

# Edith Kay School Newsletter



*Finally, some news you can trust.*

December 2025 Issue-  
Reflecting on November and Looking Ahead to  
December

## Highlights From November

1. **Dafydd** took **Rohan** and **[redacted]** on a Geography field trip to the Olympic Park. *The full scoop can be found on page 4.*
2. **Anti-Bullying Week** with a student council led assembly + **Odd Socks Day**
3. **Remembrance Day** assembly
4. **November Series Exams** in English (AS Level) and Maths (GCSE)
5. **Mock Exams**
6. **Forest Learning** continues to highlight the importance of the outdoors and mindfulness.



Drawing by **[redacted]**

## November Awards

### *Most Merits:*

**Jo**

### *Best Attendance:*

**Ahmad and Ilya** both have 100% attendance.

### *Most Punctual:*

**Bella**

### *Leadership:*

**Joe** and **Edward** took exams during the November series in English and Maths, respectively.

## Acts of Kindness:

**[redacted]** has started helping out in the kitchen during lunch times.

**[redacted]** celebrated **[redacted]** birthday and has been a beacon for positivity.

**[redacted]** can be found throughout the day holding doors for people and is courteous of those around him.

# The President and Vice President

## Reflect on Their Time in Office



### Interview with [REDACTED] (President)

**How would you characterise your time in office?**

*If I was to characterise my time, it's very good, very good to hear people's voices and watch the school change in front of my eyes.*

**How do you think people will look back on your time as President?**

*I think they will look back on it in a good way. What I've done as head of student council is good and people will struggle to do what I've done.*

**What is something new you brought to the position?**

*That's a good question... I was one of the first, so a lot of what I did was my style. I ran the student council meetings uniquely because I did it first. I also organised meetings with Karen, the headteacher.*

**Will you run again in the summer term? If so, how will you excite voters?**

*After looking back on this term, it's been a good term. I would like to not run. I want to see other people run and enjoy the position as head of student council.*

### Interview with [REDACTED] (Vice-President)

**How have you made the Vice-President position your own?**

*Well you know, I'm very helpful. I have good suggestions to fix the situation. I've fought for the people.*

**What was your greatest accomplishment as Vice-President?**

*Inspirational dress up day. We brought the school together.*

**How did you work with the President?**

*We both took our own paths and collided them together and then we managed to help the school. I supported the girls and he supported the boys.*

**Will you run for President next term? If so, what will your platform be?**

*Maybe. There's hope.*

Elections for the new President and Vice President of student council will happen in January 2026.

# Christmas Page

## Upcoming Events:

- ❄️ **Whole school ice-skating** trip on December 3rd
- ❄️ **Christmas Jumper Day** on December 11th
- ❄️ **Celebration Day** , December 16th
- ❄️ **Advent Calendar** throughout December
- ❄️ **Christmas Decorations** around the Social Area

## Christmas Lunch Menu

Every year Betty, Lamaar and Malik cook the Christmas meal.

- ❄️ Leg of Lamb
- ❄️ Halal Chicken
- ❄️ Duck Fat Roasted Potato
- ❄️ Seasonal Veg (carrots, parsnips & sprouts)
- ❄️ Swede and carrot mash
- ❄️ Cauliflower cheese
- ❄️ Red cabbage
- ❄️ Mushroom Wellington
- ❄️ Stuffing
- ❄️ Gravy

*Pictures will be featured in the February 2026 issue*



The first ever Geography field trip at Edith Kay school was a very dampy occasion but despite storm Claudia, heavy rain and yellow weather warnings, team geography - [REDACTED], [REDACTED], Dafydd and Daniel, had a great time visiting Stratford.

The mission of our trip was to complete a field study in urban regeneration in Stratford, for this expedition, we were armed with raincoats, clipboards, pens, pencils and soggy sandwiches.

Stratford is a fascinating place for any geographer because it has a rich and varied history. We learnt that in the open this area in East London was once owned by a monastery and land was used for farming and making flour in mills. During the industrial revolution, Stratford then became a place to produce iron, hence 'The Hammers' being the symbol for West Ham football club who now play their home matches in the Olympic stadium. When London hosted the Olympics in 2010, Stratford was chosen as the site where the Olympic stadium would be built and the place where all the olympic athletes would stay.

So what were we doing walking around with clipboards in the rain, other than looking like a super cool/nerdy boy band?

