

# COLASP

# WEEKLY BULLETIN



## KEY DATES



**4TH FEBRUARY - NO ADDITIONAL STUDIES/STUDY CLUB**

**5TH FEBRUARY - SENCO COFFEE MORNING 9AM-10AM**

**11TH FEBRUARY - YEAR 7 RESIDENTIAL TRIP INFORMATION EVENING  
5PM - 5:30PM**

**17TH - 21ST FEBRUARY - HALF TERM**

**24TH FEBRUARY- ACADEMY CLOSED/ INSET DAY**

**25TH FEBRUARY- YEAR 8 & 9 PARENT DAY APPOINTMENTS (NO  
LESSONS/ACADEMY CLOSED)**

# TERM DATES & CONTACTS

## TERM DATES 2024/2025

### **Autumn Term 2024**

28th October -1st November **Half Term**

29th November **School Closed**

19th December **Last Day of Term**

### **Spring Term 2024**

6th January **First Day of Term**

17th-21st February **Half Term**

24th February - **INSET DAY/ ACADEMY CLOSED**

25th February - **Year 9 Parent Day Appointments/ ACADEMY CLOSED**

4th April **Last day of Spring Term**

### **Summer Term 2025**

22nd April **First day of Summer Term**

26th-30th May **Half Term**

9th June - **Year 6 Admissions Interviews & Pastoral Day**

3rd July - **Year 6 Induction Day**

4th July - **INSET DAY/ ACADEMY CLOSED**

18th July **Last Day of Term**

## HEADS OF YEAR CONTACT DETAILS

Year 7 - a.iloanya@shoreditch.cola.org.uk

Year 8 - m.mcvey@shoreditch.cola.org.uk

Year 9 - l.rowlands@shoreditch.cola.org.uk

Year 10- j.mayes@shoreditch.cola.org.uk

Year 11 - w.bratcliffe@shoreditch.cola.org.uk

**If you have any questions or concerns, you must always contact your child's head of year in the first instance.**



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## TOP MERIT WINNERS



A HUGE CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE STUDENTS LISTED BELOW:

1ST	2ND	3RD
McDonagh, Frank (7)	Onyango, Eliana-Marie (7)	Okyere, Marcus (7)
Akanbi, Samad (8)	Da Costa Dias, Genaya (8)	Kontoh, Miranda (8)
Webb, Lucy (9)	Hajat ,Adam (9)	Amini, Baheer (9)
Bloomfield, Alfie (10)	Paitoo, Ivy (10)	Announ, Benyoucef (10)



## TOP ATTENDANCE WINNERS



W/C 3RD FEBRUARY 2025



**GOLD**

10CA 95%



**SILVER**

8AL 84%



**BRONZE**

11BI 89%

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### OFSTED

Dear Parent/Carer,

Thank you for all your support with the Ofsted inspection this week. We are very pleased with the result. The official report will be published within approximately 4 weeks.

Your children were exceptional during the inspection and we are extremely proud of them.

**With warm wishes,  
Ms Arles**

### COLASP SPORTS

The **Year 9 football team** have reached the LONDON CUP SEMI-FINAL after a **18-0 WIN AGAINST MOSSBOURNE!**

Netball Fixtures planned VS Excelsior away games

06/02/2025	Netball	Y8 X 2 squads	Excelsior	3.30pm	SRM/SDY	Public transport		Excelsior
13/02/2025	Netball	Y7 & 10	Excelsior	3.45pm	SRM/SDY	PT		Excelsior

## VACCINATIONS 2024/25

Dear Parent/Carer,

We work in partnership with Vaccination UK and the NHS to deliver vaccinations in school. We will be running our DTP and Meningitis Vaccinations for **Year 9 students on the 4th February.**

To provide or decline consent for your child to receive the vaccination, please complete the online form at:  
<https://london.schoolvaccination.uk/dtp/2024/cityandhackney>

Even if you do not wish for your child to have the vaccine, you must complete the online form so that the vaccination team is clear about your wishes. The school is unable to accept parental consent on your behalf, this can only be done through the link above.

Please see the attached letter and leaflet for more information about the vaccine and any other frequently asked questions.

Kind regards,

Ms Dyer

Higher Level Teaching Assistant - KS3 Lead & School Medical Needs Coordinator

### Td/IPV and Meningitis ACWY vaccination for pupils in Year 9

Your child is now due for their Td/IPV booster and Meningitis ACWY vaccination.

To give consent for your child to have these vaccines, please click here:  
<https://london.schoolvaccination.uk/dtp/2024/cityandhackney>

If you do not complete a consent form, your child may be able to give self-consent. You may also be contacted by the vaccination team on the day by phone.

