



**Globe**  
Academy

# SUMMER

## NEWSLETTER 2015

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### KEY DATES

20 August 2015	GCSE Results Day
17–21 August 2015	New Year 7 Summer School
3 September 2015	Term begins
21–25 September 2015	Year 7 Residential
26–30 October 2015	Half term
2 and 3 November 2015	INSET days (school closed)
18 December 2015	End of term

Dear parents, carers and friends of the academy,

We have come to the end of another highly successful and busy school year and the academy continues to go from strength to strength. I am sure as you read through this summer edition of our newsletter you will be amazed by the number of fantastic opportunities provided for our children and will feel proud of their numerous achievements.

Our new Year 7s have had a great time familiarising themselves with Globe on their two day induction; they also enjoyed a wonderful 'Welcome to Globe' BBQ with parents and their soon to be new teachers.

The newsletter also has articles on the many community events organised at Ark Globe Academy. We have held a secondary athletics competition in a large sports' stadium and a competitive primary Sports Day. Our primary school children also won the Ark Schools' Sports Day competition; a great achievement.

Our end of term production, 'Jason and the Argonauts', brought this year to a spectacular close. The talent both on stage and behind the scenes was amazing. Congratulations to everyone involved.

It does seem a little unfair to highlight one particular event, but our first Ark Globe Summer Fair provided us with a wonderful opportunity for our families and staff to celebrate our school with the wider local community. Everyone enjoyed a range of fun activities and stalls selling a wide variety of hand-crafted gifts. I recommend you add next year's Summer Fair date to your diaries – 16 July 2016!

At Ark Globe Academy we recognise the importance of academic achievement in helping our students gain access to the very best careers. We also believe that we are defined by how we choose to come together as a community and celebrate our successes. The contents of this newsletter should remind us all that a great school is more than just a place for academic study. A great school is the heartbeat of the local community. Just as importantly, a great school is a place where young people are given many opportunities to pursue their passions and dreams. Finally, I hope you all have a restful and enjoyable summer break.

*M Jones*

**Mr Matt Jones**  
Principal





Sabria and Diletta, Year 7, are just completing their first year in our secondary school at Ark Globe Academy. We spoke to them about their time here so far.

Hi Sabria and Diletta. Thank you for talking to me about your first year at Globe. Tell me how you felt starting secondary school here and what this year has been like?

*Sabria:* When I first came to Globe I was quite confident. We'd had a taster day and a Summer School so I'd had a few days to make friends. This year has been exhilarating.

*Diletta:* I was quite shy when I started Globe but the teachers encourage you. You can talk to anyone here and they will help you and solve your problems.

What advice would you give to someone who is starting at Globe in Year 7?

*Sabria:* I would say if you are shy don't be afraid. There is always a group of friends for you. Try new

things and start new events. Have a good time and have a growth mindset.

*Diletta:* Don't let other people's opinions get in your way. Always keep trying harder.

How would you describe Globe in three words?

*Sabria:* Opportunity, Exciting, Inspiring. We had poems and performances for Black History Month and they were great and the Head Girls are inspiring – I really look up to them!

*Diletta:* I'd say Caring, Opportunities, Confidence – the teachers here really help with this.



## WELCOMING OUR NEW YEAR 7

We are looking forward to welcoming our new Year 7 in September. These students and their families have already had chance to take part in Taster Days, joined us for a tasty Summer Year 6 Barbecue and will be making memories with their new friends on a residential trip in September.

If you have any questions about starting in September please get in touch – we are here to help! If you would like to enquire about a place for September please email [info@globeacademy.org](mailto:info@globeacademy.org)



*Our Year 6 Barbecue in June*

# THIS TERM IN PICTURES



Our Junior Leadership Team visiting the **Houses of Parliament** – inspiration for their futures!



**Building houses for the Nepal Earthquake** in our primary school.



Our Sixth Form baking cakes to **raise funds for the Nepal Earthquake**.



