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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The week before half term we had our charity fundraising events for Haiti. We had valentines' roses and teddies, cakes and drinks, key rings, table tennis and many other activities. In total the Academy raised £790 which will be sent to the Red Cross working in Haiti. This money will be used to provide 18 families with a basic tent to provide shelter and a mosquito net to prevent them catching malaria.

It is a lovely thought that students, staff, family and friends of Oasis Academy in Enfield will have improved the life chances of 18 families, maybe 100 people in Haiti.

I thank you all on their behalf.

FORTHCOMING DATES

Start of Term	Monday 22 February
Assessments	Thursday 25 & Friday 26th February
Trip in/out	Year 7 London Zoo. Year 8 & 9 Academy based activities
Learning Review Day	Tuesday 16 March
End of Term	Wednesday 31 March
Start of Term	Monday 19th April @ 8.45am
Bank Holiday	Monday 3 May
Assessments	Thursday 6th & Friday 7th May
Learning Review Day	Tuesday 25th May
End of term	Friday 28th May
Staff Training Day	Monday 7 June
Start of Term	Tuesday 8th June @ 8.45am

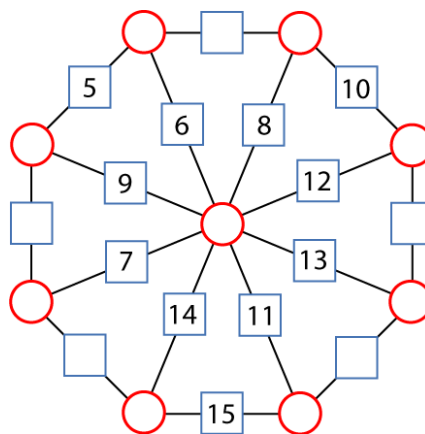
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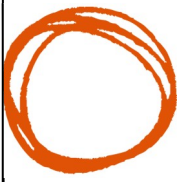
The winner of last week's mindbender, with a very detailed answer was Deanne Duncan in 9 Ruby – prize at reception.

This week's puzzle:-

In an arithmagon the numbers in the squares in the middle of the lines are the sum of the numbers in the circles at the ends. Usually arithmagons are triangular, but they can be any shape.

This Mega Arithmagon works the same way. The numbers from 1 - 9 go in the nine circles. Can you put them in the correct places and so fill the empty squares?





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CLIFTON ROOM

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

FORTHCOMING DATE FOR YOUR DIARY— PARENT/CARER FORUM

Thursday 4th 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. Please put this date in your diary now – further details to follow nearer the time.

Oasischurch

OasisChurch - Enfield, meets each Sunday at The Oasis Academy from 11am starting with an informal time over a cuppa! Then a time to discuss and debate a topic from the Bible. The Church is part of the Oasis Hub and it chooses to serve and work with the school, the children's centre and the youth team. To know more about Oasis church we can be contacted via our website www.church.co.uk/enfield. or call 01992 655463 to speak with Craig or Rachel Bird.



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WORLD BOOK DAY 4 MARCH AND BOOK WEEK 8 -12 MARCH

The Library: World Book Day (4 March) and Book Week (8 - 12 March)

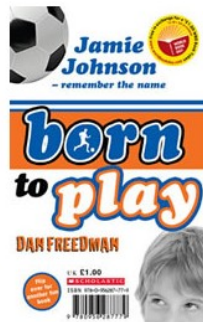
To celebrate World Book Day (4 March) the Library will be arranging a number of events around books and reading, during the week of the 8 March. I would like to invite all pupils to get involved in any of the following events/competitions.

Thank you. Mr Iona

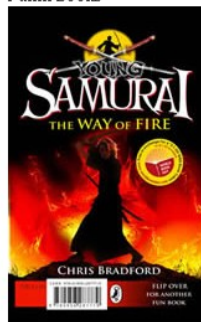
World Book Day tokens

Every pupil will receive a World Book Day token on Wednesday 3 March. This token will get you £1 off any book, or it can be exchanged for one of the specially published flip-books, each of which have two books in one and include:

Jamie Johnson: Born to Play, Dan Freedman Scholastic



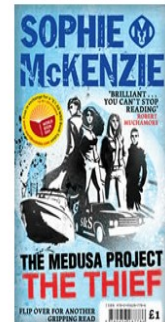
With Young Samurai: The Way of Fire, Chris Bradford Puffin Books



Walking the Walls, Chris Higgins Hodder Children's Books



With Medusa Project: The Thief, Sophie McKenzie Simon & Schuster Children's Books



Poetry Jam

The Library is going to hold a Poetry Jam, at which pupils can come and read/perform their favourite poems, or those that they have written, for an audience. This will be planned to take place on Thursday 11 March, over the two lunchtime sessions.