Please only complete ONE FORM per child.

The consent form needs to be signed by a person with parental responsibility. See FAQs below for more details.

Young people under the age of 16 can give or refuse consent themselves if considered competent to do so by nursing staff.

**If your child has had this immunisation elsewhere after you have submitted the consent form, you MUST inform Vaccination UK, or your child's school.**

We try to come to your child's school twice. Children who are absent on these days will need to attend one of our community-based clinics – these can be found on our website.

For more information, please go to our website, where you can find a list of FAQs or visit our [YouTube](#) page. We also have some FAQs below.

**Td/IPV VACCINE**

- Prevents tetanus, diphtheria and polio
- Is routinely offered on the NHS to pupils in Year 9

**MENINGITIS ACWY VACCINE**

- Protects against meningitis A, C, W and Y
- Meningitis is dangerous swelling of the lining around the brain and spinal cord. It can be very serious, even fatal.
- Please see our FAQs for more information, or head to our website [www.schoolvaccination.uk](http://www.schoolvaccination.uk)

Has your child had two doses of MMR (Measles/Mumps/Rubella)?

All children should receive two doses of MMR, at age 1 and then again at 3 years, 4 months. If your child has not had two doses, they may not be fully protected. We can offer an MMR booster at the same time as the Td/IPV and MenACWY. If you answer 'no' to the question 'has your child had two doses of MMR vaccine', one of our Nurses will be in touch to offer this.

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**Q. WHAT IS TETANUS?**  
Tetanus is a painful disease affecting the nervous system which can lead to muscle spasms, cause breathing problems, and can kill. It is caused when germs found in the soil and manure get into the body through open cuts or burns. Tetanus cannot be passed from person to person.

**Q. WHAT IS DIPHTHERIA?**  
Diphtheria is a serious disease that usually begins with a sore throat and can quickly cause breathing problems. It can damage the heart and nervous system, and in severe cases, it can kill.

**Q. WHAT IS POLIO?**  
Polio is a virus that attacks the nervous system which can cause permanent paralysis of muscles. If it affects the chest muscles or the brain, polio can kill. The teenage booster vaccine is called Revaxis. You can read more about the vaccine here: [www.medicines.org.uk/lemc/files/pil.5581.pdf](http://www.medicines.org.uk/lemc/files/pil.5581.pdf)

**Q. WHAT ARE MENINGITIS AND SEPTICAEMIA?**  
Meningitis is dangerous swelling of the lining around the brain and spinal cord. It can be the result of infection with bacteria or a virus or as a result of injury.

Septicaemia is when bacteria enter the bloodstream and cause blood poisoning which can trigger sepsis. Sepsis is an overwhelming and life-threatening immune response to any infection and can lead to tissue damage, organ failure and death.

Meningococcal disease can cause both meningitis and septicaemia. It can lead to life-changing disabilities such as amputations, hearing loss, brain damage and scars. You can read more about the meningitis ACWY vaccine here: [www.medicines.org.uk/lemc/files/pil.4118.pdf](http://www.medicines.org.uk/lemc/files/pil.4118.pdf)

**CONSENT INFORMATION**

The consent form needs to be signed by a person with parental responsibility which includes:

- Mother: automatic
- Father: if married to the mother either when baby is born or marries subsequently
- Unmarried father: if name appears on birth certificate (since 1/12/03) or legally acquired
- Others: if parental responsibility is legally acquired
- Parental Responsibility Agreement: signed, properly witnessed and sent for registration to Principle Registry or the Family Division (High Court)
- Residence Order: granted by the Court

Please note that young people under the age of 16 can give or refuse consent if considered competent to do so by nursing staff.

**Q. WHY DOES MY CHILD NEED THIS VACCINE?**  
The national immunisation programme has meant that dangerous diseases, such as polio, have disappeared in the UK. But these diseases could come back – they are still around in many countries throughout the world. In the UK, such diseases are kept at bay by the high immunisation rates.


**Q. IF MY CHILD WAS IMMUNISED AGAINST TETANUS, DIPHTHERIA AND POLIO AS A CHILD, ARE THEY STILL FULLY PROTECTED?**  
No, to follow the UK immunisation schedule, your son or daughter will still need a booster to provide protection against these diseases.

**Q. ARE THERE SIDE EFFECTS FROM THESE VACCINES?**  
It is common to get some swelling, redness or tenderness where you have the injection. Sometimes a small painless lump develops, but this usually disappears in a few weeks. More serious effects are rare but include fever, headache, dizziness, feeling sick and swollen glands. You may experience side effects from the MMR vaccine for up to six weeks after the immunisation. The symptoms are similar to those caused by the diseases, but much milder. Speak to your school nurse or doctor if you are at all concerned.