Year 6 pupils enjoying Alice Holt Forest during their **Enrichment Week**.



Tyrell, Delante and Elton from Globe with students from St Saviours & St Olaves representing 'Team Southwark' in the **London Youth Games** trampolining competition.



Year 8 students enjoying a **boxing session** at the Damilola Taylor Centre as part of National School Sport Week.



Valerie takes the helm of the **Multi-Storey Orchestra**.



Students developing their patience and resilience with Inspirational Youth on **Enrichment Day**.



Congratulations to our **Jack Petchey Foundation Achievement Award** winners – Year 7: Kirsten and Al-Houssen, Year 8: Muhammad, K-ci and Grace.



**Students pitch their ideas** for a new soft drink to a panel of leading Business Executives on Give & Gain Day.



**Students quiz election candidates** on the issues they care about in a debate, superbly chaired by Head Girl, Zareen at school in May.

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## OPENING UP EXCITING CAREERS



*Clockwise from left: students visited Bloomberg, UCL and attended a workshop with coach Arthur Basley.*

Our mission statement at Ark Globe Academy is 'Preparing our students for university and to be leaders in their community' and everything that we do has this mission in mind. Our Year 10 Futures Week gave our students access to a broad range of careers, opening up their minds to the industries available to them and connecting them with role models throughout the working world. The week involved workshops with professionals and workplace, cultural and university visits. Throughout the week there was a focus on professionalism and growth mindset.

We asked Rochelle in Year 10 to summarise for us some of the activities that she had been involved in during Futures Week, from a workshop with the Royal Bank of Scotland (RBS), to learning about the business of running a Premier League football club with Chelsea FC, to visiting Goldsmiths University.

**RBS workshop:** "I thought that the RBS workshop was amazing! It paved new possible careers paths for me as I'm now considering taking a degree in accounting and finance."

**Arthur Basley, Professional Coach, workshop:** "Arthur demonstrated that what we think and feel determines our state of mind, therefore changing our behaviour. This made me

### FEEDBACK ABOUT GLOBE

"The students...were lovely, well behaved, enthusiastic and engaged and above all they were really open to learning from people. My Capgemini colleagues who worked with them all day had a great day and were so enthusiastic about your students."

**Capgemini UK**

"Great morning at Ark Globe Academy – a fantastic school with great results!"

**Christen Dali, RBS**

*And finally we had this feedback from a member of the public who bumped into our students:*

"Last Thursday, while travelling to Charing Cross (Trafalgar Square) on the Bakerloo line a party of your students boarded the train. Later, I saw the party around Trafalgar Square. Perhaps they were en route to a nearby Art Gallery.

The courtesy and behaviour displayed by the whole party made each student a great ambassador of your school. It's a pleasure to report this back to you."

**JW, from Harrow**

approach situations with a different aspect as I'm more able to have control over what I'm feeling by managing what I'm thinking."

**Goldsmiths University trip:** "Goldsmiths was an intriguing visit as we got to tour the campus and also experience what a lecture is like."

**Chelsea FC:** "It was interesting to view Chelsea as a worldwide brand."

**Cultural Capital trip:** "Learning about the Magna Carta was the best thing. It was interesting to learn about our past political system that may have influenced laws that are in place today."

## FEEDBACK FROM STUDENTS

"Lend Lease opened my eyes to many jobs I would not have thought of." Said Herietta.

The Lend Lease visit "inspired me to take on Architecture and fed me with information that I had no idea of." Said Remi.

## BUSINESS BREAKFAST

Alongside Futures Week we also ran our first Ark Globe Academy Business Breakfast where we invited business leaders into the school to discuss the role business can play across education and employment. This initiative aims to create strong links with business to help inspire and prepare our students for their futures. Our guests heard inspirational speeches from Ochuku, Year 12, our Principal and guest speaker, Paul Marshall, Chairman, Ark Schools and Lead Non-Executive Director, Department of Education, before touring the school, meeting our students and sharing the advice that they would have like to give to their 16 year old self.



