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**MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

West Ham had a good weekend this weekend – they didn't lose! Actually they didn't play so they couldn't lose as they had already been knocked out of the FA Cup. If you aren't in it you can't win it and I am always rather surprised when clubs don't play their best teams in cup games, for a fan there is nothing like a trip to Wembley for a final. Being West Ham fans my family still talk about the 3 visits we had to Cardiff a few years ago, 2 play-off finals and one FA Cup final – great days and great memories.

This newsletter is always full of many opportunities to get involved with different activities and I encourage students and families to do just that. Whether it's the family film that I believe nearly 200 came to on Sunday, the Friends of Oasis Academy Enfield – meeting this week, or the many sports activities.

**FORTHCOMING DATES**

Year 8 Trip out	Tuesday 2 February
End of Term	Friday 12 February
Half Term	Monday 15 February
Start of Term	Monday 22 February

**MINDBENDER**

The winner of last week's mindbender was Toyo Sadare in 8A.  
This week's puzzle:-

By moving only two sticks, these three equal sized squares can be changed into four equal sized rectangles.



How can this be done?



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**CLIFTON ROOM**

Any students wishing to pray can make use of the Clifton Room during break times.

**FRIENDS OF OASIS ACADEMY ENFIELD**

The 'Friends of Oasis Academy Enfield' is our parents' group, the equivalent of a PTA. This group are responsible for organising events to raise funds, to provide opportunities and resources for students at the Academy. We also run a parent carer forum who meet once a term to discuss issues about teaching and learning at the Academy.

The Friends group have met twice and members of the group have served teas and coffees at Learning Review day, but due to staff absence the group have not yet organised a big event.

This term we want to organise a family quiz night to raise money and give our families a chance to get to know each other.

On **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> January** we will meet from **5-6.00pm** in the board room at the Academy.

**FORTHCOMING DATE FOR YOUR DIARY— PARENT/CARER FORUM**

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March 5.00 – 6.00 pm will be the next Parent/Carer Forum. The topic for discussion will be student behaviour and approaches to behaviour management.

**ATTENDANCE UPDATE**

Please ensure that medical evidence is given to Miss Daly on Reception for absences of more than five days and medical appointments. Evidence can be in the form of Medical cards, dental appointment cards, letters. Prescribed medication labels will be accepted as evidence for absence due to illness.

Government targets obligate us to only authorise genuine illness. As an Academy we need to reach 96% attendance rates. The Borough Education Welfare Officers come in to the Academy to check each pupils attendance and will take action against parents/carers who keep their children off school for no reason. I am always available to speak to if you have any concerns. My aim is to avoid any parent/carers having action taken against them. Please work along with me to achieve this.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Mrs Meadows, Inclusion Manager & Wellbeing



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**Trip Programme – Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February**

**Year 9**

**What:** Trip in – Employability Skills

**Where:** Academy

**Purpose:** To demonstrate an understanding of what employers are looking for in an employee, develop skills to enable students to present themselves in a manner which will help achieve success.

**Lunch:** Normal time in the academy restaurant.

**Equipment:** Pen, Pencil etc...

**Timings:** Normal School day

**Clothing:** Students should come dressed for an interview as a manager in a local business.

**Year 8**

**What:** Trip out – Natural History Museum

**Where:** South Kensington

**Purpose:** To reflect on a number of leading science inventions and innovations that have helped shape the world around us today.

**Lunch:** Students should bring a healthy packed lunch or purchase one on the morning of the trip from the restaurant.

**Equipment:** Pen, Pencil, optional money for the gift shop

**Timings:** Students should arrive at the academy at 8.45. We will be leaving at 9am sharp and returning to the academy by 4pm

**Travel:** Students will travel on national rail and the tube to South Kensington, departing at 9am and return to the academy at 4pm.

**Clothing:** Normal School Uniform

**Year 7**

**What:** Trip In – Personal Safety

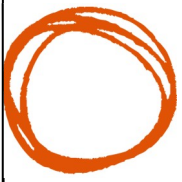
**Where:** Academy

**Purpose:** Develop an understanding of how students improve their personal safety, and reflect on the ways in which this is encouraged via public services messages.

**Lunch:** Normal lunch in the academy restaurant

**Timings:** Normal Academy day

**Clothing:** Normal School Uniform



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## GOVERNMENT GRANTS FOR PCS AND INTERNET ACCESS

Home Access is a government drive to help low-income families to get access to a computer and the internet to get online at home.

Low income families in receipt of certain benefits could qualify for a grant to buy a computer and/or a minimum of one years' internet access. The programme is aimed at those that need it most and targets families that do not have access to a computer or the internet at home.

Go to <http://www.homeaccess.org.uk/> for more information.  
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**PLAY RUGBY?**

**JOIN**

**ENFIELD IGNATIANS R.F.C**

PLAYERS OF ALL ABILITIES AND AGES ARE WELCOMED

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED.....  
PLEASE SEE WEBSITE FOR DETAILS

**[www.enfieldignatiansrffc.co.uk](http://www.enfieldignatiansrffc.co.uk)**

OR CONTACT US ON

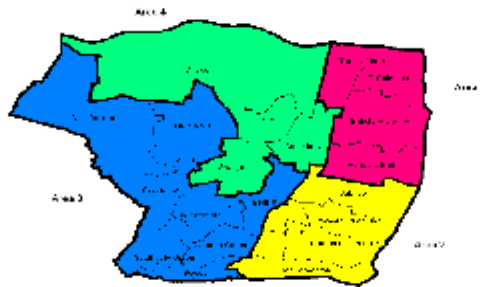
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Training takes place every Tuesday and Thursday, 7:15pm till  
9:00pm at Enfield Ignatians Rugby Club, Donkey Lane, Enfield,  
Middlesex, EN1 3PL - Visit the website for a map.



