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OUR SHARED VISION



Our vision is "Success for Everyone". We aspire for every member of our community, regardless of circumstances or background, to be the best version of themselves - confident, successful students, committed, successful staff, who are committed to growing and developing as practitioners, and engaged stakeholders who unite in celebration. We achieve our Vision through our two core values of CARE and UNITY.

01 CARE

The overriding feel within our Trust is that we care more than anyone else could expect. We care for all aspects of our practice and, in particular, we care for:

Everyone's safety and happiness
Everyone's personal development and growth
Everyone's outcomes
Everyone's standards
Everyone's learning
Everyone's well-being
Everyone's relationships

This is reflected by the fact that we call ourselves the Poly Family and we are an organisation based on relationships above all else – we are individual people first and students, staff and parents second.

02 UNITY

The value that ensures that our impact is greater than it ever could be if we worked alone. This means that our schools, teams and individuals are always pulled together in ways which share the workload and create solutions from which everyone benefits. We are determined that nothing can divide us when we put the needs of our community before everything else.

MESSAGE FROM OUR CEO

Mr T Plumb



Welcome to the Autumn 2026 edition of the PolyMAT Newsletter

As we reach the end of another busy and successful term, I am immensely proud of everything that has been achieved across our PolyMAT family of schools. At the start of this academic year, we welcomed new and returning students, families and staff, including those beginning important new chapters in Reception, Year 7 and Year 12. We spoke of the opportunities, challenges, achievements and milestones that lay ahead, and this edition of our newsletter is filled with examples of those aspirations becoming reality.

Across our schools, we have seen students achieve exceptional outcomes and embrace a wide range of opportunities both inside and outside the classroom. Whether it is a student progressing from Woolwich Polytechnic School for Girls and Woolwich Polytechnic Sixth Form to the University of Oxford, students accessing exciting new opportunities through our growing sports programmes, or our young people coming together to celebrate culture, diversity and community, these achievements reflect the ambition, resilience and talent that exists throughout our Trust.

It has been wonderful to see our schools and classrooms come to life once again, filled with the energy, enthusiasm and determination of our students. From outstanding academic results and enriching educational experiences to the strength of our community partnerships and the dedication of our staff, there is much to celebrate across the Trust.

We have also continued to invest in our schools and our future. New facilities, growing engagement across our platforms, and opportunities for collaboration and professional development all help strengthen our ability to deliver the very best experiences for the children and young people we serve.

A particular highlight this term was bringing together Members, Trustees and Academy Committee Members from across the Trust at our annual Governance Conference. Events such as this remind us that our success is built on collaboration, shared expertise and a collective commitment to ensuring the very best outcomes for every student.

Most importantly, this newsletter demonstrates the power of our shared values of care and unity. Whether through fundraising, community events, support for families, student leadership, or the everyday work taking place in our classrooms, our schools continue to show what can be achieved when we work together.

Thank you to our students, staff, governors, trustees, families and wider community for the role you play in making PolyMAT such a special place. I hope you enjoy reading about the many accomplishments featured throughout this edition and feel as proud as I do of everything our community has achieved so far this academic year.

GOVERNANCE CONFERENCE

MULTI ACADEMY TRUST
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2026







POLYMAT GOVERNANCE CONFERENCE 2026







On Friday 4th September, PolyMAT welcomed Members, Trustees and Academy Committee Members from across the Trust to Somerset House for our annual Governance Conference, a day dedicated to learning, collaboration and professional development.

The conference brought together governance volunteers from across our family of schools to share best practice, strengthen relationships and explore the latest developments in education governance, accountability and strategic leadership. The event focused on ensuring those serving our schools remain equipped with the knowledge, skills and confidence needed to provide effective support and challenge.

A key highlight of the day was a thought-provoking session led by Katie Paxton, NGA Consultant, exploring the National Governance Association's 4D Governance framework. The framework encourages governing boards to consider four interconnected dimensions of effective governance: the organisation's purpose, the people around the board table, the quality of governance practice, and the impact governance has on outcomes for children and young people. Participants were challenged to reflect on governance through these lenses, reinforcing the crucial role that strong governance plays in supporting school improvement and achieving the very best outcomes for students.