## OUR NEW STUDENT LEADERS



Congratulations to our new Head Boy, Carlin and Head Girl, Rachel, Deputy Head Boy, Anfal and Deputy Head Girl, Goodness, who started their roles this term.

Anfal said of his new position: "This school has always felt like a second home, making me improve into a leader. If you asked me a year ago to speak in front of hundreds of students in the Pentagon I would have run away just at the thought of it but it just shows how far I've come."

You can watch Carlin's spoken word on Growth Mindset which he performed as part of his Head Boy campaign on our website:

[www.arkglobeacademy.org/node/36846](http://www.arkglobeacademy.org/node/36846)

## HALL OF ACHIEVEMENT

The latest students to be recognised in our Globe 'Hall of Achievement' are Ingars Putnins, Zahraa Esayed, Seher Saglam, Kubrom Tsehaye, Abdul Gbajabiamila, Asad Mumin, Rodrigo Perez Del Palomar and our staff member is Ms Sookun.

The Hall of Achievement recognises children and staff who are going the extra mile to achieve their goals, or demonstrating excellent leadership and a growth mindset.

## CREATIVE WORDS TAKE FLIGHT

In May a group of lucky Year 7 students took part in a Creative Writing workshop with writer, Sandra Agard. Each student was guided to put their own memories and experiences onto paper, using all of their senses as a source of inspiration. The students then shared their writing with the group. Here is Teleema Gambai's poem:

*I see a world of emptiness up there,  
With mystical pegasi,  
Taking flight,  
Those yellow dots hovering up there,  
Create that spitting image,  
Called a sky.*

# PERFORMING TO 2,000 PEOPLE AT THE ARK MUSIC GALA



Forty five students from Ark Globe Academy took to one of the world's most iconic stages in a musical extravaganza on Tuesday 30 June.

Students sang for an audience of 2,000 people at London's Barbican Centre as part of the Ark Music Gala.

Globe joined 30 other Ark schools from London, Birmingham, Hastings and Portsmouth, all of which have been working to create inspiring musical pieces for the event.

The students were part of a group of over 750 musicians – including a massed choir of 400 voices – who performed a rich variety of repertoire including music from the Tudor era, a Russian folk song and contemporary pop hits like Ella Henderson's 'Ghost'.

Sabria and Diletta from Year 7 took part in the event. Diletta said: "I really enjoyed the Gala and the experience of doing a concert. I'm in the Ignite choir and my favourite part of the Gala was the song we all wrote together. We all came up with words and the message was not to give up on things. It's a great message to people."

Sabria said: "Last night was amazing. I loved doing some of the older songs. My favourite part was when the primary schools sang 'Glorious,' it was really uplifting."

"The practice is hard. Our teachers push us so that we can shine on that stage. You have to feel the music. Life's a climb but the view is great when you reach the target."

Ms Masterson said: "The results of a year of hard work and practice have definitely paid off. This has been the best yet! The standard just keeps getting higher each year."

"We are very proud of our students across the academy from Year 3 to Year 10. They have been great ambassadors for us. We have watched them grow in maturity and confidence as well as musical ability. We are very thankful to be able to provide such a fantastic opportunity to our students."

Margaret O'Shea, Director of Music at Ark, said: "All those involved in the Music Gala have worked enormously hard over the past weeks and months preparing for the concert."

"One of the great delights of our music programme is to see the personal growth of these remarkable young musicians as they embark on the journey of singing in a choir or learning to master an instrument."

"It is a huge privilege to see our students perform with such confidence and skill on a stage that regularly showcases the London Symphony Orchestra and the Royal Shakespeare Company."

# AN EPIC PERFORMANCE

## JASON AND THE ARGONAUTS



Students from across the academy wowed the audience with their stunning performance of Jason and the Argonauts in a final Performing Arts showcase of the year.

