Summer End of Term July 2025



Dear Friends of Pield Heath

As we approach the end of the school year we reflect on some highlights which enabled our students to participate in a wide range of educational, cultural and social activities. These included trips to The Natural History Museum in Tring, Hobbledown Heath in Hounslow and other local attractions.

This term, we say goodbye to Sarah Ball our Personal, Social, Development (PSD) Lead and 6th Form Tutor, Clare Lucas our Science Coordinator and Key Stage 4 Tutor and Bhindu Odedra our Clinical Therapies Lead. We thank them all for their valuable contribution and wish them well for the future. Thanks also to the long-term agency staff who have worked with us throughout the year.

Good Luck to the students who are leaving this summer. It is great to see all the areas in which they have excelled. We are very proud of their achievements and we look forward to hearing about their continued success.

On behalf of everyone I would like to say a very sincere thank you to the families and friends of Pield Heath for your support and engagement throughout the year.

Wishing everyone a wonderful time over the summer holiday. Hope you have time to rest, refresh and enjoy the company of family and friends.

Eryl D'Souza

Associate Principal Community & External Partnerships



Tutor Group 3C

The students in 3C have been studying Charlie and The Chocolate Factory in English. This has helped them to develop their comprehension and creative writing skills.

In ICT, the students have been learning how to code Microbit mini-computers, recently they coded their own thermometers. These were then tested in a variety of locations around the school.

Some students were selected to play in an inter-school football tournament and we were delighted that they all returned with winning medals.

Finally, students enjoyed an end of year treat at a local bowling alley and they finished the day with a special treat at Nandos.



Tutor Group 3N

3N's Summer Term: A Celebration of Learning, Growth & Fun

3N have had buckets of fun while continuing to grow in independence and confidence. Alongside working hard on their personal learning targets, the class have shared many exciting experiences together, making memories they'll carry with them as the year ends. In Maths, 3N explored money, learning how to match values to coins and understand the concept of exchange. These skills were put into practice during our community skills trips, where students independently selected and purchased 2 or 3 items while navigating a shopping aisle. Pupils communicated using spoken language, visuals, or symbols, whichever best supported their needs.

Through our community visits, students also developed key life skills, including how to speak to safe adults in unfamiliar places like Legoland. They practiced public eating etiquette at Nando's and built on their social interaction skills with group picnics in the park.

One of the highlights of the term was being awarded the 'Fun Bus', which led to a fantastic trip to Hobbledown Heath, an experience full of laughter and joy!

Our focus on health and safety included learning about safe environments. To bring this learning to life, 3N visited the local fire station, where they explored the features of fire engines and learned how firefighters help keep us safe. We ended the term with a special trip to the Natural History Museum, where pupils took part in a sensory workshop. In a calming, softly lit space, they explored different animals through touch, sound, and scent.







Tutor Group 3P

In Knowledge of the World (KOW) 3P have been learning about the weather and making daily weather reports. During the heatwave they learnt about ways to try and keep cool, including waterplay. In literacy they have been working on Colourful Semantics, using 3 stages 'Who? Doing What? Where?'







Tutor Group 4H

4H have been working on all areas of the curriculum, they enjoyed some of the options and the challenge of working towards various different accreditations. They participated in all the school events including the Family Fun and Sports Day where they did well in winning some of the prizes. As a treat, they went on a trip to a bowling alley and the arcades and then had lunch in McDonalds.





Tutor Group 4L

In Literacy we have been working on Rhyming words. In Numeracy we have been trying to develop our skills in Multiplication. We also managed to have fun going out to places and gaining more independence by travelling on public transport, using the cash machines in ASDA and TESCO and shopping at Hotel Chocolate. We enjoyed two birthday celebrations as a class team and were happy to welcome a new student into our class.







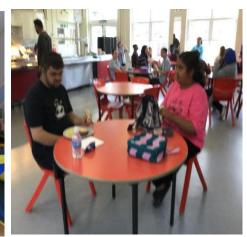
Tutor Group PH+A

PH+A has had many positive experiences and grown closer together as a team.