The programme featured a range of sessions designed to strengthen governance knowledge and practice across the Trust, including an interactive workshop on effective governance, an update on the current Ofsted framework, safeguarding training, and an overview of key governance developments for the 2026-27 academic year. Throughout the day, attendees had opportunities to connect with colleagues, exchange experiences and discuss the shared challenges and opportunities facing school governance.

Reflecting on the success of the event, Mark Guest, Chief Compliance Officer at PolyMAT, said:
"What a fantastic day at our PolyMAT Governance Conference. It was inspiring to see so many Members, Trustees and Academy Committee Members giving their time in service of our schools, supported by employers who recognise the value of governance. Our exploration of the NGA's 4D Governance framework reinforced the importance of governing not just effectively, but with a clear focus on impact, people and purpose. Thank you to everyone who contributed to such an engaging day of learning, collaboration and shared commitment to achieving Success for Everyone."

POLYMAT GOVERNANCE CONFERENCE 2026

In her closing remarks, Chair of Trustees Sylvia Perrins reflected on the key themes and learning from each session, highlighting how the insights gained throughout the day would help shape and inform PolyMAT's future governance work. She thanked attendees for their commitment and contribution, emphasising the vital role that strong governance plays in supporting the Trust's schools and wider communities.

Tim Plumb, CEO of PolyMAT, said:
"Our Governance Conference was a fantastic opportunity to bring together Members, Trustees and Academy Committee Members from across PolyMAT to reflect on the important role governance plays in the success of our schools. The commitment, expertise and dedication shown by our governance volunteers continue to be invaluable in helping us deliver the very best outcomes for our students. In my opening remarks, I spoke about the importance of partnership and the strength of a collective voice. While governance has a direct impact within individual schools, it also has an important contribution to make to the wider educational landscape. By working together across trusts, schools and sector organisations, we can share expertise, influence positive change and ensure that the voices of our communities are heard. I would also like to recognise the many PolyMAT colleagues who worked behind the scenes to make the event such a success. From planning and logistics to communications and administration, their dedication ensured a high-quality experience for everyone involved."

The success of the conference was made possible through the collective efforts of colleagues and partners who supported the event. Particular thanks go to Steve Mills, Senior Account Manager Team Lead at InVentry, and Nick Port, Director of Innovate Services at InVentry, for generously sponsoring the use of the InVentry system throughout the conference, and to Lucy Collinson, InVentry Events Administrator, for her support during the planning and delivery of the event.

We are also grateful to Liz Athey, Executive Assistant at the National Governance Association (NGA), for helping to arrange a guest speaker for the conference and for providing NGA notepads and pens. Thanks also go to Matthew Swann, Regional Lead for the South East and London, for his support in facilitating the event. Our appreciation is also extended to Samira Sadeghi, Director of Trust Governance at the Confederation of School Trusts (CST), for providing resources for our governance colleagues, and to Polly Ferris, Senior Marketing Manager at GovernorHub, for supplying conference tote bags.

The conference served as a powerful reminder of the impact that effective governance has on the success of our schools. Through ongoing training, collaboration and shared learning, PolyMAT remains committed to supporting its governance community and investing in the development of those who give their time in service of our schools. The dedication, expertise and commitment shown by our Members, Trustees and Academy Committee Members continue to play a vital role in helping PolyMAT deliver on its mission of Success for Everyone.







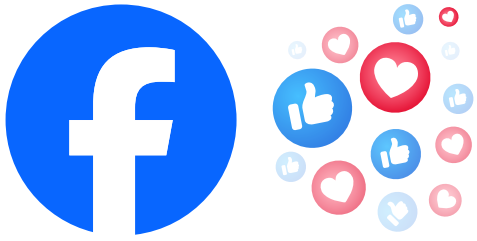


ACROSS OUR PLATFORMS

It has been an outstanding couple of months for our YouTube channel. Between August and October, our videos received 39,120 views, demonstrating the growing reach of our trust community online.

