



PLUME NEWS

Maldon's Community Academy

Week Ending 30/09/2022

Reminders

CASHLESS CATERING

We would like to remind parents/guardians that students should not be bringing cash into school.

Catering accounts should be topped up via ParentPay. If you have mislaid your login details for ParentPay please contact the Finance office.

The Finance Team



COLLEGE OPEN EVENING

Thursday 6th October 2022

Fambridge Road Campus
6pm - 8.00pm

We are delighted to invite you to the
Plume College Open Evening on Thursday 6 October 2022
Fambridge Road Campus 6pm - 8pm

Students Perform at Maldon Regatta



We were delighted to perform once again at the Maldon Regatta alongside the saxophone group from the Plume Adult Music School, the sun shone and the wind dropped long enough ensuring that our music was not lost in the Blackwater estuary. We certainly drew the crowds with our range of music from Bohemian Rhapsody performed by the saxophone group and Will Oddy performing performing Bring me Home from Les Misérables
Mrs Adams



News from the Music Department

The start of this academic year has proved to be to be a busy one.

Instrumental Taster Session

We offered our new Year 7 students instrumental taster sessions which allowed anyone interested the chance to try out an instrument and then to start instrumental lessons, we were delighted that 47 students "had a go", many of whom have gone onto receiving lessons from Essex Music Services.

GCSE and A level Recording day

On September 17 all our GCSE and A level students had the opportunity to record their performance pieces which forms 30% of both the A level and GCSE examination courses. Mrs Hill, Mr De'Ath and I were impressed with the standard of the work and are confident of some outstanding results both at GCSE and A level in the near future.



The Ascension of King Charles III

In order to pay due respect to our late Queen and to mark the ascension of our new

King all our Key Stage 3 students completed a mini project learning about the history of the national anthem and learning to play and sing it.



Forthcoming events

We have several music trips planned including a trip to visit the Colchester Symphony Orchestra for our exam groups, our A level Music group will take a trip to London to see Hamilton funded by Jack Petchey money thanks to our Deputy Head Boy Cameron Morrison. Further performance opportunities include the Technology Fashion show and the turning on of the Christmas lights in Maldon. Our annual Christmas Concert with our not to be missed sing-along of the Twelve Days of Christmas is planned for the December 8 at our Fambridge Road Campus—please put this date in your diary.

If you would like further details about instrumental lessons, forthcoming trips or concerts then please do not hesitate to contact me at the following

address p.adams@plume.essex.sch.uk

Mrs Adams (Faculty Lead Expressive Arts)



THE TRASHION SHOW

The Design and Technology Faculty at Plume Academy would like to invite you to attend our first textiles fashion show on Thursday 13 October 2022, from 6pm until 7.30pm at Fambridge Road Campus.

The fashion show will be an opportunity for pupils of all year groups to exhibit their creative work in fashion and design. The theme of the show will be challenging attitudes towards sustainability in the fashion industry, where we have challenged pupils to design and make creative pieces using recycled materials - our very first 'Trashion Show'.

There will be a catwalk show, musical performances and a static exhibition, displaying a range of Plume Academy talent. The show will commence from 6pm, with refreshments made by our GCSE Food pupils served from 6.50pm.

If you would like to attend, please click on the link below to book your seats.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/PlumeFashionShow2022>

Plume Academy presents:

THE TRASHION SHOW



Join our Plume Textiles students when they showcase how we recycle, repurpose and reinvent in our eco-themed fashion show.

Thursday 13th
October 2022
6pm - 7.30pm

Refreshments served from 7pm, catered by our Plume Food pupils.



Student Leadership Application 2022-23

Plume, Maldon's Community Academy is again opening up the opportunity for all year groups to have a team of lead students who will become a key and fundamental part of the academy's Student Leadership Team.

The students who are selected to represent our year group as members of the student leadership team will be lead figures in their individual year group as well as in the academy, planning and supporting activities that encourage the learning of others. They will also:

- be internal and external ambassadors for the academy and act as role models for all students at all times
- give key presentations about the academy, for example, to prospective parents, carers and students at related events
- greet important visitors to the academy
- plan and present at least one assembly during your time in the role if you are successful, and
- take part in other key duties, in discussion with their respective Head and Assistant Head of Year as well as the academy's Senior Leadership Team

Being a year group's lead will come with a real degree of responsibility and will require students to have certain attributes or the mentality to actually develop ones you may not yet have. Key attributes include:

- Aspiration to become overall Head/Deputy Head Boy in future
- Desire to have and make a positive impact whole academy
- Confidence in public speaking
- Natural leader of large groups
- Supportive and understanding of other requirements and needs
- Flexibility in terms of time and availability to assist the academy
- A good communicator

The application process will be open from Friday 30 September and students can apply via the online application form which is available via the following link <https://forms.office.com/r/DvicurHP63> and more information can be found on student emails.

Thank you to last year's Student Leads who made significant contributions to the academy.





