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Summary

This report updates Members on recent education activities, including a short summary of each event. It also lists upcoming education events for the 2017/18 academic year. Events are listed as they relate to the Education Strategy: Culture, education and employability.

Recommendation

Members are asked to note the report.

Main Report

Recent activities

Culture

1. City Schools Arts Exhibition – July 2017

- The City hosted the inaugural City School Arts Exhibition at Guildhall on 5 July. The exhibition was open to all Members and City Corporation staff. The exhibition showcased the incredible talent and different styles of students across the family of schools.

2. Schools Visit Fund – update as at 12 October 2017

- The Education Board provides funding to the School Visits Fund. Schools in Greater London can apply for funding to cover costs to visit venues in the square mile. At least 30% of pupils at the schools applying must be eligible for Pupil Premium. There have been a total of 208 successful applications since the Fund's launch in 2015, benefiting 10,963 pupils. Schools benefiting from the fund have an average Pupil Premium rate of 51%. The programme has received very positive feedback from schools, with 93% stating they would visit their chosen venue again.

Education

3. City Schools Economics Conference – June 2017

- Two students from the City of London School for Girls organised an economics conference at Guildhall. Ian Stewart from Deloitte's and Gemma Tetlow from the Financial spoke about the future challenges to the British economy to an audience of Year 12 students.

4. Leadership course for prefects at City of London School for Girls – June 2017

- The City of London School for Girls hosted a leadership day for approximately 70 student leaders from the City Corporation's secondary

academies and independent schools. Students were involved in workshops where leadership qualities and the importance of voice and presence were discussed. The students also went on a treasure hunt around the City. CLSG had excellent feedback from students, who seemed to gain a lot from the experience.

5. City Schools Athletics Day – 27 September 2017

- The City Corporation hosted the inaugural City Schools Athletics Meet at Parliament Hill Athletics Track. The event focused on running races, with Year 10 students competing in the 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m and 1500m distances, as well as the 4x100m and 4x400m relays. It was a very successful event, with positive feedback from students and staff. The City of London Academy Southwark won the event.

Upcoming activities

Culture

6. Education Float in the Lord Mayor's Show – 11 November 2017

7. City Schools Concert – 15 January 2018

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8. Prefects Dinner – 20 November 2017

9. City Schools Staff Conference – 26 January 2018

10. City Schools Debate – 2 March 2018

Employability

11. Careers Conference – 2 March 2018

Mental Health

12. In partnership with the City Corporation Public Health team, we will be offering teachers at our academies the opportunity to do Mental Health First Aid training with Mental Health First Aid England. The City of London School has also used this service and found it very useful. Staff will be trained as instructors, so they will be able to train other staff in mental health first aid at their schools.

13. We are currently gathering information about mental health issues and provision at the new academies that joined the Trust in September.

Conclusion

14. This report updates Members on recent education activities. It also provides a list of upcoming events through to the end of the 2017/18 financial year.

Appendices

- None

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