During this period, we reached 800 subscribers on 26th September and hit the milestone of 250 videos published on 1st October. We also published a further 26 videos across this timeframe, continuing to strengthen our online presence and connect with our community.

Thank you to everyone who watches, subscribes and shares our content. Your support continues to help our channel grow and reach more people than ever before.



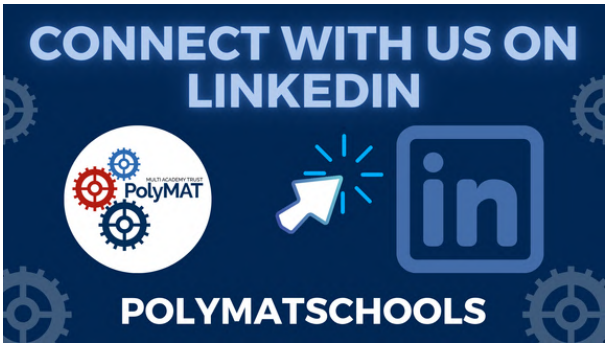
Our Facebook pages continued to connect with thousands of families and community members between August and October.

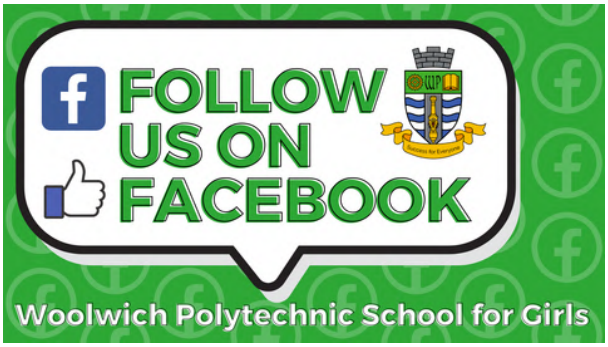
The Boys' School Facebook page received an impressive 191,161 views, with audiences spending almost 22 hours watching our content. The Girls' School Facebook page achieved an outstanding 196,196 views, with a combined watch time of more than 31 hours.

These figures demonstrate the strong interest in our schools and the important role social media plays in helping us keep families informed, engaged and connected with school life.

Over the last three months, we shared 189 LinkedIn posts, averaging around 15 posts each week, showcasing the incredible achievements, opportunities and events taking place across our schools.

This content generated 48,087 impressions, a 128.7% increase on the previous period. Our LinkedIn following also grew by 230%, while reactions increased by 154% and comments by 216%.







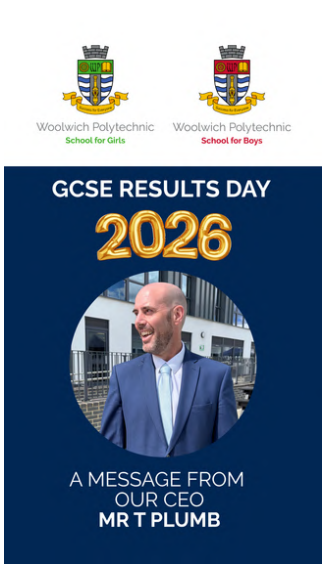
ACROSS OUR PLATFORMS

YouTube

Watch Some of Our Favourite YouTube Shorts from August to October

From student successes and enrichment opportunities to community events, special celebrations and memorable moments across our schools, our YouTube Shorts captured some of the highlights of a busy and successful term. The videos below are amongst our favourites from August to October and showcase just a small selection of the achievements, experiences and opportunities that make our schools such vibrant places to learn. Click the images below to watch these moments and see our schools in action.