**HACKNEY IMMUNISATION TEAM**

[hackney@v-uk.co.uk](mailto:hackney@v-uk.co.uk)  
0207 613 9146

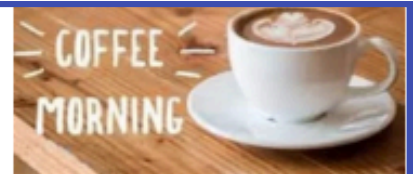
Our 2023/24 policy can be viewed here: [www.schoolvaccination.uk/privacy-policy](http://www.schoolvaccination.uk/privacy-policy)  
For data protection queries, please contact: [dp@vaccinationuk.co.uk](mailto:dp@vaccinationuk.co.uk)



## SENDCO

**SEND COFFEE MORNING  
5TH FEBRUARY  
9AM-10AM**

### **SEND Coffee Morning**



**The SEND team would warmly invite you to the coffee morning next week  
Wednesday 5th February at 9 - 10am.**

This event hosted by the SEND team is an opportunity for you to meet the wider professional team, gain a greater understanding of every role in the extended SEND team and take away some practical advice as to how you can continue the support at home.

#### **In attendance will be:**

Dr Fintan McCullagh - Educational Psychologist and our Wellbeing and Mental Health (WAMHS) lead.  
Christie Ghent - Child and Educational Psychologist  
Annabel Mills, Emma Wawrow - Speech and Language Therapist  
Jane Beavis - Specialist teacher  
Sandra Smith-Greer - Hackney EHCP coordinator

#### **Please use the link below to sign up:**

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1cGtbUiZK2V6XvjPwie7aSjx-9\\_EA1ilqQL1HHihyLho/edit](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1cGtbUiZK2V6XvjPwie7aSjx-9_EA1ilqQL1HHihyLho/edit)

We look forward to welcoming you!

Warm regards,

SEND team

[send@shoreditch.cola.org.uk](mailto:send@shoreditch.cola.org.uk)

**ENGLISH**



Dear Parent/Carer,

Over the past few weeks, students in years 7- 10 have been completing their reading assessments using our new programme, Reading Plus. This allows us to determine their reading ages and assign weekly online vocabulary and reading tasks tailored to their needs.

Engaging with Reading Plus will help students improve their reading age and vocabulary skills, supporting their learning across all subjects and benefiting them in the future.

Please note that students must complete 4 Reading Lessons and 1 Vocabulary lesson each week, with a deadline of Sunday at 11:59 PM. For more information, please check your emails as a letter has been sent to all Years 7- 10 parents.

Please see below the link to reading plus  
<https://student.readingplus.com/seereader/api/sec/login>

Kind regards,

**Mr. Latty**  
**Learning Resource Manager**



## HACKNEY COLLEIGATE SIXTH FORM COLLEGE

### SIXTH FORM APPLICATIONS

Applications are live until **14th February 2025**. Please use the following link to apply:

<https://applicaaone.com/schools/35632>

**FOR enquiries regarding sixth form please email [enquiries@hcs@cola.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@hcs@cola.org.uk)**

### GHANA TRIP 2025

Our A Level students study a unit called African Kingdoms, which examines what precolonial African kingdoms were like. We have been fortunate to win a grant that will pay the majority of the costs for our A Level students to visit Ghana in June. If you are the parent of a sixth form student you will have received an email with the link to a form to complete if interested.

If you haven't received it, please contact the sixth form team.

**Mr Smyth**

### UK ANNUAL CHEMISTRY OLYMPIAD

On Friday 24th January, 6 of our Year 13 Chemistry students took part in round one of the UK Annual Chemistry Olympiad. This was a unique opportunity for students to push themselves and excel in the Chemistry field. It provided them with an opportunity to develop critical problem-solving skills, learn to think more creatively and test their knowledge in new real-world situations. Questions this year focused on Agarwood, the reactions involved in Clay Pigeon shooting in the 2024 Olympics and even Paddington Bear. Charlie XCXs BrAT summer got involved in the challenge. If successful in round one, students could find themselves representing to UK in the prestigious International Chemistry Olympiad.

Thank you

### Y13 HOXTON CINEMA TRIP

Y13 English students went to see Nosferatu at the Hoxton Cinema last night as part of their Gothic Literature course.



