



Three Bridges School Newsletter

March 2019

Overview

It is almost the Easter holidays and we have a few updates for you and some news too.

Staff news

As you may be aware we are currently recruiting. We hope to be welcoming new staff to join our team of LSAs. Sadly, this will be Alice's last term with us before she takes up a new position and we wish her all the best in her new adventure.

E-Safety & Safeguarding

As always, the safety of our students is our main concern. Many of you will have heard on the recent news and social media about increasing online risks to children. If you would like more information on keeping your child safe online at home, you may want to look at the NSPCC website. It is important to stay up to date with social media apps and sites your child may use. Consider the following questions:

Do you know if your child is using social media?

Do you know what they are using?

Have you considered the risks?

The risks include: Interaction with complete strangers, revealing too much information and cyberbullying. Childnet's advice and guidance for parents and carers is to talk and listen to your children and keep the lines of communication open. <http://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers/hot-topics/social-networking>

Upcoming Events

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End of term

Friday 5th April

Early Close 1.30pm

Term Begins

Tuesday 23rd April

Bank Holiday

Monday 6th May

Half Term

Friday 24th May

Disco 5-6.30pm

Early Close at 1.30pm

News and Information

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[Click here for information on e-safety](#)

[Click here to read our most recent Ofsted Report](#)

To find out more about specific social media apps, sites, online games and video games visit Commonsensemedia and Netaware: <https://www.commonsensemedia.org/>
<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/>

Remember: NSPCC's Online Safety helpline 0808 800 5002 and Childline (0800 1111)

Other News

Red Nose Day

Thank you to all the parents who so kindly donated and attended our fundraising event on Friday 15th March. Students baked a variety of cakes of their own design throughout the week and these were on sale to staff and students for a donation. On Friday morning we held a cake & bake sale with produce donated by staff and students. We were all entertained by performances from Mikey, Dylan and Sam who kept us thoroughly amused by doing something funny for money. Daniel helped to advertise the event and Kayne produced a lovely banana cake. We raised a whopping total of £148.26! Many thanks for your generosity and support.





Youth Parliament

Many of our students took part in the Youth Parliament Elections last month. They found out about the voting process, the purpose of an election and the counting process. Two students, Sam and Kieran, visited County Hall earlier this month to contribute to the SEND Conference, where they informed the panel about their part in the elections. They have also been invited back to meet with the panel again at a later date.

School Disco

Thank you to all who attended our last school disco. Everyone had a great time, Ben Thorpe was our DJ for the evening treating us to several live performances. Students were encouraged to take the microphone, whilst being accompanied by Ben which we all enjoyed. We look forward to our next event on Friday 24th May and will update you nearer the time about what we will be doing.





Community Contribution:

This term Mikey, Dylan and Kieran have been visiting Gwinear Church where they have been maintaining an area of the churchyard. They have cleared areas ready for planting, planted wildflowers and have been mowing the grass and potting plants ready for planting later in the Spring. The students work carefully enjoying the peacefulness of their surroundings. Josh has been continuing with his litter pick at Mount Hawke park and Erin is developing her garden next to her learning space. This community contribution will be counting towards their Duke of Edinburgh awards and ASDAN qualifications.



Contact:

We like to keep in touch with news and events through email and newsletters throughout the academic year. If you would like to make any suggestions or comments at any time, please feel free to contact us at the school: 01872 561010, via Kathleen's school mobile: 07813 930824, by email: any of the teachers in the same format as, or Sam, our administrator: samantha.England@spectrumasd.org We look forward to hearing from you.

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