

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE WINGS OF HOPE CHILDREN'S CHARITY - JUNE 2014

# WINGS NEWS

Lara Lewington, BBC Presenter and

reporter for technology programme

'Click', presided over the evening,

overseeing the smooth running of

presentations. We were very lucky to

have an esteemed set of presenters

to hand over the awards, including

Bernard Sande, Malawian High

Commissioner, Jackie Cooper (Global

Chair of PR Company Edelman) and

The Mayor of the London Borough

#### WOHAA Award Ceremony 2014 -Royal College of Surgeons

On 2nd May 2014, the most anticipated day of the WOHAA calendar arrived! Over 500 participants, teachers, parents, friends and family descended on the Royal College of Surgeons in Holborn to celebrate their WOHAA achievements in style. The theme this year was 'Going for Gold' and students were encouraged to dress up as 'winners', channelling their sporting, acting and academic heroes for the chance to win the coveted 'Best Dressed' prize. The evening began with a performance from the world famous Pineapple Dancers who got the crowd ready and raring to go with a performance full of energy and electricity.

Performances from Joseph Hamm of Dulwich College and Abhinav Vudathu from Queen Elizabeth's Boys also had the crowd entranced. Upcoming singer-songwriter Cally Rhodes closed down the evening with an incredible performance, getting the crowd hyped up with brilliant covers songs.



Overall Winners - Young Volcanoes

of Sutton, Councillor Sean Brennan. **BEST PRESENTATION:** Summit - Latymer Upper School MOST AWARENESS RAISED Team Fuse - North London Collegiate, Heathfield School, Upton Court & St Helen's **MOST FUNDS RAISED:** Team Reach - Merchant Taylor's School **SPEAK OUT** Team IGNITE - Claremont High School **BEST TEACHER:** Kathryn Walley - Heathfield School MOST INNOVATE Team STEP - Collingwood College **OVERALL RUNNERS UP** e-LEMON-ators - Heathfield, Henrietta Barnett, Beaconsfield High & Richmond upon Thames College **OVERALL WINNERS** 

Young Volcanoes - Nonsuch High School and Greeancres High School

Dear Colleagues & Students,

We have made it through another year of WOHAA! I would firstly like to say a huge thank you to all of the teams involved. This year saw some truly innovative ideas and the kind of hard work and passion that we at WOHAA dream about!

We would also like to give a special thank you to all the schools teachers and parents that participated this year, without whom WOHAA would not be possible.

The Awards are obviously at the forefront of our minds at the moment, but we had some other very successful events as well. Including Speed Mentoring at the Royal college of Surgeons and several trips to Cambridge University, all of which I feel benefitted those who took part tremendously. We are looking forward to more of the same next WOHAA school year! We are very proud of these events and also very thankful to the volunteers and associates that make them possible.

As schools go on summer break we will also have a relaxed few weeks, preparing for September and a brand new WOHAA year. We look forward to seeing you all again and hope you have a lovely summer!

Best wishes,

Mrs Rajni Sriram, CEO & Co-founder

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## Wings of Hope Badge competition

The Wings of Hope are looking for a fresh, new design for a pin badge that can be worn by participants and associates to show their affiliation to the charity and to WOHAA.

Brief: Material: metal / enamel Colour: any, must fit WOH branding Format: High Res jpg / PDF / Vector

The design must be eye catching and attractive. It must represent the Wings of Hope and WOHAA as a professional organisation, but have a sense of fun and light heartedness too.

For fonts and logo email info@thewingsofhope.org

### WOHAA Oxford University Trip

16 June 2014

The Wings of Hope are having an exclusive FREE trip to St. Peter's College - Oxford University.

Schedule for the day:

Time of meeting at oxford bus station : 10.30 am. College your and talks start at 11.00 am. Finish at 12.30 pm. This will be followed by a walking tour of Oxford . We should be finished by 1.30 pm. \*\*You will need to make your own way to Oxford and back\*\*

This is for 2013-14 WOHAA Participants only and spaces are limited, so contact us now!

#### WOHAA Semi Finals 2014 -House of Lords



On Tuesday 29th April 2014, 34 lucky WOHAA teams took to the stage at the House of Lords to present in front of the panel of judges at the WOHAA 2014 Semi-Finals. Battling through

The Judging Panel

the London Underground strikes, teams arrived at Millbank House to present their fundraising efforts to the distinguished panel of judges

Panellists this year included: Sir David Jason (legendary actor), Sean Biggerstaff (actor- Oliver Wood in Harry Potter films), Sophie Kinsella (author – Confessions of a Shopaholic), Alok Sharma (MP Reading West), Christopher Sandamas (Chief Clerk, Buckingham Palace), Amur Lakshmi (Tata Consultancy Services global leadership team), John Thornhill (Deputy Editor, The Financial Times), Lady Elizabeth Roberts (Dean of Studies for Scholars at Oxford University) and Baroness Verma.





Sir David Jason

Team Step



Team Summit

Teams Being Briefed



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