Knife crime - the consequences: Julie Taylor

On Tuesday 27th September Year 9 were privileged to have a poignant and important assembly on the issues of knife crime delivered by a member of our community Julie Taylor. Julie's grandson, Liam was tragically stabbed to death three years ago in Chelmsford. Julie has worked tirelessly with Essex Police and the Metropolitan Police to address the issue of knife crime and the horrific consequences it leaves behind for all those involved. Her assembly raised the awareness of knife carrying and how we can reduce the terrible outcomes that can result from the use of them. Year 9 were exceptional in their behaviour, interaction and respect that they showed throughout the entire assembly.
 Mr J Cooper Personal Development Lead

INTRODUCING...

THRIVE

AT PARK DRIVE

WEEKLY THEATRICAL FITNESS SESSIONS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN MALDON

Sarah Shepherd, ex-pupil of Plume Academy, is launching brand new 'Theatrical Fitness' sessions at Park Drive Health Club in Maldon. Boosting health and happiness with movement to music.

FREE TASTER SESSIONS SUNDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER!

9.30am - 10.15am - Thrive Pre-School (Age 2 yrs +)
 10.25am - 11.10am - Thrive Infants (EYFS - Yr. 2)
 11.20am - 12.20pm - Thrive Juniors (Yr. 3 - Yr. 6)
 12.30pm - 1.30pm - Thrive Seniors (Yr. 7+)

Email Sarah at thrive@parkdrivehealthclub.co.uk

MRC Music Clubs

MRC Vocal Group

Vocal Group
 Tuesday mornings 8am
 Rm29
 No experience needed!
 Come and have a go at singing!

BandLab Club

BandLab Music Tech Club
 Friday Lunchtime 1.30
 This club takes place in the computer room upstairs between Music and Art. Come and have a go at creating your own Music using Music Software!

LIVE LOUNGE

Live Lounge
 Thursday 3:20-4:20 Rm29
 Come and try out a new instrument
 Bring in your instrument to practice or perform!
 All welcome - Experienced musicians and beginners!

The Young Essex Assembly (YEA) Elections are now open for applications KS3 to KS5

[Applications](#) are now open for the [Young Essex Assembly's](#) Elections. The YEA is open to students who live or go to school in Essex and are aged between 11 to 19 years, or up to 25 with additional needs. The YEA gives young people in Essex unique opportunities and experiences that broaden their horizons and enables them to have the knowledge, skills, and confidence to take their next steps in life. Find out more on the [online leaflet](#).

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

 Essex County Council

**YOUTH
SERVICE**

The Young Essex Assembly is the elected Youth Council for Essex representing the voice of young people.



Want to have your voice heard?

If you live or go to school in Essex and are aged between 11-19 or up to 25 if you have additional needs, take your first step to have your voice heard and start your journey to influence change by contacting us today using the details below.

The Young Essex Assembly enables you to:

- Work on projects for young people across Essex
- Attend training
- Meet new people
- Be heard by Councillors and MPs
- Be involved in running events
- Stand for the UK Youth Parliament



Closing date for applications 17 October 2022

Contact: yea@essex.gov.uk
or visit our website www.young-essex-assembly.org.uk

If you have any buttons that you no longer need, please can you donate them to Textiles, MRC. Thank you





World's Biggest Coffee Morning Supported by Plume Staff

A coffee morning that Ms Thorn organised to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support last week, saw Plume staff easily exceed the £250 target set, by an amazing £35. It was a hugely successful event that many staff supported across both campuses. Cakes on offer for sale were baked by several staff, keen to raise as much money as possible.

Ms Thorn Subject Leader for Food Preparation and Nutrition and Textiles commented. "People all over the UK host their own Coffee Morning and donations raised on the day are made to Macmillan. One in two of us will face cancer, and the money we raised at our Coffee Morning will help everyone with cancer to live life as fully as they can. I just wanted to say a huge thank you for taking part in our coffee morning last week. We have raised an amazing £285 in both cash and online donations.

Thank you so much to all my wonderful bakers today – Ms Pennock, Ms Wills, Ms Yorsten, Mr Lane and everyone that generously donated at Mill Road Campus."

Cancer Support



£285
raised of £250 target
by 29 supporters

Thinking about becoming a qualified teacher?



Find out how you can gain qualified teacher status (QTS), and an optional post-graduate certificate in education (PGCE) through our School Direct initial teacher training programme.

Join the next School Direct open day and get tailored advice

By appointment only
Contact our ITT Programme Co-ordinator

Call: 01621 854681
Email: ITT@plume.essex.sch.uk
Visit: www.plumeitt.co.uk

Our salaried and non-salaried School Direct routes allow you to train in one of our partnership schools, local to you. You'll work as a member of the school team and learn your skills from experienced professionals, supplemented by high quality online learning sessions.