The production offered comedy, music and adventure and involved a cast of over 50 students from primary, secondary and sixth form. It was not only with acting that our students' talents were being displayed as the performance was supported by a 30 strong student choir, live student band and the school brass and string ensembles.

Back stage students were also busy working with their teachers to control the lighting, cue the music and designing and making the set. The whole production displayed the wealth of talent that we have amongst our students at Ark Globe Academy.

Huge congratulations to everyone and many thanks to our staff who worked hard to bring the performance to life.



### YEAR 6 PERFORM THE TEMPEST



Year 6 worked extremely hard after their SATs to put on an exceptional performance of Shakespeare's 'The Tempest'. The story tells a tale of love, betrayal and magic and was portrayed beautifully through song, dance and some outstanding acting from the young people involved. Well done!



# SPORTING STARS



## ARK PRIMARY SPORTS DAY CHAMPIONS

Our primary school children are celebrating after winning the Ark Schools Primary Sports Day. Taking part in events including a 60m race, egg and spoon race, sack race, long jump and throwing, the girls and boys from Year 2 to Year 6 managed to get in the top three for each event they took part in. The day finished with relay races which were really exciting and incredibly fast. Globe were ecstatic to bring back the trophy.

Naomi, Year 6, said: "It was amazing and we all tried really hard. We won the whole event!"

Ms Palfreyman said: "On top of their sporting abilities they did us proud with their 'Globe Chants' and were really good sports throughout the day."



## BMX STARS

15 students from Ark Globe Academy recently completed an 8 week BMX course run by Peckham BMX Club. The Club is one of the most famous in the country and has produced stars including Olympic Development Rider, Tre Whyte and 2012 World Champion, Quillan Isidore. Our students received expert coaching and after learning all of the basic skills, were soon racing on one of the largest and most challenging BMX tracks in the UK. The students who were involved demonstrated outstanding effort, courage and resilience throughout the course and could well be our BMX stars of the future!

## SECONDARY SPORTS DAY

On Friday 19 June 2015, we held our first Sports Day at Croydon Athletics Arena. All students from Years 7, 8 and 9 competed in the 70m Hurdles, 50m and 100m Sprints, 200m, 300m, 400m, 600m, 800m, 4x100m Relay, High Jump, Long Jump, Discus, Javelin and Shot Put.

All students who won their event received a gold medal and one boy and girl from each year group, who had performed consistently well across the day and had won multiple events, were selected for 'Outstanding Sportsperson' awards. These went to:

Year 7: **Toibu Lawal and Precious Garuba**

Year 8: **Tyler Buckley-Phillips and Answer Ogbonnaya**

Year 9: **Francois Kablan and Bianca Alexander**

This was also the penultimate event for the Elbrus vs McKinley year-long tournament. McKinley were the champions with 14,560 points to Elbrus' 12,665. Well done McKinley.



## ARK SCHOOLS ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

In July students in KS3 displayed their talents at the Ark Schools Athletics Championships at Crystal Palace National Sports Arena. 300 students from 13 different Ark schools competed in the events with many of our students coming in the top three across the events. Special congratulations to those students who won their events:

Year 7: **Mohamed Fofanah (100m), Toibu Lawal (Hurdles), Mohamed Fofanah (Javelin)**

Year 8: **Margaret Ali (Hurdles), Ofure Toweh (300m), Jamal Bangura (High Jump — he cleared 1.65m which is 4cm short of the national standard!)**

Year 9: **Buchi Orlu (Long Jump), Kubrom Tsehaye (Javelin), Cassandra Assahene (100m).**



## CAMPING, COOKING, CLIMBING

In June our PE Department took 28 Year 9 and Year 10 students to Blacklands Farm Activity Centre, East Grinstead. The students slept under the stars in tents they put up themselves, before cooking each other breakfast, lunch and dinner. The students also went searching for firewood and had their first ever toasted marshmallow experience – needless to say the marshmallows disappeared very quickly!

