive a certificate and an English award badge.

Thank you to all our entries

Please check out SMHW for our next whole school competition!

Mrs Russell and the English Faculty

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Henry Crates (Year 10) was selected for the Essex Cross Country team at the weekend and will take part in the Southern Inter Counties Championships.

Charlie Randall (Year 11) was invited to a further trial for the London Broncos after suffering an injury in the North v South Origins Rugby League series back in September. Charlie has passed his trial and been invited into the Scholarship programme along with his Year 10 brother Will.

The Red Rose Murders

MURDER MYSTERY EVENING
6TH DECEMBER 7PM
EVERYONE IS A SUSPECT



6th December 7pm until 10pm

Fish and Chips plus a Mince Pie included

Bring your drink of choice for the evening

£15.00 per person

Plume Academy, Maldon



**JAMES NEVER INTENDED
TO BE HOMELESS.**



Plume Academy - Supports CHESS a charity for the homeless in Essex

At this time of year, we often get approached by parents, students and organisations to support a local charity largely because we have such an incredible past track record in responding.

With the cost-of-living crisis impacting us all, imagine being homeless, cold and hungry. Sadly, like so many places across the country, here in Essex this is a real issue.

This is what we need to do and collect

With the coming cold weather, **CHESS** a charity for the homeless in Essex have an **urgent need for sleeping bags and small pop-up tents, scarves, hats, gloves, chocolate, cereal bars and branded toiletries branded toiletries such as shampoo, deodorant and shower gel.**

To share with those living rough on our streets across Essex.

Starting Monday December 5 and finishing Monday December 12 collection points at Fambridge Road and Mill Road reception will be available for your donations.

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Plume Academy

Christmas Appeal 2022

CHESS supporting the homeless in Essex

Collection Point

With the coming colder weather, **CHESS** have an urgent need for sleeping bags and small pop-up tents, scarves, hats, gloves, chocolate, cereal bars, branded toiletries such as shampoo, deodorant and shower gel.

The Plume Academy Christmas Concert Thursday 8th December 7.00pm Stage Hall Fambridge Road Campus Tickets £6.00

(including festive refreshments)

Come and join in the festivities as we celebrate the musical talents of the Plume Academy.

Featuring Musical performance from all year groups, festive readings from the Leadership Team and selected students from Year 7 singing Rocking Around the Christmas Tree. The highlight of the evening as always will be the audience participation of the singing of The Twelve Days of Christmas. Tickets of sale from 21 November (via parent pay)

Mr Baster referees Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games



Since joining Plume Academy in 2014, I have been extremely fortunate that the academy has supported me in my journey as an international swimming referee.

I have been involved in competitive swimming for 30 years - as a swimmer, lifeguard, teacher, official and gala organiser. For all of that time, I have been a member of Basildon & Phoenix Swimming Club.

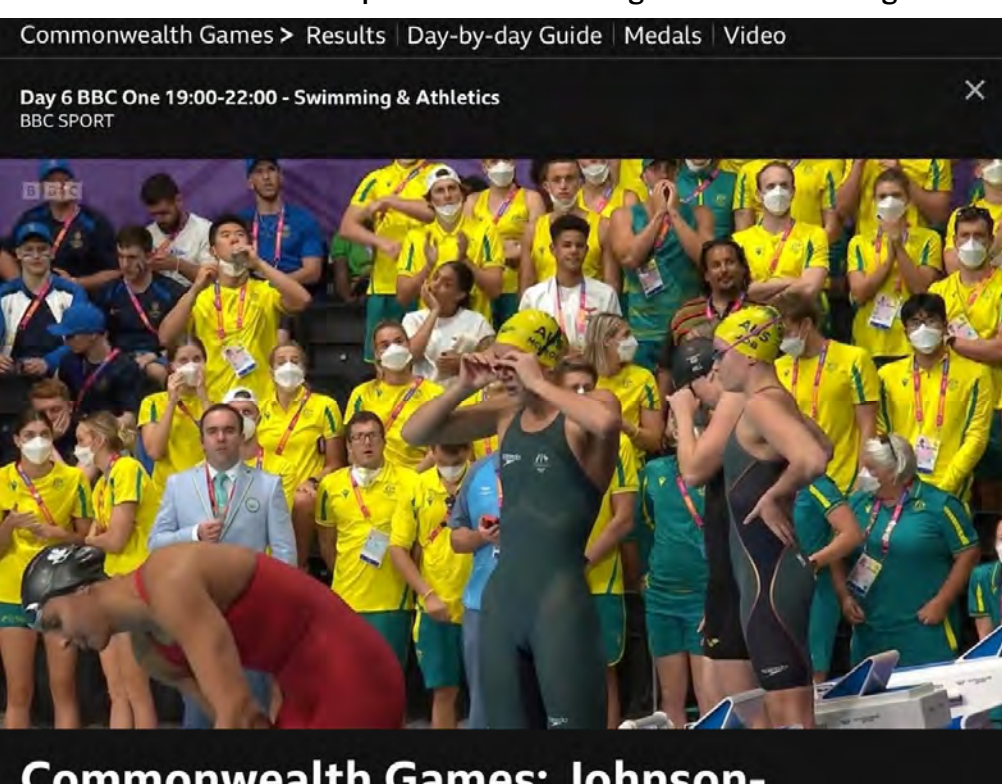
I tend to focus on officiating and organising galas nowadays as I can fit this around my role at Plume. In 2015, I was very lucky to be appointed by British Swimming as one of their six international referees. This resulted in me travelling widely, attending Olympic, World and European events. I also organise the swimming section of the World University Games.