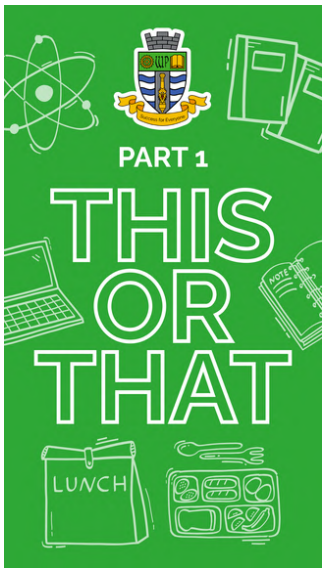














OUR FAMILY OF SCHOOLS



Growing Together, Learning for Life

BANNOCKBURN
Primary School





Woolwich Polytechnic
School for Boys





Woolwich Polytechnic
School for Girls



THE FUTURE OF POLYMAT



Mr T Plumb

As ever, the education landscape continues to evolve. There are a multitude of changes facing our sector. From curriculum through to compliance, there are significant changes that all schools are having to adapt to.

Consequently, the government is placing an increasing focus on trust growth, collaboration and consolidation, with larger organisations being viewed as better placed to adapt to sector-wide transformation, as well as share expertise, strengthen capacity and deliver long-term sustainability for the schools and communities they serve.

Within this context, leaders of trusts are being urged to consider how we can create the very best opportunities for the students in our care. This means keeping an open mind about a range of strategic options and exploring partnerships that could further strengthen our ability to deliver our mission.

One such conversation is taking place with University Schools Trust (UST), a multi-academy trust serving communities across Woolwich and Tower Hamlets. As a trust of a similar scale, UST shares many of the strategic priorities and operational challenges faced by PolyMAT, providing an opportunity to exchange ideas and explore areas of mutual benefit.

We have enjoyed a positive and productive working relationship with UST for some time. Our organisations share many common values and ambitions, and we are already collaborating successfully in several areas. These existing partnerships have created a strong foundation for ongoing discussions about how we can learn from one another, share best practice and identify further opportunities to work together for the benefit of our schools and communities.

We want to stress that these discussions are exploratory in nature and remain at a very early stage. No decisions or commitments have been made and there is no agreed proposal at this time. The purpose of these conversations is simply to explore whether there may be opportunities that could further enhance the educational experience and outcomes for our students, both now and into the future.

We are sharing this information at this stage because colleagues from UST are likely to spend time within our schools. Likewise, some of our colleagues may engage with theirs, which is why a similar message is being provided to their staff too. This should be viewed as part of the process of understanding one another's organisations and assessing whether there is a stronger future to be built together. I am sure you will join me in warmly welcoming our visitors.

Regardless of the future evolution of PolyMAT, our focus remains unchanged: delivering exceptional education for every student and supporting our staff to do their best work. We will continue to keep colleagues informed as and when there is meaningful information to share, which we expect will be early in the new calendar year.

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There has been plenty to celebrate across the school community in recent months, with a number of achievements and initiatives bringing families, pupils and staff together.

Parent Survey

Parents and carers shared overwhelmingly positive feedback about their children's experiences at Bannockburn Primary School. They highlighted significant academic progress, particularly in reading, writing, language, and numeracy, noting that children have developed confidence, independence, and a love of learning. Many parents celebrated the nurturing and supportive relationships formed between staff and pupils, emphasising that children feel safe, happy, and motivated to attend school.

Parents also appreciated the personalised attention and encouragement provided to their children, which has supported their social, emotional, and personal development alongside academic growth. Families value the school's inclusive and engaging environment, praising staff for their professionalism, dedication, and ability to foster resilience, curiosity, and creativity in pupils. Overall, the feedback reflects strong satisfaction with both the educational provision and the holistic care that enables every child to thrive.

Pupil Survey

Pupils described Bannockburn Primary School as a place where everyone is welcome; a kind and supportive school; a happy, safe, and enjoyable environment; and a place where children feel respected, valued, and supported. Many described the school as "amazing", "awesome", "five-star", and even "the best school on earth".

