

Friday 30th June 2017



ROKEBY RECORDER

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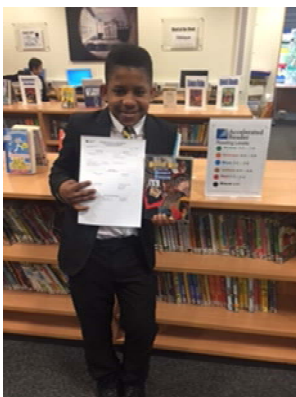
Students from across Year 9 have been getting a taste of the world of work and an idea of possible career options by visiting top City firms Pinsent Masons and KPMG. In partnership with ELBA (East London Business Alliance), students visited the workplace, met staff and engaged in workshops that exposed them to possible career pathways.



Top: students at KPMG and right meeting staff at Pinsent Masons

ACCELERATED READER OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to Dengoney Mondesir for his progress with Accelerated Reader. Dengoney was a reluctant reader at the start of the reading programme, however, he took part in one-to-one reading sessions with Ms. O'Connor and Ms. Hendrickson and now he enjoys reading and has passed all of his quizzes! Dengoney is always the first one on a Tuesday to take his quiz and to take out a new book from the library. Congratulations, Dengoney! Keep up the good work!



STUDENTS IN GHANA

We have spent over three years fundraising to send students and staff to visit our partner school in Ghana (Jubilee Boys in Cape Coast) and now they're there! We look forward to all your stories when you return next week.



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

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: *Life can take you higher than drugs (International Drugs Awareness Week)*

HUMANITIES WEEK

As part of Humanities week, Rokeby hosted presentations and workshops from the Directions Project, a non-profit organisation offering crime diversion and intervention for young people in the UK. Armed with their own personal stories and experiences of jail, Paul and Floyd mesmerised both students and staff participants with their insightful and innovative Crimes/Choices and Consequences presentations.



Similarly, Majeidur (Y10) who attended Paul's session had this to say:

Today, Paul taught us that we should leave the past in the past and start a brand new page every day. Paul taught us that everyone will struggle in life, and all of us should overcome these struggles in our own way. No matter what, you shouldn't give up and crime is certainly

not a choice!

Aaron (Y10) gave this verdict: I thought the workshop on crime was informative. *It made me evaluate and reflect on where I would spend my free time and who I associate with. I now understand the problem with weapons and the harm they can cause.*

As the news of the workshop spread like wild fire in the school, some students who could not participate expressed their disappointments and hoped that they would also be offered the opportunity to experience the Crimes/Choices and Consequences workshop at a later date. While thanking the presenters for sharing their personal stories with us, we also acknowledge and thank the student participants for their exceptional engagement throughout the presentations. This workshop is definitely coming back.

Mr Nketia

Participants at the workshop were given an insight into prison life and were warned to stay away from all appearances of breaking the law or crime. Floyd pointed out that the criminal has to be lucky at all times, but the police only have to be lucky only once. However, by the law of probability, it is impossible to be lucky at all times. This means 'you will be caught!' The pleasures of crime are just for a season.

Describing his experience at the workshop, Ahsan, a year 10 student commented: *The workshop was helpful as it taught me what path to take in life and also that taking the easy path is not always the right path. Hard obstacles do help you to develop as a person.*

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Fri 30th June-Fri 7th July
Y10 exams

Thurs 13th July
Yrs 7-10 Awards Eve

Mon 17th July
KS3 Graduation

Tues 18th July
Passport Day

Fri 21st July
Last day of term

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:
10K with the best attendance at **98.5%**
70 with the best punctuality at **99.3%**

WORD OF THE WEEK

This week our word of the week is

Collaboration

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.



CREATIVE ARTS

At Rokeby, Year 7 students enjoy and experience the Creative Arts, (drama, dance and music) in rotation.

At the end of the year they then choose their preferred option to study in Year 8 & 9 when they have the opportunity to develop skills and raise standards in one of the three disciplines.

All Year 7 students have now chosen their first and second choice and will hear before the end of the term what they will be studying next year. For more information please speak to **Ms Harris, Head of Creative Arts.**