If pupils would like to perform, they should come and see Mr Iona in the Library to add their name to the list of acts.

If you would like to come and watch, come to the Library to add your name to the audience list (limited to 40 pupils per lunchtime session)



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WORLD BOOK DAY 4 MARCH AND BOOK WEEK 8 –12 MARCH

Silent Reading Sessions

The Library will open at break time during our Book Week for silent reading. If pupils want somewhere silent to read, then come to the Library at break time where you will have the perfect reading atmosphere.

No computers, no extended learning, no chat... just readers and their books.

Design a bookmark competition

The Library wants some new bookmarks and would like our pupils to design them. It can be any shape, size and design but be on the theme of books/reading. For example, you could base your design on your favourite character from a book. Bookmarks will be judged on originality, eye-catching design and interpretation of the theme.

There will be 3 winners, who will have their bookmarks mass-produced and made available in the Library.

The deadline to submit your entry by is Friday, 12 March. Winners will be announced in the newsletter.

Extreme Reading Competition

We all read, whether we realise it or not. Whether it's a book, our favourite magazine, text messages, instant messages or web-content, we are surrounded by information and read all the time. Let's share our most interesting places to read.

But where do you like to read? Is there a particular place where you go to read? Do you read on the bus? Walking down the street? On the astro? In a corner of the playground? In McDonalds? Outside Enfield Lock train station?

So the competition is... get a photo of yourself reading in an **interesting**, strange or unusual location and send/email it to Mr Iona.

There will be a display of all the photos submitted, and the most interesting photos will receive prizes.

Deadline for entries: Friday, 12 March



QUIZ NIGHT—FRIDAY 19TH MARCH

On Friday 19th March 7.00-9.30(7.30 start) we will be holding a quiz night to raise money for the 'Friends of Oasis Enfield', our PTA group who are responsible for raising funds to provide additional resources for our students.

Please bring your own drinks, nibbles will be provided. We have a really experienced pair of Quiz masters. Mr Walton will be doing a raffle in the interval and they'll be great prizes for the winning team!

Ticket are £5.00 and will be on sale very soon. Fliers about ticket sales etc will be available soon.

Individuals are welcome or people can arrange their own teams of up to 8 people . Adults who are not parents of students at school are welcome but there are no kids allowed!

I hope a lot of you will make a night of it and come along!

We will be asking for donations of nibbles and prizes if parents feel they can help and will collect these nearer the time. Any parents willing to help organise/ help out on the evening please email Margaret.Meadows@oasisenfield.org

Thanks and look forward to seeing you!

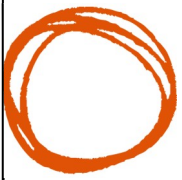
Beth Honnor
Deputy Principal

GIRLS FOOTBALL- 3rd

Congratulations to the girls football team who finished 3rd in their League. Well done for your commitment all season.

Miss Sheehan





WEEKLY NEWS

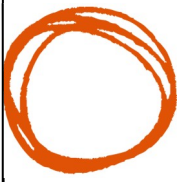
3Es TWILIGHT BOOK-CLUB

The Twilight Book-Club have created a display of books they would recommend to *Twilight* fans. These are books that they have read and loved, and think that pupils who have read *Twilight* will also like.

The books we recommend are *My Love Lies Bleeding*, by Alyxandra Harvey; the 'Mortal Instruments' series, by Cassandra Clare ; *Blood Sinister*, by Celia Rees; the 'Saga of Darren Shan' series, by Darren Shan; *Girl Missing*, by Sophie McKenzie; and the 'Demonata' series by Darren Shan.

Come and find these books in the Library, and take a look at the display





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FREE ONLINE INFORMATION RESOURCES

Enfield Libraries provides access to a range of excellent online resources for pupils and parents to use. These include resources that will help pupils with their extended learning and research, as well as other resources that might be of interest, including Encyclopaedia Britannica; Oxford English Dictionary; Oxford Art; Oxford Dictionary of National Biography; The Times archive; World Book encyclopaedia; Driving Theory Pro; and a range of others. These resources can be accessed at <http://www.enfield.gov.uk/24hourlibrary> using their library card number.

At the start of module four all pupils will be given a "Z-card" during their ICT lesson, provided by Enfield Council, with a information about these resources and a number which will allow them to access them without having a Library card. This will ensure that all pupils have access to these important, valuable online resources from home.