They have continued to build on their social interaction, their independent living skills, communication, cooking, and the core subjects of Numeracy and Literacy. This term, they particularly enjoyed sensory stories and Signalong.







Tutor Group PH+B

This term in PH+B class we enjoyed exploring puppets and engaging in role-play activities during Music sessions. We have had successful trips in the local community learning to make choices and taking part in shopping trips at a local supermarket.





Tutor Group PH+C

We celebrated one of our students' 16th birthday, which was a special moment for everyone. The group also had the chance to visit the 'Looking Good' room, where they tried out the massage chair, which was a relaxing treat! Throughout the term, PH+C have taken part in a variety of sensory activities and have enjoyed making and tasting healthy snacks. It's been a fun and engaging term.







Tutor Group PH+D

Students in PH+D have continued developing their independence through various community skills trips. They went to McDonald's, where students had the opportunity to practice ordering food and handling money in a real setting. They showed confidence and enjoyment as they interacted with staff and peers. It was a lovely experience where students shared a meal, socialised, and built their confidence in the wider community.

PH+D students have been enjoying dancing and singing to Singalong songs during Morning Tutor Time. One of their favourites is "Green Light, Red Light," which they were introduced to in Signalong. Students gather with staff at the front of the room and follow the music by dancing when they hear "Green Light" and freeze when they hear "Red Light." This fun and lively activity helps wake them up and gets them ready for the day ahead.



PH+D students have enjoyed cycling sessions at the bike track this term as part of their Thrive activities. These sessions supported students' physical development by helping them improve their balance, coordination, and motor skills—all while having fun outdoors.







Tutor Group VBC A

This term we have followed exciting stories about Mermaids and Pirates during our literacy lesson.

We have had an opportunity to practice our building skills in PE session admiring the height and balance of the tower.

In Maths, we have worked on patterns and sequences using colourful pins.







Tutor Group VBC B

VBC B had a very productive term. With the weather getting warmer, the students enjoyed many outdoor activities, such as riding a bike, water play in a paddling pool or walking.

They also accessed many school settings which included going to the Chapel, the library, The Looking Good Room, St Joseph's House and The Well Café.

They enjoyed working on developing their independent living and leisure skills.







Tutor Group VBC C

VBC C has been accessing the wider community. They have been visiting local shops, parks and restaurants within the local community. Students have engaged well within this and have made good progress with their travel training programme.







Tutor Group VBC D

VBC D designed and made items to sell at the Summer Fayre. The students led a whole school assembly and enjoyed participating in all the various activities on Sports Day.

They have also been working hard on their individual reading targets and have been using the iPad to extend their phonics work.

The enjoyed an end of year trip to McDonalds as a reward for all their hard work in textiles and Team Enterprise.

Two students in the Class made their First Holy Communion which was a joyful event for the whole school Community. They have also been been out and about on trips to Ruislip and Hayes shopping and gaining confidence using trains as well as planning local bus routes.







Tutor Group VBC E

VBC E have been busy taking part in several different sports events following up from their coaching from Brentford FC and Golf for Autism. They took part in Special Olympics with Brentford learning football, basketball and athletic skills. It was wonderful day of sport and every one received a lovely medal. Jake our wonderful coach from The Golf Trust organised two days of golf activities taking the skills learnt through his coaching sessions onto the range and crazy golf.







Tutor Group VBC F

VBC F have enjoyed a fantastic year together.

They have visited numerous exciting places and have learnt to use their travel apps to get about.

They have hosted lots of events and gone to those hosted by others. This is a photo of them when they got the opportunity to meet The Mayor of Hillingdon at the Science Technology Engineering Maths (STEM) event hosted by Brunel University.

We say goodbye and good luck to four of our VBC F students this July Thank you for being so amazing!











Performing Arts

This term in Performing Arts, Pathway 1 have been exploring puppets and have been looking at characteristics. Pathway 2 have been exploring different dance techniques such as pirouettes, step



kicks and step ball changes. Pathway 3 have been exploring monologues and improvisation. It has been a fantastic term for Performing Arts!







Therapists News

The pictures from the Alert Group show students in 4L participating in different activities to change their body speed. Jake is using his speedometer to identify that his body engine speed is running 'just right'.







