



TWT HEADLINES

March 2023

*It's not until they know you care
that they will care about what you know.*



HEADTEACHER'S ADDRESS

Welcome to the Spring 2 round-up, a summary of what has been occurring at school and in our community this past $\frac{1}{2}$ term.

This period has seen our pupils stretch themselves, building confidence in their abilities and awareness of their community, both locally and in the wider London area.

Nurture pupils start the day with a **sensory circuit**, a practical way to help prepare for the day ahead. Pupils complete the sensory circuit, challenging one another to improve balance, motor skills and well-being.



Pupils in Nurture have also been completing a bespoke Art Project, using a range of materials and artistic styles to create unique works of art.

We aim to hold an art exhibition in the summer term to showcase this wonderful project, **parents/carers will be advised of dates once finalised.**

We have introduced **In-Line Skating Club on Monday and Wednesday lunchtimes**, an activity which has attracted a significant following.

Pupils don their helmets, knee pads, elbow pads and wrist shields and then they're off; it is amazing to see how quickly confidence builds from very shaky starting points. Once they

are all up on their feet, the activity teaches safety, how to recover from a fall and how to avoid collisions. **We are looking forward to a potential In-Line Skating Demonstration in the summer term.**



Pupils in KS4 have been mainly revising for final exams, the big focus is on Maths and English, with a few of our pupils completing vocational awards by means of a portfolio submission.

The Motor Vehicle pupils are on track to achieve after a busy ½ term of practical and theory. All have been involved with mechanical, trim and bodywork removal and repairs. They have

worked on staff vehicles to correct a range of faults and practice their skills. **All are very proud of their achievements to date.**

Our enrichment trips into the community have been varied and very well received by all participants. We have visited The RAF Museum in Hendon (one pupil telling us it was his best ever day out), The London Dungeons, An Escape Room, The London Sea Life Centre, Chinatown, Mercedes World, Oxygen, Flip Out, 10 Pin Bowling, Gaming Centre and an array of cafes and shops - all which have enhanced our pupils' social skills, problem-solving and travel planning skills, along with employability skills.



TERM HIGHLIGHTS

London Dungeons

This term saw a small section of KS3 take a trip to the Southbank's infamous London Dungeons. Both staff and students were taken on a terrifying trip through our capital's murky past. **The Fear factor was high but so were the laughs, closeness, and camaraderie** as our intrepid explorers showed that they were most certainly the right boys for The Write Time.

RAF Museum trip

It was chocks away and prepare for take-off as Nurture 1 and 2 cruised up to RAF Hendon. Both staff and students were flying high as they navigated their way through Great Britain's illustrious aviation history. **The students really engaged with the numerous interactive displays and were in awe of the scale and size of some of the aircraft.** Their attitude and 'go-get-them' mindset throughout echoed that of the brave few that defended our skies during World War II. Even a 4 hour round trip

Rory & World Book day

This term we had lots of fun moments that made days more enjoyable and memorable. Amongst these, **the visit of Rory the sausage dog - who was loved and cuddled by all our pupils,** including those afraid of dogs - and World Book Day, which saw our amazing staff dressing up as book characters to promote reading, publishing, and copyright.

Football match - Staff vs Pupils

Hot off the press, the termly Staff versus Pupils football match took place on 27th March 2023. A hard-fought, but respectful game was witnessed at The Legacy Selhurst Stadium. At half-time, the score was 3-2 to the pupils, at full-time whistle, it was 6-6. Penalties followed; the nerves were clear for all to see. The final score, 8-8, was **a pleasing result for what was a fantastic display of teamwork, communication and skills.**

couldn't dampen the spirits of our fine Nurture Aces.



IMPLEMENTING SPEECH AND LANGUAGE THERAPY

Our Speech and Language Therapist, Ashna, has completed assessments of pupils' needs, creating care plans with detailed targets and recommendations. The care plans have been shared with staff so

strategies can be embedded into lessons enabling teachers and support staff to support students with clear focus on their specific needs and areas of development specifically relating to communication and social skills. The care plans are also shared with parents/carers, with the therapist liaising with parents/carers should they require clarity. **Some pupils have now joined social skills group sessions with the therapist and are really enjoying this.**



SOME NOTICES



Food & School meals

Food – the school provides breakfast and a hot lunch free of charge. We publish a ½ termly menu to inform pupils (parents and carers) of the meal for each day. There is no meal



Uniforms

A reminder of uniform expectations. It makes such a difference when all children wear similar clothing, removing the issues around branded clothing levels the playing field

option, apart from Halal observations where necessary. **If your child does not like the meal on offer, please provide them with a packed lunch.** As part of our safeguarding arrangements, **we do not allow children offsite during the school day to purchase food or drink** and we do not permit **external deliveries of takeaway food.**

and helps us to be more inclusive. Just to confirm, it is **Black/Navy** bottoms (Trousers/Joggers/Skirts), **Black/Navy** sweatshirts/jumpers, **white** shirts/polo tops and **Black** shoes/trainers.

Please remember, we do have spare, used uniform in school if pupils do not have correct clothing.

Buy Uniform

VISITING PARENT

I would like to say how impressed I was with the school and all that it has to offer. I have visited many schools and can honestly say none of them gave me the feeling I got today. It was lovely to also meet the student who assisted with the tour, she really demonstrated how well the school has supported her.

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SAFEGUARDING UPDATE

Finally, safeguarding – during the Easter Break there will be an on-call member of the team available for any matter of a safeguarding nature. Please feel free to call one of the numbers:

31st March – 8th April 2023 – Lana Philippson - [07572 710635](tel:07572710635)

9th April – 17th April 2023 – Kevan Wayne-Morris - [07852 989992](tel:07852989992)

KEY DATES FOR NEXT HALF TERM



17th April

Inset day - No pupils at school



1st May

Bank Holiday (May Day)



18th April

Return to school



8th May

Bank Holiday (Coronation day)

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