





Easter Half Term Newsletter 2022

Message from Katie:



Spring is here! This time last year we held World book day over Zoom so it is great to see students decorating classroom doors and visiting Greenford Library this year! Students have been actively engaged with their community (see below) and we have celebrated events such as Red Nose Day, International Women's Day and Autism Awareness Week. Staff and students filmed an exciting collaboration with Autism Education Trust (AET) which will be available to watch soon and we welcomed Gary (Teaching Assistant) and Debbie (Education Social Worker) to the team. Debbie has introduced monthly Parent

workshops with Sally from Connexions and Paul (Clinical Psychologist) as a guests discussing options for the future and mental health and anxiety. On the 26th April 2pm, will be Mencap talking about services available. Have a lovely Easter break and see you next term!

Pathway 1

It has been another fantastic term at college. We have had some exciting CEIAG (Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance) events this term including; A Glaxo Smith Kline careers insight virtual session, a trip to Sandown Park Racecourse for The National Apprenticeship Show, Mercedes-Benz World and a Virtual Recruitment fair.













Lunch time clubs have taken off this term with: Dance, Seated Yoga, Sewing, Tennis and Fit clubs. As part of our Friday afternoon choices activity we will be exploring a new social scenario for pathway 1. The last one was a visit to a local pub (!) and the next one is to Subway.

MASSIVE congratulations to Billy (Reception Assistant), Toufik (Site Assistant) and Adam (Teaching Assistant) who successfully applied, interviewed and have started some in-house work experience roles. As part of National Science Week, we supported our environment with 45 minutes of 'Plogging' too – Great Effort by everyone!

Pathways 2 & 3: Spring term has been busy and full of interesting events. We celebrated World Book Day,

decorating our classrooms doors and talking about our favourite books. We celebrated Red Nose Day with all the students in college. We did lots of fun

> activities and had a successful cake sale. We raised £165 in total to support this great cause. Thank you to

everyone that contributed.

In Maths, Pathways 2 have been exploring even and odd numbers and ordering and sequencing numbers and Pathways 3 have been learning addition and subtraction and ordering numbers up to 20. In ICT, we have been focusing on how to stay safe online and how to use the internet to extract information.



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We have had some nice opportunities to visit the local community. We have visited the Greenford library and did some of our reading sessions there. We loved exploring books and learning about the history of Greenford library. We also did some trips to the local parks; Ravenor and Perivale Park.

Pathway 4



It is finally beginning to feel like spring, and Pathway four are happy to be accessing outdoor learning more often in the sunny weather. Students have been working in our community garden using the 'no dig' method with recycled cardboard and learning how to sow wild flower seeds. Next



term we hope to create a small area that is rich with wildflowers which are valuable habitat for insects and wildlife. We collaborated with all students and built our new wormery so they can observe the life cycle of worms and them to recycle food waste into fertilizer for our garden. We are aiming to start an eco-club in the summer term to learn lots of fun facts about worms.

In cooking, students have perfected their cupcake baking skills, in preparation for selling in our new shop. We hope to have the new shop up and running in the summer term, giving students a wonderful opportunity for work experience in a safe and supportive environment. They have also participated in yoga and tennis sessions to increase our body awareness, mindfulness, self-esteem and improving our emotional regulation. Thank you to Nigel from Ealing music service delivered 6 amazing session which students (Pathway 2, 3 & 4) loved participating in and we hope to have him back soon.

We welcomed Gary in our class who already is a valued member of team and a fountain of knowledge in our garden! Big congratulations to Adam from Pathway 1, who was

successful in his application for the teaching assistant job role in Pathway 4. The students are very excited that you are helping them with their reading and phonics. To help celebrate International Women's Day we made some wonderful tote bags for all the women.





If you feel you can offer any work opportunity, volunteering or mentoring to our students please email post16@springhallow.ealing.sch.uk as we would love to hear from you!

















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