Horticulture

We have enjoyed a fantastic year in the Pield Heath gardens with the beautiful weather definitely keeping us busy this term. The Student Gardeners have worked hard to keep the gardens thriving for the whole school community to enjoy. They have created colourful hanging baskets and planters for the front of the school, receiving great comments about their work. Thank you to everyone that has worked so very hard on our projects throughout the year. We look forward to the Autumn projects when we return in September.







Summer of Sport

Students from VBC and the school took part in the Panathlon Football festival. They had a great time learning new skills and everyone got a medal for participating. In lessons classes were working on athletic skills of running, throwing and jumping getting ready for Sports Day. Well done to everyone who took part and all the winners.







Community

The Summer Term began with a whole school Staff Service. The theme was to reflect on the life and legacy of Pope Francis. Every tutor group was invited to design a candle and either share a prayer or quote. We created a display of some of the ways in which the Pope's death was recorded in the







news. Staff were invited to share their personal thoughts about his special qualities. The RE Ambassadors led a beautiful tribute to honour Pope Francis and to thank him for his years of devoted and loving service. Our challenge now continues to be Pilgrims of Hope in this special Jubilee Year.

We then waited and prayed as The Conclave started in Rome. On 8th May with the rest of the world we rejoiced at the election of Pope Leo XIV. We had a special assembly to mark this significant moment. We continue to work as he has asked us to making our world a more peaceful place.



Masses & Special Feast Days

18th May was the Feast of Victor Braun, the Founder of the Sisters of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary.

On 27th & 28th June we marked the Congregations Feast Day as we wished The Community of The Sisters of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary.



On 7th May Fr Nicholas Schofield celebrated a Mass to mark May as the Month of Mary. After Mass students and staff laid flowers at the statue of Mary and Fr Nicholas gave us all a special blessing. Many thanks to everyone who kindly sent in flowers for this annual Mass. Thanks also to Nicky Grieve our Outdoor Learning Development Manager and her team of Gardeners who help to maintain the Grotto all year round so that we can pray and worship in our beautiful school grounds.







Sacramental Preparation

Under the supervision of Agnes Komasiak our RE Coordinator and with the support of staff, 7 students participated in a Sacramental Preparation Programme. The students received the Sacrament of Reconciliation on 7th May.



On 18th June the students made their First Holy Communion. Thank you to Agnes Komasiak for preparing the students and to Fr Nicholas Schofield and to Angela Atkins the Pastoral Assistant at Our Lady of Lourdes & St Michael Uxbridge for all their support throughout the year.





This summer term the Catering and Hospitality group were asked to provide a tea for the families and the students who came for the First Holy Communion celebration.

The students decided on scones/jam and clotted cream and a lovely carrot and lemon and lime cake.

The team worked hard making the food, setting up the dining room and serving the guests. The event went very well and all the students served tea and juice to all attendees along with clearing up after the event.

The students have had great success with their events this year and have shown a huge growth in skills as well as confidence in dealing with queries and serving customers.







Laudato Si

 $24^{\circ}-31^{\circ}$ May marked the 10° anniversary of The Encyclical on the Care for Creation called Laudato Si. Pope Leo XIV has expressed clearly that he will continue to raise awareness of this issue following the efforts of his predecessor Pope Francis. The theme that was chosen this year was 'Raising Hope.'



Eco-Committee



This term, the Eco Committee pledged to help tackle food waste.

Along with Sarah Jane's cookery students, students have been learning how every little action makes a difference.

We have regular collections of the classroom food waste as well as from the Dining Room and VBC Common Room.

"The Creator does not abandon us; he never forsakes his loving plan or repents of having created us. Humanity still has the ability to work together in building our common home." Pope Francis

Special thanks to Sarah-Jane Beavis and Nicola Grieve for all their efforts in coordinating this initiative.

Independent Living Skills

Students have worked hard to develop a range of independent living skills.





Developing Catering Skills in our school kitchen.







Working as a team to get ready for our Annual Leavers Prom.



Celebrations and Community Skills

As always it was good to celebrate student birthdays.



Thank you to the Levenfiche Foundation for providing our students in 3N with a wonderful day out at Hobbledown Heath in Hounslow.