We looked at how the investment in Stratford for the 2010 olympic games had impacted different areas, firstly looking at Newtown (which is actually the old town) and we compared how the land is used compared with the olympic village. We were amazed to see how the old town had barely benefited from the regeneration, the housing looked run down, there was lots of rubbish on the streets and few public spaces for people to enjoy. In comparison, the investment in the Olympic village had made it a very attractive place to live, and this in turn changed people's attitudes to the place and this had positive impacts on the natural landscape as well as the social benefits of crime reduction.

This made me think about our own school, how could we make people think more positively about our area? Would litter picking outside the school make people have more respect for this street, and stop them from fly-tipping outside the school gates?

No geography field trip would be complete without a field sketch, and I am pleased to share a photo of three of us sketching the West Ham football stadium and the regeneration around Westfield shopping centre. I know I know, you are jealous but that's okay, we can go on another field trip soon, clipboards and all!

## Technology

### Video Game Recommendation of the month

I think we know what game is gonna come up: I'm redownloading **UFC 4** tonight. It's **UFC 4**, the best 2 player game you can have because the rounds are short. There's no other vote. This is the only option.

by [REDACTED]

**Metal Gear** is a peculiar game, to say the least. But it is also one of the most emotional and powerful games of all time. A game that tells a story about the horrors of war, the hardships and interests of relationships, and the nature of what defines us as people.

by [REDACTED]



# Arts and Sports

**Comic:**  
by 



**Sports:**  
Speech on Raheem Sterling  
by 

I'm here to talk about Raheem Sterling, an English professional footballer who climbed up the ranks taking the Premier League by storm.

Every young boy's dream is to become a professional footballer. It's hard dedicated work and highly unlikely, especially trying to get into an academy at a young age.

Sterling and his family came to England from Jamaica when he was five. He never knew his dad; he was murdered out there when Raheem was two.

As we know him now as one of Manchester City's best players, people think he had it easy. As a child Sterling attended Vernon House, a special school in Neasden because he had anger issues. He did well at Vernon House and went back to mainstream school.

Sterling joined Queens Park Rangers which was a massive turning point in the early career of a young superstar. He was scouted by many other big clubs, but his mother encouraged him to choose a club outside of London. Raheem was 15 when signing for Liverpool's youth team and made his debut for the first team aged 17.

The young English winger joined Manchester City at the end of the 2014-15 season for a fee of £49 million, becoming the most expensive English footballer at the time.

Sterling is an inspirational person to look up to. As well as his achievements at Man City he has become a leader and courageous voice in the fight against racism in football and society. He has won multiple Premier League titles and hopes to regain his form.

**Art Corner**  
by 



**Dad Joke Of The Month :**

Q: Why do the French eat snails?

A: They don't like fast food.

**Riddle Of The Month:**

What goes up a chimney down, but won't go down a chimney up.

*Stay tuned for the next issue to get the answer to the riddle.*

# Editor-in-chief's Note



The Edith Kay School Newsletter will be back in February to allow the Editor-in-chief some well earned time off.

What to look forward to in February:

- More updates around Edith Kay
- The results of the Student Council Election
- Photos from December
- Student and staff profiles
- The answer to the riddle
- Sports
- Comics and Art
- Opinions
- Puzzles
- All the news you can trust

## Puzzle

by The Scientist

### Element Sudoku Puzzle

The puzzle uses the first 9 elements of the Chemistry Periodic Table instead of numbers.

1 = H (Hydrogen)	2 = He (Helium)	3 = Li (Lithium)
4 = Be (Beryllium)	5 = B (Boron)	6 = C (Carbon)
7 = N (Nitrogen)	8 = O (Oxygen)	9 = F (Fluorine)

B	Li		C	N	O	F		Ne
C		He	H	F	B	Li	Be	
H	F	O	Li	Be	He	B	C	N
O	B	F		C	He	Be	He	Li
Be	He	C	O		Li	N	F	H
N	He	Li	F	He	Be	O	Be	C
F	C	He	B	Li	N		O	
He	O	N	Be	He	F	C	Li	Be
Li	Be	S	He	O	C	H	N	F

# Public Service Announcement



**A Highly Dangerous Guinea Pig  
(A.K.A. George, The Squire) has  
gone Missing!**



## Some information on George:

- 🐾 He is the most wanted man in the world
- 🐾 If you see him, don't engage with this beast! Just call: 123456789
- 🐾 Some of the serious crimes he's committed:

- 🥕 Robbed carrots
- 🥕 Stole 178 veggie gardens
- 🥕 Kidnaped the carrot man

**Remember to be safe out there and keep your veg and carrots under lock and key.**