Across all year groups, pupils consistently identified the following as strengths of the school:

- Supportive and caring staff
- Strong friendships and inclusive relationships
- Enjoyable learning experiences
- An engaging curriculum and enrichment opportunities
- A strong sense of safety and belonging
- Positive playtimes and social interaction

Overall, pupils overwhelmingly described Bannockburn as a fun, kind, and welcoming school where children feel included, supported, and able to thrive.

Pupil Leadership Groups

Junior Leadership Team (JLT)

The Junior Leadership Team (JLT) recently met to discuss children's experiences of playtimes and explore ways to make breaktimes at Manor Way more enjoyable, inclusive, and engaging. A range of positive and practical suggestions were shared, including creating a wellbeing space, exploring opportunities for support from the local community, and developing a range of activities for quieter areas of the playground. The team is keen to begin implementing these ideas and making a positive difference to children's experiences at breaktimes.

Global Ambassadors

The Global Ambassadors explored a current global issue, developing their understanding of the challenges facing our planet and the importance of taking action to protect it. To reflect on their learning, they created collages of Planet Earth, which could be taken home or displayed in classrooms to raise awareness and encourage others to think about how we can care for our world.

Gardening

The Gardening Clubs at High Street and Manor Way have been actively caring for their school grounds. At High Street, children learned about different types of plants and how to care for them. At Manor Way, the Gardening Club explored the Forest School area, using natural materials and resources to create their own pieces of art. Children developed their creativity while exploring the outdoor environment, identifying different natural materials and discovering how these could be used in artistic ways. These practical activities are helping children develop their gardening skills, teamwork, and understanding of the natural environment.





Junior Travel Ambassadors

The Junior Travel Ambassadors created posters promoting positive changes to make school pick-up times safer, healthier, and more welcoming for everyone. Their messages encouraged parents and carers to switch off mobile phones, avoid leaving engines idling, and walk to school where possible. The activity helped raise awareness of road safety, air quality, and the importance of making sustainable travel choices.

Playground Leaders

The Playground Leaders took part in learning new games and activities that they can share with their peers during breaktimes and lunchtimes. The focus was on encouraging active play, developing teamwork, and helping to create a more inclusive playground environment where everyone feels welcome and has opportunities to join in.

Diversity Team

The Diversity Team met during the final week of term to reflect on what it means to feel a sense of belonging within our school. They shared their thoughts and discussed how we can ensure that everyone feels welcomed, valued, included, and respected. The discussion provided an opportunity for children to share ideas about how we can continue to make our school a place where everyone feels they belong.

BANNOCKBURN PRIMARY SCHOOL

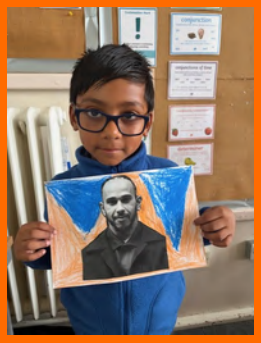
Headteacher
Mrs R Ford













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FROM WPSFG'S FIRST GCSE COHORT, TO WOOLWICH POLYTECHNIC SIXTH FORM, TO OXFORD

Kiran's journey through the PolyMAT family has been a remarkable one, spanning both Woolwich Polytechnic School for Girls and Woolwich Polytechnic Sixth Form.

In 2024, Kiran was part of the school's very first GCSE cohort, achieving an exceptional set of results, including five Grade 9s, three Grade 8s and one Grade 7. Reflecting on her success at the time, she spoke warmly about the support she had received from staff and the positive impact it had on her educational journey.

Choosing to continue her studies at Woolwich Polytechnic Sixth Form allowed Kiran to build on that strong foundation. Over the next two years, she excelled academically while making a significant contribution to the wider school community. As Head Girl, she led with maturity, compassion and confidence, becoming a respected role model for younger students and a proud ambassador for the Sixth Form.

This summer, Kiran achieved outstanding A Level results of A*AA, securing her place at the University of Oxford to study Philosophy, Politics and Economics (PPE). Her achievement represents the culmination of years of hard work, determination and ambition, from being a member of our historic first GCSE cohort to earning a place at one of the world's leading universities.