Trip to visit family in Japan

Isaac went on a trip to Japan where he had the opportunity to meet some family members for the first time. He visited their local Church and participated in outreach events. He tried different foods and was fascinated by an information robot in Tokyo Station. These are some of the amazing photos of their trip which I'm sure the family will always treasure.







Fundraising

Family Fun Day

We hosted our Family Fun Day on 26th June. The event started with Sports Day coordinated by Sue Donaldson where students participated in a wide range of activities.



In the afternoon we had our Summer Fayre. We extended invitations to the Met Community Police Officers, St Johns Ambulance and a Team of Brunel Volunteers. Our school choir performed 2 songs to lead us into the Grand Raffle.



We are grateful to the following companies who kindly donated the 3 top prizes which included and the names of the lucky winners.

Xerox 1st Prize: 50" Sharp 4K LED UHD Smart Television - A.Pryce

Coopers Estate Agents 2[™] Prize: £100 Marks & Spencer Voucher – D. Ng

Axcis Agency 3rd Prize: Luxury Hamper – C. Jenkinson



The total amount that was raised was an amazing: £1,089.51

Summer / End of Year Events

Leavers Service

We had a special service on Wednesday 16th July. It was led by Sr Julie this was to reflect over the years the students have been at Pield Heath and to look forward as they start a new chapter in their lives. The RE Ambassadors shared a sketch about the Jubilee Year and as a team they created the image of the Jubilee Logo where we are all invited to be Pilgrims of Hope. It was lovely to see our Governors as well as guests who joined us for this service. Special thanks to our RE Ambassadors for all the ways in which they have enriched our assemblies and masses. Thank you also to Juli, Fern, Rakesh and our wonderful choir for leading the singing for all our community celebrations throughout the year.







Congratulations to the following students for winning these Special End of Year Awards:

The Bernie Walsh Service Award - Gad

The Morag Anderson Student of the Year Award 2025 – Mason





Thank a Teacher Day

18th June was "Thank a Teacher Day". On behalf of all the SLT and Governors we extended our appreciation and sincere thanks to all staff, who by their efforts support the care and education of all our students so that they can enjoy their school experience.



Leavers Prom

The Prom was an amazing celebration filled with joy, laughter, a few tears and a lot of dancing. It featured great food, speeches and a disco, as well as activities tailored to ensure everyone could participate fully, e.g. a pop-up sensory room and a bouncy castle. Students arrived in their finest attire, greeted by enthusiastic staff who made each student and guest feel special. The night was alive with music, dancing, and laughter, creating an atmosphere of pure delight. It was a memorable night that highlighted the beauty of diversity and the power of community.

Special thanks to Karolina Pelikan Head of Sixth Form and everyone who contributed to making this event a success. On the last day of term, students and staff were also treated to a lovely Summer Festival.









Wellbeing

We marked the Mental Health Awareness week which this year was from 12th – 18th May. The theme was 'Community'. All staff were invited to participate in the National Wear it Green Day on Friday 16th May. The day ended with a special assembly hosted by Karolina Pelikan to help raise awareness of Wellbeing. A special thank you also to our Nurse Sarah Whelan who offered a Staff Wellbeing Clinic over 3 weeks during the term.





Wellbeing Goodie Hamper

The Winners of the Wellbeing Goodie Hamper this term were Neil Taylor and Sarah Whelan.





The PBS Winners this term were Nasser (PH+C) and Donna (PH+B) – Well Done!



<u>Parents & Carers – Parent Consultations</u>

It was good to see so many of you at our Parents meetings.

We hope that you found it a useful opportunity to meet our staff, review the past year as well as find out about the extra-curricular activities throughout the year.



Dates for Your Diary

Autumn Term 2025

Training Days (Staff Only): Tuesday 2nd and Wednesday 3rd September 2025

Autumn 1: Thursday 4th September 2025 – Friday 24th October 2025*

Half Term: Monday 27th October 2025 – Friday 31st October 2025

Autumn 2: Monday 3rd November 2025 - Friday 19th December 2025*

For the academic dates for 2025-2026 please see the School Website