European Day of Languages 26 September



We celebrated the European Day of Languages

On Monday 26 September, we celebrated the European Day of Languages. On this day we celebrate cultural and linguistic diversity by promoting language learning. Staff and students were encouraged to greet each other in a different language from around Europe. At lunchtime, in the MRC canteen, we were treated to food from different countries, decorations and promoted our design your own flag competition – thank you to all who entered! Well done to both staff and students for taking part. Mrs Ilett + the MFL Faculty

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Country	Hello Greeting	How to say it!
Ukraine	привіт	"pry-vit"
Latvia	Sveiki	"svayekey"
Hungary	Jó Napot	"yo-na-po"
Estonia	Tere	"tere"
Cyprus/Greece	Γεια σας	"ya-sass"
Malta	Hellow	"hello"
Lithuania	Labas	"labas"
Slovakia	Dobry Deň	"dobry yeny"
Slovenia	Zdravo	"drra-vo"
Poland	Cześć	"chashed"
Italy	Buongiorno	"bon-jawno"
France	Bonjour	Bonjour
Spain	Buenos días	"bwenos dias"
Wales	Bore Da	"boh-ray-dah"
Finland	Moi moi	"moy-moy"
Sweden	Hej	"hedge"
Norway	Hallo	"hallo"
Ireland	Dia dhuit ar maidin	"dya dweet ar maydin"
Netherlands	Goeiedag	"huy-ay-dag"
Croatia	Dobar dan	"doh bah dan"
Germany	Guten Tag	"goot-en targ"



Plume Community Teaching Partnership Recruiting for October 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/>

 01621 854681

Working with


MR STEPHENSON'S GROOVY ARTS CLUB BAND

with student performances as support

In concert on **THURSDAY 20th OCTOBER 2022**
Plume Academy, Farnbridge Rd, Maldon CM9 6AB
Stage Hall 7pm – 9pm (Doors open 6.30pm)



Photo by Steve Ball

Refreshments on sale

TICKETS available through Parent Pay:
Student £3 Adult £5
(Proceeds to in-school activities &
Mrs McGee's Hospice)



InvestIN's parent event series is designed to give parents the essential tools they'll need to support their child on their career journey. Events are run by leading experts and are free to attend. If you would like to know more or register for one of the free events please click on the link below. Information can also be found on the website in the careers section under Careers Opportunities

https://investin.org/pages/parent-events?utm_source=UK+SCHOOLS+MASTER&utm_campaign=f22ce97e72-bankersschoolmar_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_bfccb03bbd-f22ce97e72-137668883&mc_cid=f22ce97e72&mc_eid=5d965439a4

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Congratulations!

To our two winners of the English Summer Challenge:
Archie Jones at FRC
Charlie Baldwin at MRC

MALDON RUGBY CLUB GIRLS TEAM

THIS GIRL CAN



RUGBY... TRY OUR GAME

GET FIT, HAVE FUN, MAKE NEW FRIENDS

For girls age 11-17
No Experience necessary!
email: maldonrfgirls@gmail.com
for more information

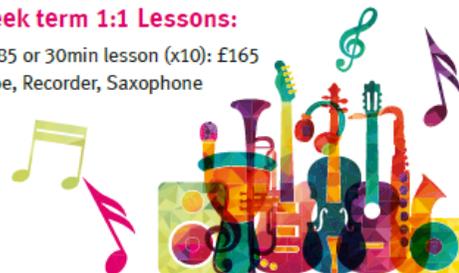


Maldon Music School & Community Music Centre

We offer a 10 week term 1:1 Lessons:

15min lesson (x10): £85 or 30min lesson (x10): £165

- Clarinet, Flute, Oboe, Recorder, Saxophone
- Drums
- Guitar, Bass Guitar
- Piano, Keyboard
- Violin
- Voice



Ensembles:

1:1 30-min plus 2 x 30-min ensembles: £190

1:1 30-min plus 3 x 30-min ensembles: £200

A FREE mixed instrumental Ensemble [50mins]

- Junior Musicianship & Music Making Ensemble [£30 – 30mins]
- Junior Vocal Ensemble [£30 – 45mins]
- Guitar Ensemble [£30 – 30mins]
- Songwriting [£30 – 30mins]

Sessions on Tuesdays: 5:00pm to 7:30pm at Plume Academy, Fambridge Road, Maldon CM9 6AB.

For more information contact: Fiona Hill [District Lead]: fiona.hill@essex.gov.uk

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TERM DATES

2022/2023

Autumn Term

Thursday 1 September 2022

Friday 16 December 2022

Half Term

24 October - 28 October

Spring Term

Monday 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 October 2022

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
3	4	5	6 College Open Evening 6.00pm - 8.00pm	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 Break up for Half Term	22	23
24 Half Term Holiday	25 Half Term Holiday	26 Half Term Holiday	27 Half Term Holiday	28 Half Term Holiday	29	30

Absence Calls

Can we please request that all absence calls are made to the academy's dedicated absence line. The numbers are as follow:

Mill Road Campus – 01621 854681 option 1 option 1

Fambridge Road Campus- 01621 854681 option 1 option 2

Can parents/carers please note that calls should first go to the dedicated absence line and, if required, the Attendance Office will then forward to the respective Head of Years/ Assistant Heads of Year.

If a student is unwell and unable to attend the academy, parents/carers should contact Plume Academy and explain the reason for absence