

Culture Day 2025

Connaught School for Girls held its second annual Culture Day to celebrate the diversity and heritage of our school community on Thursday afternoon. Thank you to all our staff, students, and the school PTA for being involved in the many varied activities throughout the afternoon. Thank you to Ms Khaliq for helping organise the culture day and getting everyone involved. Many people worked behind the scenes to make the afternoon a success. Thanks to Mr Simpson for printing all the posters and sorting the speakers.

We started with the teacher Endzone match in the playground, which was led by Ms Diamond. The teachers needed quite a lot of reminding about the rules and the game was competitive. Congratulations to Mr Klemencic, Ms Diamond, Ms Elkhandari and Ms Maniar - the winning team. Ms Burton, Mr Ferreira, Ms Jemal and Ms Desborough would like a rematch when the temperature is cooler!

Thank you to our canteen staff for a delicious, culturally themed lunch!

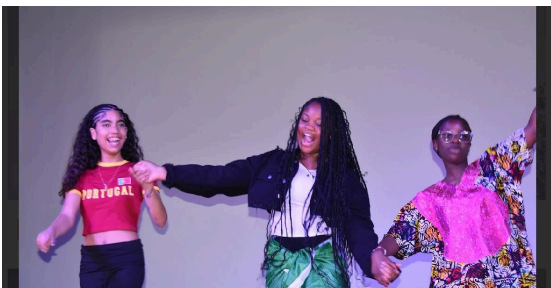
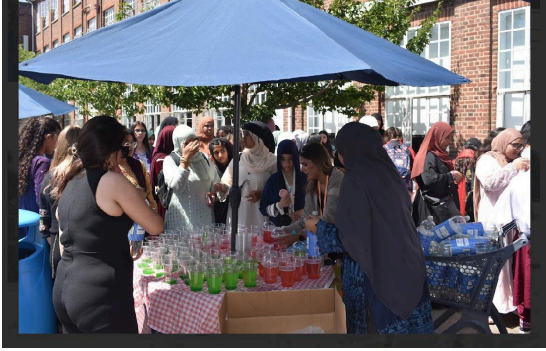
Our dedicated PTA team led by Samim organised a great spread of: drinks, cakes, raffle prizes, ice pops and henna for our students. Thank you to Nida for our star decorations adorning our canteen currently.

Ms Ali and Ms Iqbal also laid out a table of refreshing virgin Mojito's (home-made!) which went down a treat in the heat, as well as the ice creams! All funds raised for the sales on their stall will go towards humanitarian aid for Gaza, Palestine.

Ms Broadway organised a very personal Connaught canvas including our logo for the school. Students and staff were able to leave lovely messages. Thank you for climbing the heights of Connaught to take Connaught's first selfie! Thank you to Mx Collins for all the photography.

The fashion show was led by Ms Binz and Mia in year 10. The students were incredibly well prepared and organised in showcasing cultural heritage in the various outfits that were exhibited today.

We finished with sponge the teacher and the sponge throwing took a few moments to get going, as it does require quite a technique! A massive thank you to Mr Conway and Mr Bashir for the set up today in general. It's a huge task. Mr Silk got thoroughly drenched followed by Ms Hickes, Ms El -Khandari, Ms Burton, and Ferreira and Mr Desborough. The school raised £1130!!! Great amount and sponge the teachers made £70!! That's a lot of sponges thrown!







Peer Mentoring Club: Talent Show

Peer Mentoring Club delivered a **SOLD OUT** event on Thursday after Culture Day, with a (now annual) Talent Show. We had sold all our tickets ahead of Thursday with students and parents very eager to see & celebrate the incredible talent at Connaught on. Following a very competitive audition process that lasted over two weeks, we whittled down our performers to 9 very talented contestants. We had singers, dancers, a trumpet player and sumo wrestlers!



The refreshments were refreshing and we sold out of many refreshments by the first interval! The vibes were immaculate and the atmosphere was fantastic. The audience were really supportive and this really helped the contestants in their nervousness and anxiety.