Undoubtedly the highlight of my swimming career was when I was appointed as the referee for the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games, where I was responsible for the women's swimming events. My time in Birmingham in July was incredible - meeting people from all over the world, attending the opening ceremony and hearing the roar of 6,000 people cheering on swimmers in races I was referee refereeing. I also had the honour of refereeing a world record set by Australia in the 4x200m Freestyle Relay. Lots of people messaged me to say that they had seen me on the television during the games - my family took great pleasure in sending me pictures where I was seemingly pulling a face or looking a bit silly. It was great to receive these messages, but I suppose what people do not see are the many, many years spent volunteering at grass-roots sports, perhaps doing necessary jobs that others do not

want to do. My advice to anyone seeking to reach an international standard in sport is to see every grass root event or mundane training session as a opportunity to improve - there is huge power in being resilient, always persevering and saying 'yes' to doing something when many others say 'no'. If I can do it - so can you!

I would like to place on record my immense gratitude to everyone at the academy for supporting me with my swimming career. It is honour to be involved in sport at this level and I could not have done it without the support of Plume.

Mr Baster - Joint Head of Academy





Odd Socks Winners!

1. Lily Pennick 7HGO
2. Robyn Kennelly 8JDE
3. Imogen Wood 8CJO

Well done to all the amazing entries, Mrs Ollett had a difficult time choosing a winner!

The Library Team

CONGRAULATIONS!

This week the Attendance Officers, Mrs Claire Yorston and Mrs Catherine Frampton-Singh have been acknowledging those students who have exceeded our academy target of 95% attendance for the first half of the Autumn term. Bronze 95%+ Attendance badges were awarded on Satchel One to students, who also received a letter of recognition for their excellent attendance.

Year group	Number of students	% of year group
7	66	22%
8	67	22%
9	60	20%
10	60	20%
11	64	22%

Congratulations again to these students!
The Attendance Team



Design a Christmas Card Competition

STEP 1



Design a Christmas card on 1 side of A4 paper

STEP 2



Take a photo of your entry (keep your original design)

STEP 3



Send a photo of your entry to:
m.west@plume.essex.sch.uk

Create a festive Drawing & your design could be featured on our official Plume Academy 2022 Christmas Card

CLOSING DATE
2nd December 2022

All entrants will be awarded Badges. Prizes will be awarded to the finalists



"Congratulations and Well Done" to Eila Jones who performed at the London Festival of Gymnastics in October. This is a display event where various clubs and gymnastics academy's from around the country showcase their routines. Her group performed a very impressive gymnastic display featuring tumbling, vaulting, balances and dancing to a large audience. Last weekend, she went on to compete in a national "TeamGym" competition in Newcastle. This is a team competition, which includes routines being performed on three pieces of apparatus: floor, trampette and a tumbling track. Her team were very proud to have **won Silver!** The competition was extremely close, with only a 0.4 point difference between them and the first placed team.

A fantastic achievement to her and her team! Well done. **PE Faculty**

Interested in a career in teaching?