**EXTRACURRICULAR TIMETABLE**  
**(3:30PM-4:30PM)**

**MONDAYS**

Year 7 & 8 Girls Football  
Key Stage 4 & 5 Netball  
ECU creative/narrative writing and Dungeons and Dragons club  
Year 11 Spanish intervention (every other week)  
KS4 Quizlet club - vocabulary practice

**WEDNESDAYS**

Badminton (all)  
Table Tennis (all)  
Year 9 Boys Football  
Art Homework Club  
Senior Choir  
Debate Mate and Oracy  
Dungeons and Dragons Narrative Building

**THURSDAYS**

Key Stage 3 Netball  
Year 9,10 & 11 Girls Football  
Orchestra

**FRIDAYS**

Year 7 & 8 Boys Football  
Coding/Gaming Club  
Music Rehearsals

**BEFORE SCHOOL 8AM - 8:35AM**

Fitness club is held on Mondays, Wednesdays & Thursdays  
with the PE Department

## ATTENDANCE

We cannot emphasise enough the importance of your child's attendance at school for their achievement. Our attendance target for every child is a minimum of **97% attendance** because evidence shows that students who miss school, miss out on achieving the GCSE results they are capable of. Consistent attendance ensures that they don't miss out on valuable instruction, critical interactions, and essential building blocks for academic success. We appreciate your support in making sure your child is present and ready to learn every day.



## APPOINTMENTS

- Appointments should be made outside of school hours where possible.
- **Only half a day will be authorised for most appointments.**
- If an appointment has to be taken during school hours, parents/carers must inform us before the appointment date or in the morning before 8.40 am.
- Please also let us know what time the student will be in school after the appointment or what time they have to leave.
- **Students in Years 7-10 must be picked up from school** if they have to leave early for an appointment.
- Students can only leave for an appointment if the parent/carer has informed us beforehand.
- Parents/carers must provide proof of appointments - Proof examples: a screenshot of the appointment email or message, a letter from the GP/Dentist, or an appointment card. The student can bring this to hand into reception on arrival from an appointment, or it can be emailed to attendance.

## ABSENCES

Parents/Carers must inform us before **8:40am** every day their child is absent: please include full name, tutor group and details of the reason for absence. The child cannot call to report themselves absent.

If the student will be absent for an extended period of time; e.g. due to illness or surgery recovery; parents/carers must provide evidence of advice from the doctor that states the amount of time the student will be off school.

## PUNCTUALITY

- Students are expected to be in school before **8:37am**, at which time they should be lining up for Period 1.
- If a student arrives when the gate has closed, they are late for school and will receive a punctuality detention.
- Registers close at **9:15am** - if a student arrives late, after **9:15am**, they will be marked with an unauthorised absence mark. This will affect the child's attendance.

Detentions will be set for the following day after the student is late If they are Late for...

...the 1st time that term : **Yellow (20 minutes)** detention the next day

...the 2nd time that term : **Amber (40 minutes)** the next day

...the 3rd time that term : **Red ( 80 minutes )** the next day

...more than 3 times that term: Every time the student is late after the 3rd time they will receive a Red detention the next day.

## BEHAVIOUR

The Behaviour Team provides daily support with parental enquiries about behaviour and detentions. To discuss your queries, please call the Academy on 020 3011 2162 and select **Option 3**; alternatively, you can email the behaviour team to support at:

**[behaviour@shoreditch.cola.org.uk](mailto:behaviour@shoreditch.cola.org.uk)**

## SENDCO

If you think your child might have SEND, you should first contact their teachers to find out more about your child's attainment and progress. If your child's teacher has further concerns, they will make a referral to the Special educational needs and disabilities coordinator.

Support your child can receive:

Your child may be eligible for the following:

### **SEN support - support given in school, like speech therapy**

Parents can send any documents/referrals directly to the SEN department.

**[SEND@SHOREDITCH.COLA.ORG.UK](mailto:SEND@SHOREDITCH.COLA.ORG.UK)**

**An education, health and care (EHC) plan - a plan of care for children and young people aged up to 25 who have more complex needs**

## SAFEGUARDING

The City of London Academy Shoreditch Park Safeguarding Team  
If you have any concerns about a child's welfare or safety, please speak to a member of the school's safeguarding team.

**MR IAN WRIGHT— DESIGNATED SAFEGUARDING LEAD (DSL)**

**[I.WHITE@SHOREDITCH.COLA.ORG.UK](mailto:I.WHITE@SHOREDITCH.COLA.ORG.UK)**

**MS HARRIET DUTHIE / MS TAMSIN ADDY - DEPUTY DESIGNATED SAFEGUARDING LEAD (DDSL)**

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If you need more urgent support, you can telephone  
ChildLine (number: 0800 1111) or  
text Shout (number: 85258)