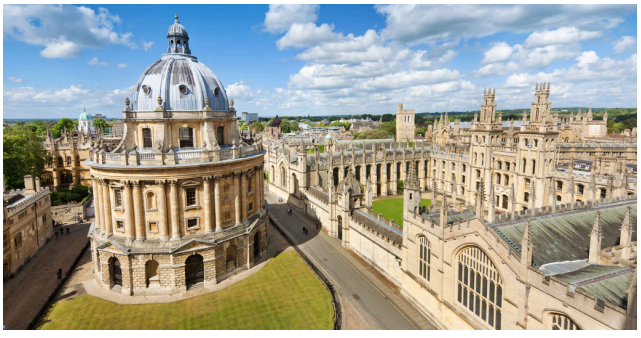
Now settled into university life, Kiran is already embracing the opportunities that Oxford has to offer. Her success story reflects the power of aspiration, resilience and the strong educational pathway available across our Trust.

We are incredibly proud of all that Kiran has achieved and look forward to following her future successes. Congratulations, Kiran!











WOOLWICH POLYTECHNIC SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

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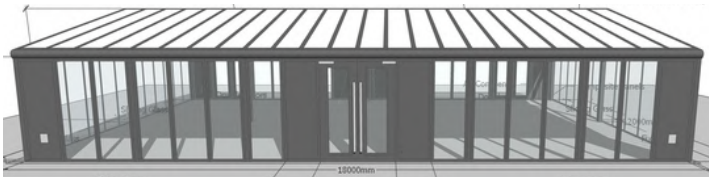
Exciting New Dining and Learning Space Coming to Woolwich Polytechnic School for Girls

We are delighted to share some exciting news with our community. Before the summer holidays, the Trust approved the installation of a brand-new enclosed dining area canopy at Woolwich Polytechnic School for Girls. Construction began during the October half-term break and is expected to take approximately three weeks to complete.

Once completed, this fantastic new space will provide seating for more than 200 students, creating a comfortable, modern environment that can be enjoyed throughout the year, whatever the weather. Designed as a flexible space for our school community, the canopy will not only enhance students' dining experience but will also provide additional room for learning, group activities and school events when needed.

The new facility will include:

- LED lighting
- Air conditioning for heating and cooling
- Power supplies
- Data connections and Wi-Fi access



The safety of students, staff, visitors and contractors will remain our highest priority throughout the project. We are incredibly excited to see this development take shape and look forward to welcoming students into this wonderful new space very soon.

Read What Families Had to Say

Following our recent Open Evening, we were delighted to receive such positive feedback from prospective families. Parents and carers praised the warm and welcoming atmosphere, the dedication of our staff and the confidence and enthusiasm shown by our student tour guides. The event provided a fantastic opportunity for visitors to experience life at the school first-hand, and it was wonderful to hear how much they valued the support, information and sense of community they encountered throughout the evening.

We would like to thank everyone who took the time to share their feedback. Their kind comments are a testament to the hard work of our students and staff and reflect the welcoming environment that makes our school such a special place to learn and grow.

Woolwich Polytechnic School for Girls
Open Evening 2026 Feedback

“Very welcoming and friendly, the guide we had showing us around the school was very knowledgeable and informative. Very happy we put the school down as our first choice.”

Woolwich Polytechnic School for Girls
Open Evening 2026 Feedback

“Very calm and relaxing atmosphere. Welcoming and positive energy. The girls all say they are supported and have so many opportunities here.”

Woolwich Polytechnic School for Girls
Open Evening 2026 Feedback

“My daughter said it was very fun and she loved her tour guide Clara. She was very nice in answering all of our questions. So happy with all of the things we learnt and absolutely loved how our tour guide made us feel excited for everything!”

GCSE RESULTS 2026

Woolwich Polytechnic School for Girls is delighted to announce another exceptional set of GCSE results for 2026, marking the third consecutive year of strong academic success and reinforcing the school's commitment to excellence, aspiration, and achievement.