Mr Iona

New Careers Books

The Library has a selection of new books about jobs and careers. These will be of particular interest for year 9s who recently had a trip-in about careers and the world of work.

The books cover a range of sectors including fashion, film, building, healthcare, catering and more. If pupils want to research and find out about different jobs, then these resources are available to borrow now.

Mr Iona



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MATHS—HELPFUL HINTS

Mathematics is an exciting and challenging subject, which plays a central role in many aspects of modern life. When you listen to a CD, watch a weather forecast, use a mobile phone, or use the internet, you are benefiting from sophisticated mathematical ideas.

At Oasis Academy Enfield every child is an individual and is valued for their own individuality. A number of students will be taking home a holiday revision pack. This is part of the intervention programme at the academy, which is aimed at giving pupils the opportunity to achieve their fullest potential.

How to use the pack?

Find a quiet place

The tasks are labelled by days. Students should spend 10 minutes each day working on one task.

Return to the class teachers after the holiday

How can parents help their children to improve their attainment?

- **Useful websites:**

www.mymaths.co.uk – login – Enfield, password- addition
BBCBITESIZE,

www.mathszone.co.uk

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/games/>

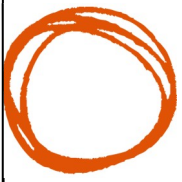
- **Ideas and tips:**

Try some of these to reinforce learning that has taken place at school:

Children must get used to solving problems in their heads, rather than resorting to a calculator. Play games with your child: throw two dice and multiply the numbers, then move on to multiplying the sum of two throws by the sum of another two throws. Try to get some pace into the game!

Play snakes and ladders, darts, dominoes and other games that depend on numbers, counting, calculation and scoring. 'Battleships' is a fun way to use graphs. Invest in a range of maths puzzle books.

Capitalise on hobbies. If your child is car-mad, talk about relative engine sizes, fuel economy, speed and performance. If she has a favourite pop group, get her to compile a list of statistics such as the number of weeks each single is in the charts. Watch and play sports that involve scoring, timing, counting, measuring.



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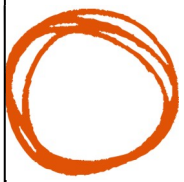
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Think about calendars and dates too. Make a timeline that includes the birthdays of each member of the family and work out how far apart each one is. Use different units: months, weeks and days, even hours, minutes and seconds. Add other important events, such as a family holiday, and encourage your child to count down to the big day.

Cooking is great for helping your child get to know simple weights and measures. An old-fashioned set of balance scales is ideal. Count out spoonfuls of ingredients. This is a good way to introduce the idea of ratios and proportions, too. Bear in mind that your child are learning the metric system at school, so try to measure amounts in grams and kilograms.

Use learning games on educational websites: check out the **BBC Schools Games Machine** for lots of ideas.

Contact: Mr. T. Hines
Oasis Academy Enfield
Interventions/maths coordinator
Ms. J. Ngatia (learning Director)



Trip Programme – Wednesday 3rd March

Year 9

What: Trip in – The Right Path

Where: Academy

Purpose: The aim of the day is for students to develop an understanding of the choices they have in life and consider how the wrong choice can have effects both on themselves, their families and the wider community. Please note that during the course of the day students may be shown some images of victims of crime, if at any time your son/daughter feels that these images are too distressing they will be allowed to leave the room.

Lunch: Normal time in the academy restaurant.

Equipment: Pen, Pencil etc...

Timings: Normal School day

Clothing: School Uniform

Year 8

What: Trip in - Breathe

Where: Academy

Purpose: The purpose of the day is to provide opportunities for students to reflect on the theme of "Peace" – encouraging them to be at peace with themselves and take their place within a peaceful society.

Lunch: Normal time in academy restaurant

Equipment: Pen, Pencil etc...

Timings: Normal school day

Year 7

What: Trip Out – London Zoo

Where: London Zoo Regents Park, Camden

Purpose: The trip will look at the reasons why some animals are endangered and what steps humans can take to prevent them becoming extinct.

Lunch: Please bring a healthy packed lunch or purchase before leaving from the academy restaurant

Timings: Normal Academy day

Clothing: Normal School Uniform

Travel: Students will travel on national rail and the tube to Camden, departing at 9am and return to the academy at 4.15pm.

Dear parent/guardian/carer

I'm delighted to tell you about a special event taking place on Tuesday 27th April. Top family speaker Rob Parsons will be coming to Oasis Academy Enfield, and presenting **Teenagers! What Every Parent Has to Know** - an evening of down-to-earth ideas, humour, and, most of all, hope - from national charity Care for the Family, which will give you useful insights into life with a teenager. Attached is a flier and a brochure with more information about the event.

