



## October Half term – Everything you need to know

Headteacher's address, Trips Highlights, SALT course, Safeguarding update, Take Charge and so much more!



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## Headteacher Update

Welcome to the Autumn 1 round-up, a summary of what has been occurring at school and in the community this past ½ term.

Firstly, thank you all, for supporting us with uniforms, water and phones – your support is so valuable and provides consistency for our pupils. Your children are better equipped and more ready to learn when we work together.

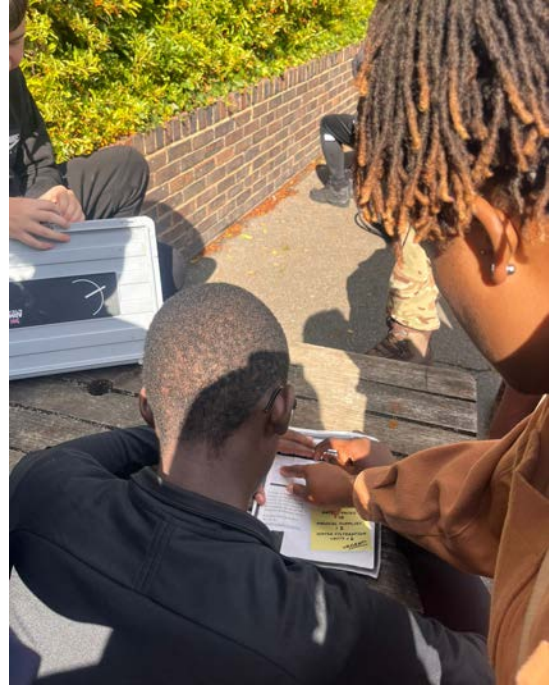
It has been a whirlwind of a half term; watching our new **year 7s settle in**, **Ofsted inspecting during week 2**, **a further external quality review during week 5** and our **autumn residential** for KS4. I really want to relay how extremely proud I am of all pupils, their commitment to learning, being ready to tackle new challenges and demonstrating our school values every day – my Friday Celebration Assemblies really are a pleasure, **recognising all the great things that your children are achieving.**



We have **elected a School Council**; **appointed School Ambassadors** and we are currently **recruiting for Library Monitors (x 2) and Anti-Bullying Champions (x 2)**. Our revised recognition and reward system is up and running and we will shortly be recognising individuals who have consistently demonstrated the 8 Personal & Social Skills that are embedded throughout the curriculum. Pupils will be able to collect enamel Brooches to identify them as achievers against our framework for **Personal & Social Skills Development**, important skills and qualities that prepare them for life beyond school.

We are launching our new Reading Strategy and shortly your child will be bringing home their 'Superstar Reading Records'. Our plan is to **encourage reading for pleasure**, and this will see students reading in school to teachers, being read to by teachers, and bringing books home to read to you. Please support your child by finding a special reading time each week. where you can all enjoy reading for pleasure and see your child's progress first-hand.

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## Trips Highlights

### Surrey street market, food and giraffes

We visited Croydon's historical market, with all of it's culture, canapes and curry goat! We walked to **Surrey Street Market and, on the way, we saw some giraffes.** As part of the art trail Croydon Stands Tall, 30-strong

### Tooting Market

Nurture 1 was excited to immerse themselves in a place that offered insights into history, community and the pride that is 'South London'! Experiencing the sights, sounds and smells that are unique to Tooting is

herd of giraffes, each one decorated by an artist and sponsored by local businesses, have been popping up on Croydon's streets for 10 weeks. We decided to start the scavenger hunt while trying food from different cuisines. Although we were only able to find 3 giraffes out of 37, Ks4 X tried foods from Korea and Korean pouch drinks, a fortune cookie from China and some spring rolls, peppers from the Caribbean and Pocky from Japan.

## Day Out at Tenpin, Croydon

The moment the pupils entered Tenpin, excitement filled the air as they were greeted by the vibrant glow of the neon-lit bowling lanes. With a mix of seasoned bowlers and newcomers, our students eagerly donned their bowling shoes and aimed for the pins. It was a heart-warming sight to witness our students having a blast, perfecting their bowling techniques, and cheering each other on while fostering friendly competition. We're already looking forward to our next adventure!

something that can only be described as a **wonderful example of how diversity and tradition can come together as one and provide a foundation for both intrigue and imagination.** A wonderfully enjoyable day!

## Wonders of Science at the Science Museum and Wonder Lab

Nurture 2 students embarked on a journey of curiosity and discovery as they visited the Science Museum and Wonder Lab in London. This educational escapade was **a perfect blend of science, technology, and interactive learning.** From the captivating displays of space exploration to the mesmerizing exhibitions on human biology, the students were fascinated by the wonders of the universe. The group then moved on to Wonder Lab, a place of creative experimentation. Here, students had the chance to dive deeper into various scientific concepts through hands-on experiments and interactive activities. The trip was an enriching adventure that left our students with a **renewed sense of wonder and a deeper appreciation for the world of science.**



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## Introducing new features: online SALT Course

We are thrilled to introduce a brand-new addition to our website that we believe will make a significant impact in the lives of the young people in our school seeking support and guidance for their speech and language development. Developed in collaboration with our Speech and Language Therapist, Ashna, our **SALT (Speech and Language Therapy) Course** is now available to explore.

### What is the SALT Course?

Our SALT Course is a comprehensive online resource dedicated to enhancing speech and language skills, **providing a holistic approach to support young people on their journey to improved communication.** Ashna, with her extensive expertise and experience, has crafted a programme that covers various aspects of speech and language development.

Start your journey today on our website and experience the transformation in your communication skills.

[SALT Course](#)



## Would you like a more harmonious family life? Check out our Take Charge programme

With Take Charge, we offer a comprehensive range of 1-to-1 and group support, including mentoring activities and counselling. We facilitate weekly coffee mornings,

providing a safe and welcoming space for parents of SEND children to gain knowledge, understanding, and peer support.

We believe this initiative has the potential to transform the lives of families in our community by empowering parents and fostering positive family dynamics and open communication.

If you would like to know more, **contact Suk at [07903689634](tel:07903689634)**

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## Key upcoming dates

**20<sup>th</sup>**

**20th October**

Final day of half term

**30<sup>th</sup>**

**30th October**

Return to school – start of half term 2

**31<sup>st</sup>**

**31th October**

Halloween Themed Dress-up Day (staff and pupils)

**10<sup>th</sup>**

**10th November**

Parent/Carer coffee morning (9.40 – 11.00 am)

**17<sup>th</sup>**

**17th November**

Children in Need Day

**13<sup>th</sup>**

**13th December**

Parents and Carers Evening (16.00 – 18.00 hrs)

**19<sup>th</sup>**

**19th December**

Final day of term (half day closing)

**20<sup>th</sup>**

**20st December**

INSET Day (Staff only)

**Safeguarding update**

Finally, safeguarding – in the first instance, please visit the safeguarding area of our website. This area has been created to provide you with signposts to agencies that can help with advice in most situations. If your safeguarding concern requires immediate, in person, support during the ½ term 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:

**21<sup>st</sup> October – 25<sup>th</sup> October 2023** – Kevan Wayne-Morris [07852 989992](tel:07852989992)

**26<sup>th</sup> October – 29<sup>th</sup> October 2023** – Lana Philippson - [07572 710635](tel:07572710635)

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