In a national landscape that continues to evolve following post-pandemic adjustments, WPSfG students have once again risen to the challenge, delivering results that reflect their determination, resilience, and hard work, alongside the unwavering dedication of staff and support from families.

This year's results highlight outstanding achievement across a wide range of subjects, with particularly impressive outcomes in English, Mathematics, Science and French.

Although Progress 8 measures are not being published this year, the school's internal analysis demonstrates continued strong progress and achievement across the cohort, with students consistently performing above expectations.

The results reflect WPG's continued focus on high standards, inclusion and ensuring every student can fulfil their potential. Across the year group, students secured excellent grades, with many achieving outcomes significantly above national expectations.

We are particularly proud of the progress made by key student groups, our commitment to excellence, equity, ambition, and personalised support.

These results are the product of years of hard work, resilience, and determination, supported by dedicated staff and families who have encouraged our students every step of the way. At Woolwich Polytechnic School for Girls, we believe in the potential of every young person, and today's results are testament to what can be achieved through ambition, resilience, commitment, and excellence. We look forward to seeing our students flourish in the next stage of their educational journey.

Key highlights include:

- 75% of students achieved a strong pass (Grade 5+) in GCSE English
- GCSE Mathematics success surges, with increased numbers of students achieving high Grades 6+ and 7+
- 38% of students achieved Grade 7 or above in English
- 74% achieved Grade 7+, 53% Grade 8+ in GCSE Chemistry
- 58% achieved Grade 7 or above, 37% Grade 8+ in GCSE French
- 57% achieved Grade 6+ in Citizenship
- 51% achieved Grade 6+ in Geography













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Headteacher
Ms L Williams



















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A Celebration of Culture, Community and School Spirit
4th November 2026



Our Sixth Form came together for a fantastic celebration of culture, diversity and community through the Cultural Food Sale and Culture Clash Show. At lunchtime, staff and students enjoyed a delicious range of dishes and treats from around the world, generously donated by staff, students and their families, creating an opportunity to share traditions and celebrate the diversity of our school community.

The celebrations continued after school with the Culture Clash Show, featuring music, dance and performances that showcased the many cultures represented across our Sixth Form. It was wonderful to see so many students wearing traditional cultural dress, adding colour, pride and energy to the occasion.

Together, the events raised an impressive £617 for the Class of 2027 Prom. A huge thank you to everyone who attended, donated, performed and supported the day, and especially to the Sixth Form team and Dr M. Oguike for helping make the event such a success.

From the Classroom to the NFL Pathway: A New Sporting Journey

Since introducing American Football at Woolwich Polytechnic School for Boys in November 2025, Mr Bradbury has helped build a thriving programme that has captured the enthusiasm and commitment of a dedicated group of Year 9 students. Through weekly training sessions and competitive fixtures against other schools, students have developed their skills and proudly represented the school.

Their hard work and progress have led to the school being accepted onto an NFL competition pathway, providing opportunities to compete at a higher level, showcase their talents and access further development opportunities through community and club programmes. For some students, the pathway could even open doors to opportunities in the USA, including potential sporting scholarships. As part of the school's growing affiliation with the NFL, specialist equipment has also been provided free of charge to support the continued development of the programme.

Students recently enjoyed another incredible opportunity when they attended an NFL game at Tottenham Hotspur Stadium, watching the Washington Commanders take on the Indianapolis Colts. The experience gave them a firsthand look at elite-level American Football and offered plenty of inspiration as they continue their own sporting journey.

In less than a year, the programme has gone from strength to strength, and we are incredibly proud of everything that Mr Bradbury and the students have achieved. We look forward to seeing this exciting initiative continue to grow and create even more opportunities for young people in the years ahead.

GCSE RESULTS 2026

Woolwich Polytechnic School for Boys is delighted to announce another year of great results, manifesting our vision of 'Success for Everyone'. We have massively increased our top grades across the board, achieving an increase of one third more 7+ grades than in 2025, enabling even more students to access academic studies at Sixth Form.