At Teenagers! What Every Parent *Has* to Know you'll hear Rob explore some of the most confusing and challenging aspects of parenting teenagers, including:

- Understanding what's going on in your teenager's brain
- Why reading your child's school report can fool you
- Keys for dealing with the really testing teenager

The big issues: sex, drugs, self-esteem...

Rob has presented this evening to thousands of parents all around the UK, already. Here are some of the things they've said:

"I wish every parent could hear this information before their kids are teens!"

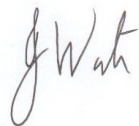
"Rob Parson's ability to tackle very serious issues with humour has made me feel more relaxed about the fact that I don't have answers to all the problems."

"It's so powerful hearing someone speak about something they've lived themselves..."

"Very encouraging and supportive and fun."

'Teenagers! What Every Parent *Has* to Know' will be held at **Oasis Academy Enfield from 7.30until 10.00pm(doors open at 7.00pm)**. Tickets normally cost £6.00 each but we have agreed to make them available to parents of students at the Academy for just **£3.00** each. The event is open to the wider public and so we have reserved 50 tickets for our families. To book through us you must fill out the reply slip below and return it with the £3 fee to school as soon as possible and no later than 19th March. Alternatively you can book direct by calling (029) 2081 0800 or visiting www.careforthefamily.org.uk/teenagers Please quote the special code "**schools**" to obtain the discount.

With best wishes



Mr John Walton
Principal

Teenager's event: please return to reception in an envelope marked 'Teenagers event' or hand to Mrs Meadows

Name:

Name of student:

Number of tickets required:

Total amount of money included:



Free Squash
Adult Coaching and Taster Sessions!!!!

At

Southgate Squash and Racketball Club
Walker Cricket Ground, Waterfall Road N14

Every Thursday
For
4 weeks at 7:15pm and 8pm

Starting Thursday 4th March 2010

A £20 refundable cheque (payable to SSRC) is required for each participant and will be return once you have attended a minimum of 3 sessions

Places are limited, so please call 07904 300 288 or email:
admin@southgatesquashclub.co.uk to reserve your free place.

Preference will be given to those people who have never played before.
Sessions are open to people with disabilities.

See the SSRC website for more great info on Squash and Racketball
www.southgatesquashclub.co.uk

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Dear Parent/Guardian

RE: Pathway evening – year 8 and 9

On learning review day 3 your son/daughter will need to make their pathway choices for next year. Each pupil in the academy gets the chance to customize their curriculum by adding more timetabled sessions on the subjects they enjoy most.

To help in the decision making process your son/daughter has been provided with a pathway booklet which lists all of the subjects that they can choose from and explains briefly what each is about. On top of this we will be holding a Pathway Evening on the 10th March between 5.30pm – 7.30pm. On this evening staff will be available in the Market Place to discuss the different pathways with you explaining what they involve and whether they are suitable for your son/daughter. There will also be presentations in the main assembly hall looking at the pathway choice process.

This is an important decision for your child and we look forward seeing you there. Please could you complete the slip below and return to reception so that we can plan for numbers.

Yours faithfully



Elizabeth Bailey
Assistant Principal 14-19

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Name.....

Learning Home.....

I will/will not be attending the pathway evening on the 10th March 2010.

Signed:.....



Children's Centre

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Stay and Play 10.00am-12.00 noon Playground		Fathers Groups 9.30-11.00 am Playground	Enfield Childminding Network Group 9.30-11.30 am Playground	As from April 09 CAHMS Family Services 9.00am-12 noon
Baby Massage 10.00-12 noon Community Room		Home Start Play Group 12.45-2.45 pm Playground	Job Centre Plus: Work Focus Interviews And Housing Benefit drop in advice sessions 9.45-1.30 pm Community Room	Enfield Counselling Services 11am – 5pm Free, confidential counselling service Community Room (As from April 09 sessions will be between 12.30-5.00)
Starts Soon SOMAFAL Somalian Community Group (stay and play, advice and advocate services, drop ins) Playground	Starting March 2009 Home Start Strengthening Families and Strengthening Communities (course for parent/carers with crèche facilities) Playground and Community room		Stay and Play 2.00pm-4.00pm Playground	Job Centre Plus Every 6 weeks on a Friday morning Options & Choices events: 10.00-12 noon Community Room
			Health Visitor Drop In Sessions 2.00-4.00 pm Community Room	

Oasis Children's Centre
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 Mollison Avenue, Enfield, EN3 7XU

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