Their hearty breakfasts powered them for orienteering in the woods, abseiling, archery, rock climbing and canoeing. Our students were really supportive of each other referring to having a growth mindset and encouraging those who were hesitant to take part in activities such as the climbing activity.



### CHELSEA FC FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

On 1 July we hosted a Primary School Football Tournament in conjunction with coaches from Chelsea FC. Teams from Grange Primary School, Goodrich Primary School, Comber Grove Primary School, John Ruskin Primary School, Crawford Primary School, Cathedral Primary School, Snowsfield Primary School, Riverside Primary School, Charles Darwin Primary School, Globe Academy Primary, St Georges Catholic Primary School took part in the event.

Huge congratulations to Grange Primary who won the girls' tournament and to Goodrich Primary who won the boys' tournament. All children displayed excellent behaviour and sportsmanship throughout. A big 'thank you' also to the Chelsea FC coaches and to our Year 9 and 10 students who helped to run the event.



Year 10 girls got active at a 'This Girl Can' day at Millwall FC trying out new skills in soccer and korfbal.

### FABULOUS FOOTBALL FROM YEAR 7

*Mr Bellamy says:* Joining in September the new Year 7s came together as a team almost instantly. With over 40 boys turning up to training every week, squad places were always under contention. This year we were 'runner up' in the South London 5-side competition, narrowly losing out in the final minutes and in all of our finals (two semis and one quarter) we lost by a whisker. The boys have had a fantastic season and have worked extremely hard in developing and progressing. I am a very proud teacher and manager and I look forward to helping them go that one step further next year!

### PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL PARTNERS

Our students have had the opportunity to work with both Chelsea FC and Fulham FC this year. Our partnerships with the organisations give our children access to opportunities such as enterprise days, coaching and stadium tours. We also run an Elite Development Centre with Fulham FC where local Southwark children with outstanding potential attend weekly training sessions with coaches on our state-of-the-art 3G pitch.



# POLICE CHIEF FACES GRILLING

## STUDENTS DISCUSS BIG ISSUES



*Clockwise from left: students with the Commissioner, asking tricky questions, our reporters Almira and Zoish with the Commissioner.*

The Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police Service, Sir Bernard Hogan-Howe was interviewed in June by our students for this newsletter, with students writing questions about the issues they cared about. It gave our students the chance to challenge Britain's most senior officer face-to-face.

Matt Jones, Principal, said: "This was a fantastic opportunity for our students to get their views across to Britain's most senior officer and for him to hear from the young people of Southwark. Our students are working hard with our community to make it a safe place for everyone."

Almira and Zoish were our reporters. Here is their article:

### **Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police visits Globe!**

On Friday 5 June 2015, the Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police London, Sir Bernard Hogan-Howe came to visit Globe Academy.

He had previously come to the school and was intrigued by his visit so kept his promise by returning to answer questions from students in Year 9 and 10.

Sir Bernard Hogan-Howe explained to the students his usual day at work, which consists of a lot of reading as well as what he looks for in a good police officer. He said, "Every day at work is different; we all have to work as a team and show commitment in order for our job to be successful."

He then spoke about the cuts that the Metropolitan Police have to make in the future, however he reassured us that they will not negatively impact our lives and wellbeing.

Our Head Girl Rachel suggested to the Commissioner that the police should listen to youths more and he heavily agreed with the idea and suggested some students may be interested in joining the young cadet's scheme, which encourages the youth in sport and cultural activities as well as teaching them discipline and core values.

After all questions were answered, students had pictures taken with the Commissioner and everyone was glad to have met him and had learnt a great deal from him.

## PROM KINGS AND QUEENS

Our Year 11 celebrated the end of exams at their Masquerade Prom. Our students looked fantastic at the event at the Hilton Riverside.



