Pield Heath House School - Summer Half Term Update, May 2019

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Summer Half Term Update 24th May 2019



Dear Friends of Pield Heath,

It was good to see so many of you at the recent Parents Evening. You will see from this mini-newsletter, that it has been filled with lots of exciting activities. Some of the highlights included The WE Walk for Water Event, participating in the Hillingdon Inclusive Choir Performances and various Sports Activities.

We look forward to welcoming students back on Monday 3rd June.

Hope you all have a relaxing and enjoyable half term.

Thank you,

Eryl D'Souza Associate Principal – Community & External Partnerships



Residential 'Outstanding'

We are delighted that our Residential care has, once again, been graded 'Outstanding' at our recent Ofsted inspection for the 6th successive time. Students benefit significantly from this experience which enables them to develop their life skills as well as take part in a range of extra curricular activities.

A special thank you to Jennifer Isaac, Care Manager and the Care Staff at St Joseph's House for all their commitment. We are very proud of both our staff and students for achieving Outstanding.

If you are interested in finding out more about short breaks or respite care please contact the school.

"Children thoroughly enjoy their residential short breaks and are extremely happy during them.' Children make outstanding progress in learning and practical independence skills."

Ofsted Social Care Inspection Report, February 2019

Sports Events

This half term, students have taken part in many different sports events.

We had a team represent the school at the finals of the Lord's Taverners Table Cricket Finals at Stoke Mandeville School on Wednesday 15th May.



and came second receiving a silver medal. Well done.







Inclusive Choir

Our school Inclusive Choir has taken part in several concerts at many different schools. Students travelled to Sacred Heart Junior School, Bourne School and Pentland Field School to perform. Lake Farm and Hayes Park Schools visited Pield Heath where we hosted an afternoon performance.

Students thoroughly enjoyed all the events and performed exceptionally well. Thank you to all involved for making these concerts such a success.







3B - Fun Day Bus

This half term 3B had a day on the Fun Day Bus provided by the Levenfiche Foundation.

All the students loved the day of activity and play. The bus took 3B to Thames Valley Adventure Playground. A great time was had by all.

Many thanks to the Levenfiche Foundation for providing our students with these opportunities.







The Tate Year 3 Project

This year schools across London are taking part in a very special learning project led by globally renowned artist, Steve McQueen, with the Tate gallery, Artangel and the educational charity A New Direction. Every Year 3 class across the capital has been invited to take part in one of the largest group portraits ever made and to see their class photograph among thousands of others in a vast exhibition at the prestigious Tate Britain in central London.

Our school is delighted to be a part of this and is excited about seeing our Year 3 class photograph(s) become part of one of the most compelling British artworks of our time.







Magic Table

On Friday 10th May VBC Media Studies students had the opportunity to go to Uxbridge Library to use the interactive 'Magic Table'. The 'Magic Table' projects animations on to a table surface which allows users to interact with the images by moving their arms and hands.

Students had a great time and very much enjoyed the interactive experience.

Staff Recognition Award

Our Staff Recognition Award rewards a member of staff who has been nominated by colleagues for doing something outstanding.





PARENT / CARER ZONE - useful information for parents & carers

Parents Evenings - 9th and 23rd May

It was good to see so many of you at our recent Parents Evenings. We hope that you found it a useful opportunity to discuss and review the progress that your child has made, as well as to find out more about all the other extra- curricular activities during the year.



COMMUNITY



May - The Month of Mary

On the 15th May we had a special Mass. Thank you to everyone who sent in flowers. After the Mass we had a Procession to the Grotto to celebrate May as the Month of Mary.



Sr Esther Soko

We were delighted to welcome Sr Esther Soko, who is one of the Sisters of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary. During her time with us in May she supported classes and also led an assembly where she gave us a short presentation about life in Zambia.



Caritas - Community and Participation

Love in Action is an engagement programme designed by Caritas, Westminster to introduce Parishes and Schools to the principles of <u>Catholic Social Teaching (CST)</u>.

There are 6 Principles that we will be looking at over the programme.

- Dignity
- Solidarity and Peace
- Option for the Poor
- Creation
- Community and Participation
- Dignity of Workers



WE Walk for Water

In March a group of students represented our school at WE Day which was a National Event. The day was all about how we can make a difference by working together. As a result this term we participated in the WE Day International one day fundraiser by hosting a sponsored walk on Friday 3rd May. To raise awareness of how precious water is and how people walk for miles carrying water which is very heavy, some people also choose to walk carrying water bottles. Thanks to your very kind generosity and support we were able to raise an amazing total of £400 which will go towards water projects in India. So Well done to everyone.

As Craig and Marc Kielburger the Founders of WE said "when we all work together, our small actions will create a tidal wave of good and together, WE can change the world".





FUNDRAISING



Colour Obstacle Run

Some of our staff took part in the Colour Obstacle Run in Windsor on Saturday 18th May to raise money for Cancer Research UK.

They all completed the challenge and had great fun whilst doing so. Well done.

SAVE THE DATE! - Family Fun Day, Thursday 27th June

This year we are combining School Sports Day with fundraising stalls and refreshments on Thursday 27th June from 11.00am. Stalls will include a tombola and Grand Prize Draw. Everyone is

be sent out after half term and if you need more please email eryl.dsouza@pieldheathschool.org.uk.

As always we are grateful for your support to make this event a real success; if you have any gifts for tombola prizes we would be most grateful, please send to school marked 'Summer Fun Day'.



Pield Heath 100 Club

Our **100 CLUB** is a great way to support school whilst having a bit of a flutter!

An annual fee of £12 (£2 per half term) buys you one membership number which enters you into a prize draw that takes place on the last day of each half term - 6 draws per Academic Year. If you win, you will be notified and a cheque will be posted to your home address.

The prize money will be 35% of the membership fee taken that month, the remaining 65% will go to school to fund equipment and resources.

1st Prize 20% 2nd Prize 10% 3rd Prize 5%

Wining numbers in the draw this Half-Term were:

1st Prize: 40 2nd Prize: 43 3rd Prize: 48

Winners cheques will be sent after half term.

Remember, there can only be a maximum number of **100** members so this is an *exclusive* club with good odds of winning! For more information please call school or contact eryl.dsouza@pieldheathschool.org.uk

Important Dates for your diary:

Term Dates Summer 2019

Half Term: Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May

Summer 2 Term: Monday 3rd June - Friday 19th July

Staff Training Days: Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd July - School Closed

School term dates can be found on our website.





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