

## Connecting with Coral reefs in the Caribbean



All the way from the island of Curaçao in the Caribbean, Coral Live kicked off on the 29<sup>th</sup> October with live streaming from CARMABI Research Centre on the island. Coral reefs cover less than 1 percent of the marine environment, but are home to 25 percent of marine species. It is estimated that 1 billion people depend on food from the reefs. Exploring this fascinating topic will bring corals to life for classrooms around the world.

This week Bolder Academy connected live with the Digital Explorer field education team and marine scientists in the Caribbean. They discussed issues relating to science and

geography. Jamie Buchanan-Dunlop and Ellie Mackay are engaging with students across the world. They are sharing the wonders of coral reefs and the human impact on these fragile ecosystems.

Our students have posed questions to these scientists. And, so many of these have been answered.

## Open mornings a great success



We hosted several open mornings over the last half term and we wanted to say a huge thank you to all the student leaders who took the lead in supporting and touring our prospective parents around the Academy.

From the first open morning to the last the students were a huge credit to themselves and the Academy. Well done!



## Bolder helps out our local food bank

This month our students are working with Hounslow Community Foodbox. They are collecting extra food for those who need it most. At Bolder we are kind and this a great example of how our Academy is kind to our community.



## Stars Model-maker inspires students

Sky and The National Film and Television School teamed up to arrange for John Lee to come to Sky and talk to the young Bolder Academy students this half-term.

You might be thinking; Who is John Lee? Well, think Aliens, Harry Potter, Star Wars and Fantastic Mr Fox. John has worked on all these movies and many more as a model-maker and prop-maker. He took time out from his busy schedule teaching Post-Graduate students at The National Film and Television School to visit Sky and tell his story to the Year 7 Students.

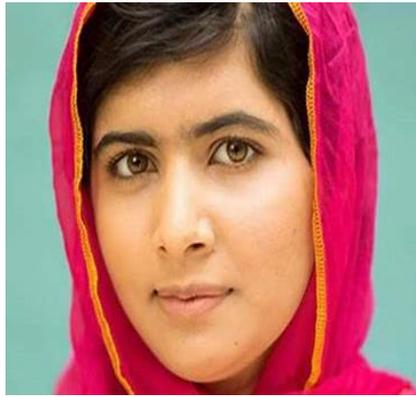
Almost 100 students and their families made the trip to Sky to listen to him and were then treated to latest instalment of the Star Wars saga – The Last Jedi in the cinema.

John said afterwards "If one person in the audience thought about model-making as a profession and went home to find out more, then it's been a success."



## Remembrance Service

Our students will be taking part in a special service remembering those who, 100 years ago gave their lives in World War 1.



## Introducing our new Academy houses

You may remember that we launched a search for our House names. The students have pulled all their ideas together and worked with the House Captains to come up with the final list.

We chose people from all over the world who inspire us, people who sum up the values of our Academy and the Bolder way. Men and women who are kind, strong and brave.

The people the houses have been named after are Frida Kahlo, Alan Turing, Marie Curie, Jesse Owens, Emeline Pankhurst and Malala Yousafzai.

Thanks to everyone for all your help.

## Beat the Teacher!

A big thank you to Sky who kindly helped us raise funds over the summer for some of extra resources for the Academy. The table tennis tables and basketball hoops have now been set up by Bally our caretaker and the students love them. Mr Bones seems to love them too!



## Sports' Fixtures

The girls' netball and football teams kick off this half term with competitions on Thursday and Friday.

We wish them all the best.

## Reminders

Please remember to label all PE kit clearly.

No term time holidays are allowed to be authorised (please see DfE guidance).

Students need to wear black or dark blue coats to the Academy