## GLOBE GROWTH



### STUDENTS HELP COMBAT SOCIAL ISOLATION

Students hosted ‘Communi-tea’ events this term where elderly members of the local community were invited to join them at school for afternoon tea. Residents from the Tower Bridge care home, members of the Black Elderly Group Southwark and Trinity Social Club, a group for those who feel socially isolated, came to share their stories and talk about local history with the students.

The ‘Communi-tea’ has been set up by students to help combat the isolation that older people in our community can feel. The students were prompted to act by the knowledge that loneliness and isolation have been found to be triggers of poor physical and mental health, especially in the elderly.

Guests at the first event were entertained by the beautiful singing of Year 9 music students Camilla and Lilla, with one guest saying it was ‘much better than anything she had heard on Britain’s Got Talent’. Students served tea and scones, played board games and chatted about what school used to be like and what they would ask the Prime Minister if they had the chance.

Sarah, Year 9 said: “It took me a little while to come out of my shell, but I learnt a lot once I did and found it really interesting. I’d definitely like to do something like this again.”

We are committed to being an active member of our local community and the ‘Communi-tea’ forms part of an ongoing project which engages students with members of the community that they might not otherwise meet. We are working with Fellows from the organisation ‘Year Here’ to create meaningful and lasting links with the local area via initiatives such as the ‘Communi-tea’ and our new partnership with Southwark Foodbank.

At Globe we believe that success comes through trying over and over again and not being afraid to make mistakes. This is described as having a growth mindset rather than a fixed mindset.

We have had some VIP visitors to Globe this term, from world-class athletes Colin Jackson and Donovan Bailey, Fulham FC manager Kit Symons, to the Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police. We have asked each of them for their personal experience around success and failure.



*Colin Jackson and Donovan Bailey told students: “Don’t be afraid of failure. Failure is a simple part of the journey” when they visited the academy as part of their ‘Go Dad Run’ initiative before coaching some of our lucky students on their hurdling technique.*



*“Use knocks in life to drive you. You learn more through your failures than through your successes” said Kit Symons, First Team Manager, Fulham FC, in a special assembly, delivered as part of our Elite Development Centre partnership with the Championship Club. Kit spoke to the children about how having the right attitude and mentality is as equally important as the talent needed to be successful in life. He also coached the children on our school 3G pitch.*



# A FAMILY CELEBRATION

## OUR FIRST SUMMER FAIR

On Saturday 11 July we held our first Ark Globe Academy Summer Fair. It was a fantastic celebration of our school and local community.

Colourful stalls and games surrounded our playground with activities ranging from our English Department's 'Around the Globe Treasure Hunt', which tested people's knowledge of Shakespeare, A 'Beat the Goalie' with Chelsea FC, a Mexican Piñata and the very popular 'Sponge the Teacher' in which Mr Haines, Vice Principal, took commitment to the school to another level!

Our students were fantastic ambassadors for the school creating and running stalls themselves and selling items that they had made. People enjoyed fantastic cakes, a BBQ and international food whilst dancing along to our students' music and dance performances. Our multi-talented teachers also showcased their skills by painting faces and nails for lots of excited children.

We would like to thank all our staff for their hard work in supporting the event and our event supporters for their generosity that contributed to the success of the fair: Cubix Estate Agents, The Cooperative, Hilton Docklands Riverside, White Hall Clothiers, Capita Security and Chelsea FC.



### SMALL ACT. BIG DIFFERENCE

We know that our community of parents and carers have lots of skills that they could share with our students and use to help our school. Could you spend an hour reading with our primary school children? Run a stall at our Summer fair? Help to create school displays? Support a local family with translation help? Or speak to our children about your career?

If you think you, or the business you work for, could help us to make a difference to the lives of our young people please get in touch with Harriet Stokes, [h.stokes@globeacademy.org](mailto:h.stokes@globeacademy.org)



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