# Area Youth Forums

If you would like to join the Youth Forum or find out more please email the [childrens.trust@enfield.gov.uk](mailto:childrens.trust@enfield.gov.uk) or Call/Text: [07950624369](tel:07950624369)



## January Meetings

- CAP 1 Area Youth Forum:** Thursday 21st January 5.30-6.30PM (Connexions centre Enfield Highway Library)
- CAP 2 Area Youth Forum:** Wednesday 20th January 5.30-7.00PM (Edmonton Green Library)
- CAP 3 Area Youth Forum:** Monday 25th January 5.30-7.00PM (Southgate Library)
- CAP 4 Area Youth Forum:** Tuesday 26th January 5.30-7.00PM (Civic Centre)

## February Meetings

- CAP 1 Area Youth Forum:** Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Feb 5.30-7.00PM (Connexions centre Enfield Highway Library)
- CAP 2 Area Youth Forum:** Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> Feb 5.30-7.00PM (Edmonton Green Library)
- CAP 3 Area Youth Forum:** Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb 5.30-7.00PM (Southgate Circus Library)
- CAP 4 Area Youth Forum:** Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb 5.30-7.00PM (Civic Centre)



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ETAPP IS OPEN MONDAYS 10AM - 12 NOON!



*We're in the Oasis  
Community room,  
opposite the "Stay &  
Play".*

*We run drop-in sessions for any parents with  
pre-schoolers living in temporary accommodation.  
Come and join us for play, advice, support & to meet other  
people.  
A Health visitor is often present at the sessions.  
Multi lingual resources are available.*



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**Oasis Children's**

MONDAYS	TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAYS	THURSDAYS	FRIDAYS
<p><b>ETAPP Play Project</b> 09.30 – 12.00</p> <p><b>For families living in temporary accommodation</b></p>	<p><b>Introduction to Childcare Taster Training Course</b></p> <p><b>With Crèche service</b></p> <p>For those interested in a career in childcare</p>	<p><b>Oasis Stay and Play</b> 09.30 – 11.30</p> <p>Wide range of toys and activities to keep your children busy!</p>	<p><b>Enfield Childminding Group</b> 09.30 – 11.30</p> <p><b>Featuring Under 5's story and rhyme time!</b></p>	<p><b>Understanding Children's Behaviour and other relevant workshops</b></p> <p>by <b>CAMHS</b></p> <p>10.00 – 12.00 see staff for details</p>
<p><b>Oasis Stay and Play</b> 10.00 – 12.00</p> <p><b>Featuring Under 5's story and rhyme time with David!</b></p> <p>Interactive toys and musical instruments</p>	<p><b>Health Visitor Service First Time Parents Group and Baby Massage</b> 10.30 – 12.00 (from April 2010) see staff for details</p>	<p><b>Home Start Playgroup</b> 1.30 – 3.00</p> <p><b>Providing practical and emotional support to families throughout the borough with children under the age of five. Play sessions follow the Early Year's framework.</b></p>	<p><b>Job Centre Plus GROUP</b> <b>WORK FOCUSED INTER-VIEWS</b> 9.30 – 2.30</p>	<p><b>Health Visitor Service</b></p> <p><b>First Time Parents Group and Baby Massage</b></p> <p>10.30 – 12.00 Jan - April see staff for details</p>
<p><b>Oasis Library Service</b> 10.00 – 10.30</p> <p>visit our very own Oasis Academy library and borrow books and resources</p>	<p><b>Oasis Stay and Play</b> 2.00 – 4.00</p> <p><b>Featuring Under 5's story and rhyme time with Pat!</b></p>	<p><b>Enfield Counselling Service</b></p> <p>free confidential counselling service see staff for details</p>	<p><b>Oasis Stay and Play</b> 2.00 – 4.00</p> <p>Wide range of toys and activities to keep your children busy!</p>	<p><b>Bums legs and tums!</b></p> <p>12.30 – 1.30</p>
<p><b>Oasis Money Management Workshop</b></p> <p><b>1pm: Community Room</b> Coming soon!</p>	<p><b>Baroness visits Oasis Children's Centre!</b></p> <p><b>Excellent" children's centre welcomed cabinet member.</b></p> <p><b>Our very own Children's Centre was declared "excellent" by a visiting cabinet minister, the Leader of the House of Lords, Jan Royall the Baroness Royall of Blaisdon. She said: "It's an excellent centre and you can tell because you get happy kids, parents and grandparents."</b></p>	<p><b>Health Visitor Drop In Service</b></p> <p>for parents and carers 2.00 – 4.30pm</p>	<p><b>Rhythm and Rhyme exercise workshops for you and your child!</b> See staff for details</p>	<p><b>More services coming your way soon!</b></p>
	<p><b>Speech and Language Drop In Service</b></p> <p>for parents and carers 2.00 – 4.00pm</p>			