We are proud of our achievements across the board but particularly note results in Maths, Further Maths, the Sciences, French, Spanish, Community Languages, Art, ICT, Music, Sports that are all significantly above national averages, with nearly all other subjects achieving above national averages as well. It shows that our boys are leaving us fully-rounded, with a range of secure skills from across the curriculum, ready to take on further study or employment with solid foundations.

Headteacher, Mr T Lawrence comments:
'I am delighted that by so many measures, our Class of 2026 have performed so well. We have increased the number of grade 7s and above by a significant margin; in French, we have performed amongst the very few best schools in the country, followed closely behind by a number of other subjects significantly beating national averages, such as Maths, Art, Chemistry, Biology, Spanish, Community Languages, ICT, Music and Sports. All of this means that there are even more open doors for our outgoing students to pass through with most, we hope, returning to us to join our highly successful Sixth Form. I must also congratulate teachers for their enormous efforts and offer my gratitude to parents and carers for supporting their sons and us through these times: everyone's efforts have been rewarded with great success.'

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Key highlights include:

- 90% pass rate in Art
- 100% pass rate in Music
- 91% pass rate in Sports
- 89% grade 6 and above in Biology
- 95% grade 6 and above in Chemistry
- 90% grade 6 and above in French
- 18% grade 9 in Spanish
- 100% grade 7 and above in Community Languages
- 30% grade 7 and above in Maths
- 41% grade 6 and above in English Literature
- 100% grade 6+ in Further Maths
- 46% grade 6 and above in History

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Tomorrow's Leaders Achieve Outstanding Success

Woolwich Polytechnic Sixth Form is celebrating another year of strong Year 13 outcomes, with 75% of qualifications awarded at A to C grade or equivalent, ensuring the vast majority of students can progress confidently to higher education, apprenticeships and employment.

The impressive success rate reflects the commitment, resilience and ambition of the Class of 2026 and continues Woolwich Polytechnic's track record of preparing young people for bright futures.

Among this year's standout achievements is a student who has secured a place to study Philosophy, Politics and Economics (PPE) at the University of Oxford, one of the most competitive undergraduate courses in the country. Many of her peers will be progressing to Russell Group universities, while others have secured prestigious apprenticeship opportunities with leading organisations including Google and Schroders.

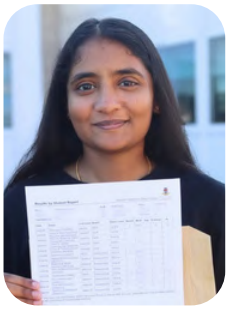
These achievements demonstrate the wide range of pathways available to Woolwich Polytechnic students and underline the Sixth Form's commitment to its motto, "Tomorrow's Leaders."

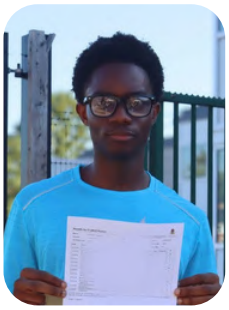
Headteacher, Mr Lawrence, comments:
"Our Class of 2026 have done themselves proud. With 75% of qualifications achieved at A to C grades or equivalent, our students have created opportunities for themselves across higher education, apprenticeships and the world of work. These results reflect their hard work, perseverance and aspiration, as well as the unwavering support of our staff and families. We are immensely proud of all they have achieved and look forward to seeing them develop into the leaders, innovators and professionals of tomorrow."

The success of this year's cohort highlights the strength of the Woolwich Polytechnic Sixth Form experience, where students are encouraged to aim high, work hard and realise their ambitions. Whether progressing to Oxford, Russell Group universities, sought-after apprenticeships or employment, the Class of 2026 leaves equipped with the skills, qualifications and confidence to make a positive contribution to society.

Congratulations to all our Year 13 students on their achievements. We wish them every success as they embark on the next stage of their journey.







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Headteacher
Mr T Lawrence





















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