We thank the staff who were on hand to support and help with the clean up too - Ms Khaliq & Ms Collins, thank you

We owe everyone in Peer Mentoring a huge shout-out for designing, developing, and delivering on a fantastic event. They have worked incredibly hard on crafting this show and showpiece -

- Kayleigh, Cassidy, Melisa, Chiara, Sienna J & Sofia on refreshments!
- Caitlin & Nia on security and key supervisors!
- Shianne, Soraya & Gilda for fantastic judging!
- & our incredible hosts Michelle, Nahla & Sienna A

We will be sharing a Google form in the next few days for feedback, and how to improve for the next Talent Show in December.

PTA

On Behalf of the Friends of Connaught PTA I would like to say a big Thank You to our sponsors, Trading Places estate agents who kindly donated many of our gift vouchers for our culture day Raffle, There were Sephora, Westfields, Vue Cinema and Foyles book store gift cards. Also, thanks to Yard sale pizza, clip n climb O2, The Entertainer (Stratford) and Community Champion Sue at Tesco's, along with many parents who donated towards the raffle. This proved very popular, and many tickets were purchased by the students.

It was a great afternoon of fun, games, snacks, bakes and refreshing Mocktails and Ice pops in the scorching hot day! We raised £1130 which will be added to the PTA pot to be used for the students for enrichment. We hope you will continue to support the PTA and if you would like to be involved or help out when you can we can keep you updated, please email Connaughtschoolpta@gmail.com

Every little helps and it brings smiles on the students when we are able to do events only possible with extra helpers to hand.

Thank you

Friends of Connaught PTA

ECP timetable - FINAL WEEK!

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before school	Library Club 7:50-8:20 Library ET	Library Club 7:50-8:20 Library ET	Library Club 7:50-8:20 Library ET	Library Club 7:50-8:20 Library ET	Library Club 7:50-8:20 Library ET
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				Homework Support Room 20	
Lunch time	Homework Support Room 20 RIC	Homework Support Room 20	Homework Support Room	Board Game Club Room 42	Homework Support Room 20

			20	ELK (Week A only)	
	GCSE Art and Photography Club Room 17 ELB	KS3 Multi skills sports AGI (Week A only)	KS3 Badminton AGI (Week A only)	KS3 Dodgeball AGI (Week A only)	KS3 Royal Academy Young Artists Club Room 17 ELB
	Citizens UK Club Room 8 PHI	KS3 Textiles Club Room H2 RAN	KS3 Crochet Club Room H2 RAN	Eco Club Room 7 DES	KS3 History Film Club Room 6 KLE
	KS4 Textiles Club Room H2 RAN	Year 10 Geography Drop In Revision Club Room 7 DES	Computing Club Room 33 ALK	KS3 Humanities Homework Catch Up Room 7 DES	Peer mentoring (by invitation) Room 5 KAD
	Computing Club Room 33 LAK	Year 8 and 9 Science Cinema Club Room 8 AMR	Mentoring SAI HoY8 office	Mindfulness Club Room 10 GAH (Week A only)	Year 7 Connections Club Library ALI
	KS3 Music Club Room 28 HEA	Mindfulness Club Room 10 GAH (Week B only)	Music Club Room 28 HEA	Year 7 Film Club Room 8 IZO	KS4 Music Club Room 28 HEA
		Year 10 Homework Club Room 36 RAH			
	KS3 Drama Club Hall JEM				
After school	GCSE Art and Photography Club 15:20-16:30 Room 17 ELB	Football 15:30-16:30 Playground Leyton Orient/AGI	Basketball Club 15:30-16:30 Sports Hall AGI		
	Year 7 English Action Tutoring (by invitation) Room 4 CAR	Year 10 Maths Action Tutoring (by invitation) Room 4 LAB			
		GCSE Art and Photography Club 15:20-16:30 Room 17 ELB			

As always, have a great weekend, looking forward to the last week of term!

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Silk', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the left.

Mr. Silk
Headteacher