



Burlington Danes Academy Sixth Form's



# SIXTH SENSE

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20<sup>th</sup> May 2014

## BDA says goodbye to year 13

**Ms Megaw:** This Friday we said goodbye to our fifth cohort of sixth formers starting their exam timetable for the final time. For many of you, this is the end of up to seven years at BDA and included some very bittersweet moments and tearful year book notes (sorry Ruth)!

It was very touching to hear from many of you on your experiences at BDA, such as Umar's eloquent speech on how it felt to join as an external student from Manchester, Lea's tearful remembrance of the start of her athletics career through the school, Rochelle's fantastically prepared selection of stories and friendships, or Kyran's stand up comedy on what it means to be a student at BDA to name just a few.

It was fantastic to hear about these experiences and to emphasise how supportive you have been with each other over your time at BDA - we will certainly remember your year group for this caring and friendly nature.



Remember some of the key advice your tutors and Mr Fenn shared such as making the most of your opportunities- we are all completely behind you, rooting for you and here for you during the exam period, at university, at work, and beyond. BDA is still your home and here for you long after you finish your curriculum, and we look forward to sharing your successes in the summer on the 14th August and in our alumni events in the future. You will be greatly missed. Good preparation and best of luck. Ms M x



**PIC OF THE WEEK:** A boy takes a penalty during a football training at Sao Carlos favela in Rio de Janeiro. The World Cup will be held in 12 cities across Brazil.

6<sup>th</sup> Form Debating Club  
Tuesdays after school  
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This House Would  
introduce equal  
marriage to all

# Dame Sally attends celebration at Downing Street

Dame Sally joined Prime Minister David Cameron and Education Secretary Michael Gove at an event in Downing Street on Monday, celebrating excellence in state education.

Also in attendance at Number 10 were fellow ARK principal Damian McBeath, of ARK Bentworth and ARK Conway, and ARK Chief Executive Lucy Heller.

All were invited in recognition of the outstanding success of the schools and organisations that they are associated with.

Dame Sally said: "I am delighted to have been invited to Downing Street to celebrate what has so far been an excellent year for everyone involved with Burlington Danes Academy.

"I reiterated to our staff this morning, the positive attention that we receive is all thanks to their hard work and commitment. They do so much to ensure that our students have every opportunity to fulfil their potential.

"I was particularly proud to hear Mr Cameron refer



specifically to Burlington Danes in such a positive light during his speech. It's great that he is so clearly impressed with our achievements. He commented on our outstanding results and the fact that we are at the forefront of state schools."

Mr McBeath said: "It was an absolute honour to be invited to such an event. I'm delighted that the prime minister has recognised all the hard work and dedication of the pupils, staff and communities of ARK Bentworth and ARK Conway primary schools.

"With Dame Sally representing Burlington Danes at the event, this shows the strength and quality of schools in this area."



## Year 12 Key Dates:

**Last AS exam:** Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June: Maths  
**Year 12 Return to A2 Study:** Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July (4 weeks)  
**Year 12 Work Experience:** Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July

## Year 13 Key Dates:

**First A2 Exam:** Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June: History  
**Last A2 exam:** Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June: Maths  
**A level Results Day:** Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> August

We would like to congratulate all of the year 13 students who have been **awarded bursaries** to go towards their university studies. With thousands of applicants each year, competition for these is always extremely high. Details of BDA's successful applicants can be seen below:

PUPIL	BURSARY
Adekunle Awodele	Reuben Scholarship
Gianina Graham	Marshall Wace (Reuben reserve)
Zainab Ali	Marshall Wace
Yvan Atangana	Marshall Wace
Giorgi Guledani	Marshall Wace
Almas Mia	Marshall Wace
Jemma Smith	Marshall Wace
Adonay Yemaneberhan	Marshall Wace
Lia Stephenson	Unsuccessful (RESERVE LIST)
Chantell Creary	Unsuccessful (RESERVE LIST)
Frederick Gill	Unsuccessful (RESERVE LIST)
Muna limaan	Unsuccessful (RESERVE LIST)

# NOTICES AND OPPORTUNITIES



**Sixth Form Bootstrap/Lyric company:** Bootstrap volunteering opportunities available now! Email: [henry@bootstrapcompany.co.uk](mailto:henry@bootstrapcompany.co.uk)



**Sixth Form LSE Yr12 Politics Conference:** *The New Face of War and Conflict in the 21st Century.* Visit [lse.ac.uk/year12politicsconference](http://lse.ac.uk/year12politicsconference). **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June**



**Year 12 competition: Oriol College Oxford - Lloyd Davies Philosophy Prize.** Visit <http://www.oriol.ox.ac.uk/content/lloyd-davies-philosophy-prize> **Any questions about the essay please contact** Joseph Cole, admissions officer, at [admissions@oriol.ox.ac.uk](mailto:admissions@oriol.ox.ac.uk).



**First Story** work experience placements available in the summer. **Walker Books** – **Must be age 16+.** 2 placements for 1 week each, 11-15 August. **Pan Macmillan** – **Must be age 16+.** 1 placement for 1 week, 18-22 Aug. **See Mrs Tanswell or Mrs Finnett for more details.**



**University of Surrey: Summer schools** in Languages, Business and Nursing/Midwifery between 2-18 July 2014. See Miss. Megaw, Mr. Whitlock or Mrs. Tanswell for application forms. **Deadline:** Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May



**Kaplan Free Summer Schools: Test drive higher apprenticeships.** Visit [kaplanapprenticeships.co.uk/getting-started/summer-schools?](http://kaplanapprenticeships.co.uk/getting-started/summer-schools?) **Deadline:** Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May

## The University of Sussex

The University of Sussex has a reputation for individuality. Established in 1959 and one of the founding members of the prestigious 1994 Group, it spreads across a beautiful part of the East Sussex countryside. Synonymous with innovation, progressive politics and modern approaches to learning, it has been a staple in the top end of just about every ranking table for the last decade, and was nominated for University of the Year in the 2011 Times Higher Education Awards.

With excellent film and media, English, chemistry and psychology departments, to name just a few, the university boasts an extremely high percentage of students satisfied with the teaching they receive. Despite its isolated location, the campus itself is as vibrant as you could wish for. From weekend farmer's markets to film screenings and live performances, you'll never be short of things to



do in your free time. There is also an excellent library and a fantastically priced and well-equipped gym on site.

If you're not too keen on being out in the sticks, don't forget that Brighton, one of the country's coolest cities, is just a short bus ride away.