



Friday, 13th May 2016



ROKEBY RECORDER

DARE TO BE THE BEST

BLACKOUT PERFORMANCE

The year 10 GCSE drama group at Rokeby School performed their first play last week. The play was called Blackout and it is inspired by the true stories of a young offender from Glasgow, a 15 year old who had committed a violent crime. It's a hard-hitting play about getting bullied, fighting back, trying to make a name for yourself, turning vicious, doing something stupid, losing everything, then finding your way again.

The story starts when a young Glasgow boy wakes up in a prison cell one morning and can't remember how he got there, or what he has done to merit being locked up. Gradually it all comes flooding back. It's a familiar tale of grim life on a tower-block estate: a wife-beating dad, a granddad dying of cancer, isolation and an addiction to violent movies. The question is not where did it all go wrong, but how could it possibly ever go right? Inspired by the true-life story of a Glasgow young offender now on probation for attempted murder, Davey Anderson's short, sharp shocker of play has a spiky edginess that always kept the audiences interested.

Alex Lacatus who played the part of James said of the role, "I had to connect with the audience and express my emotions at all times. This meant that I really had to live the role to get to know how James felt. It was really challenging for me and I had to take risks so that the audience would experience a play they wouldn't forget".

Head of drama Gerry Canning who directed the performance said of the play, "the challenge with Blackout was to get the audi-



ence to understand how a young man could end hooked in a mire of violence and fascism and still feel something for him. Because the boys attacked this piece with such courage and commitment and genuine risk-taking, it was impossible not to".

Congratulations To Our New Student Leaders!



And our new leader:

Bassam Ahmed



Vice Leader: Marcel Zielonka

Deputy Leaders:
Yuness Lounis
&
Bilal Hayat

Marcel Zielonka



Yuness Lounis



Bilal Hayat

Our Values: Respect, Success, Passion for Learning, Personal Challenge, Harmony

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: Think before you act.

Newham borough athletics

The following boys participated in the biggest athletics competition in East London held at the Terence Macmillan stadium on Friday, 5th May 2016. A good effort by Ayo Onibudo 10B, Owen Rami 10R, Arturas Bagucian-skas 10K, Marcus Francis 10Y, Mathew Achuba 10R, Kwei Abloso 10O, Kamal Ashby 10B, Mulamba Kalombo 9Y, Hayyan Hassan 9E, Abdoulaye Diallo 9B, Ibrahim Khamis 9Y, Agostino So Nanque Junior 8R, Gideon Akpoylbo 8B, Gabriel Mageto 8B, Claudiu-Christian Tudorascu 8O, Giarif Ali 8O, Sulaksman Mukanthan 7Y, Marley Francis 7B, Temi Oni-Johnson 7B, Luc-Yoan Boni 7O, Habeeb Shittu 7O, Louay Daoudi 7O and Giovanni Silvetre 7O.

Well done to Deolindo Dos Santos Lima 9B who won bronze in the high jump, jumping at a height of 1.50m ; Adrian Bocos Roca 10B who won gold for the triple jump; Jahzion Quammie 7B who won bronze in javelin; Enoch Koomsom who won silver in the 200m and Reece Lukombo 7B who won a silver in high jump. What outstanding performances by the boys who achieved these medals!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Friday 27th May:
Y11 Graduation

**Monday 30th May -
Friday 3rd June :**
Half term holiday

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

Did you know:
90% attendance = 1/2 day missed every week.

90% attendance over one school year = 4 whole weeks of missed lessons!

How is YOUR tutor group doing?

Congratulations this week go to:

8O with the best attendance at 100%
&

8Y with the best punctuality at 99.46%

WORD OF THE WEEK

This week our word of the week is

Distribute

Can you find the meaning of this word and make a sentence? Once you have, come to the library and see Ms Hendrickson for a merit.