Join our online Information Evening
on Monday 5 December 2022
6.30pm - 7pm



If you would like to know more about training in
Primary or Secondary with the Plume Partnership

Contact our ITT Programme Co-ordinator

Call : 01621 854681 Email : ITT@plume.essex.sch.uk



Communicating with the Academy

For all **subject specific matters**, please liaise directly with the individual class teacher in the first instance. The next level of dialogue would be with the individual Subject or Faculty Leader.

For all **non-subject and pastoral related matters**, please liaise directly with your child's Assistant Head of Year in the first instance.

The next level of dialogue would be with your child's Head of Year and after that, your child's Head of Campus. The main channels of communication to use are:

Telephone:

Mill Road Campus for Year 7 and Year 8: 01621 879803

Fambridge Road Campus for Years' 9-13: 01621 854681

Email:

Email with staff whose contacts can be found via our website and through >Parents>Staff Contacts. Email correspondence can be constructed in the following format: The member of staff's first initial followed by a dot, the member of staff's surname, then add @plume.essex.sch.uk for every member of staff.

For example, B.Smith@plume.essex.sch.uk

Accelerated Reader Update Congratulations!

Congratulations to Thomas Crockford-Turvey 8SBD and Freddie Diddams 8BDA, both have read over 1 million words. Fantastic news! They will receive their Certificate and badge in English lesson.

The Library Team



Maldon Community Music Centre

Tuesdays 5:00pm to 7:30pm

Individual Lessons and Ensembles will run for 10 weeks per term

1-to-1: £87.50 (15 minutes) and £172.50 (30 minutes)

- Brass: Cornet, Trombone, Trumpet
- Piano, Keyboard
- Drums Kit
- Singing
- Guitar: Acoustic, Bass, Electric
- Woodwind: Clarinet, Flute, Oboe, Recorder, Saxophone

Ensembles: £30.00 (30 minutes)

- Junior Musicianship
- Steel Pans
- Song Writing
- FREE - All in Band [mixed instrumental group]

Packages:

1-to-1: 30 minutes plus 2 x 30 minutes and Ensembles: £195

Maldon Community Music Centre, Plume Academy, Fambridge Road, Maldon, Essex, CM9 6AB.

Read about our prices and booking

Contact: fiona.hill@essex.gov.uk or phone 0333 013 8953



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Plume Community Teaching Partnership Recruiting for September 2023

We are looking to recruit graduates for our highly successful Initial Teacher Training programme. Working with other local Essex schools, candidates will receive excellent training from experienced staff working in association with TES Institute.

If teaching is the career for you and you have the drive to make a difference to pupil achievement, please register your interest for a personal consultation with our Programme Manager.

We are able to offer primary and secondary routes.

Entry Requirements

- Educated to degree level
- GCSE grade 4/C in English and Mathematics
- Additional grade 4/C or above in Science for Primary

Visits to Plume are always welcome and we regularly host open events
We also offer taster days and work experience

WANT TO FIND OUT MORE?



<https://www.plumeitt.co.uk/>

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TERM DATES 2022/2023

Autumn Term

Thursday 1 September 2022

Friday 16 December 2022

Spring Term

Tuesday 3 January 2023

Friday 31 March 2023

Half Term

13 February - 17 February 2023

Summer Term

Monday 17 April 2023

Friday 21 July 2023

Half Term

29 May - 2 June 2023

May Bank Holiday

1 May 2023

Staff Training Days

Friday 31 March 2023

Thursday 29 & Friday 30 June 2023

Calendar November/December 2022

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
28	29	30 Year 9 Parent Information Evening – GCSE options	1	2	3	4
5 Theatre Showcase 6.30pm - 8.30pm Stage Hall FRC	6	7	8 The Plume Academy Christmas Concert 7.00pm Stage Hall FRC	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16 Last day of Term The academy closes to student at 12.20pm	17	18
19 Christmas Holiday	20 Christmas Holiday	21 Christmas Holiday	22 Christmas Holiday	23 Christmas Holiday	24	25

Anti-bullying is NOT just for Anti-Bullying Week!



We have to take action all year round to bring an end to bullying.



Anti-Bullying Week - 14-18th November
#AntiBullyingWeek #ReachOut

ANTI-BULLYING ALLIANCE

REACH OUT