

Bridge House News



A Regular Newsletter for Parents & Carers

Wednesday 7th February 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

This term seems to have past us by in an absolute whirlwind. It only seems 5 minutes since we were welcoming students back from their Christmas break. Nevertheless, we have packed an incredible amount of learning into this very short term, with all our Young People looking at the human, physical, social moral, spiritual and cultural influences that have helped to shape our world, through the lens of our Enquiry Question “Why does the world look this way?” The students have enjoyed exciting trips to Gibraltar point, Skegness Aquarium and Wild Pines in order to further look at how our world has been shaped and influenced.

We are sad to be saying farewell to a number of members of the staff team at the end of this term. Mr Roome, our long-standing Art teacher is leaving us after 9 years’ service to the school; Mrs Percival, who has taught our students food and nutrition skills for the last 2 years, and Miss Harris, our science teacher who has been with us since September. We are also saying farewell to Courtney Hunt, as she moves on to begin her exciting new career with the local authority. I am sure you will join me in saying a huge thank you to all 4, for the hard work and commitment to supporting our young people, and wish them the best of luck in their new jobs.

Enrichment

Our children have continued to enjoy a range of enrichment opportunities across the campuses over Term 3.

At the primary campus, all children took part in a wonderful Enrichment WOW Day taking in different sessions planned by their teachers.

Children at the middle campus once again had lots of different activities to choose from, giving them lots of opportunities to gain new skills whilst finding new passions. Some of our children’s favourite choices this term were the following:

- Reading Café (academic)
- Printing Design (artistic)
- Table tennis (active)
- Special Effects (abilities)

At our upper school campus, some of our children’s favourite enrichment are listed below:

- Business enterprise (academic)
- Seasonal crafting (artistic)
- Dance (active)
- Woodwork (abilities)

Weekly Rewards

Children have been working hard to earn their weekly rewards. During this term children have had lots of opportunities to enjoy their rewards cross campus and offsite when reaching **GOLD!**

In week 1 children took part in a cross-campus bake off and the end results were delicious. Children also had the opportunity to take part in a cross-campus chess tournament, a trip out to the local Starbucks, a competitive game of football at the local sports arena and on week 5 children had lots of messy fun at the upper school campus making some wonderful art pieces!

Dates for Your Diary

Please note the following dates for the months ahead:

- ❖ 19.02.24— Start of Term 4
- ❖ 22.02.24 – WOW Day (all campuses)
- ❖ 26.02.24 – Primary Parents Evening
- ❖ 27.02.24 – Middle Parents Evening
- ❖ 28.02.24 – Upper Parents Evening
- ❖ 07.03.24 – World Book Day
- ❖ 13.03.24 – 14.03.24 – Y5/6 Residential
- ❖ 18.03.24 - Bikeability
- ❖ 28.03.24 – End of Term 4

Why does the world look this way?

To start off the term all children took part in a WOW Day to answer this terms enquiry question. Children explored 5 different influential people that have impacted the world we live in today. The five influential people are outlined below:

1. **Isambard Brunel** – children explored the work of Brunel and recreated an accurate 3D model of a selected Boston Bridge.
2. **McEscher** – children learnt about the work of McEscher and found out about his amazing mathematical links, children then recreated images in the style of Mc Escher.
3. **Arthur Miller**– groups worked as a team to write a dramatic play and perform it!
4. **David Webster OBE** – children took part in a range of fitness and strength tests to find out who the strongest team was.
5. **Charles Darwin** – the work of Darwin was explored, and children took part in a range of challenges including matching beaks and creating cartoons.

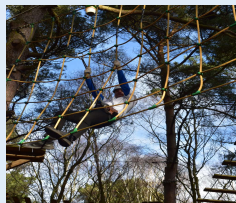


Wild Pines Park

On Thursday 1st February our upper school children went on a thrilling trip to Wild Pines Park! They took part in two different activities improving their communication, team working and independent skills. Children took part in high rope challenge course with many of them overcoming fears of heights and showing exceptional resilience! Many of our children set personal challenges for the day and achieved things they have never done before.

Our BTEC Sport and UPS students had the opportunity to participate in their Outdoor and Adventurous Activities unit, completing elements of their practical assessment. Learners had to communicate positively to instructors, provide support for their peers and demonstrate an array of physical skills whilst at height.

The second activity we took part in was bushcraft skills, pupils learnt the important aspects of survival of shelter. Our students enjoyed creating flames the most!

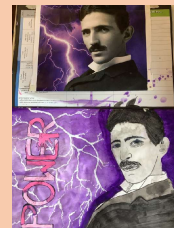


Our whole-school
Enquiry Question for
Term 3 is
*Why does the world
look this way?*

Artist of the Week

Below are some of the winners of this terms
“Artists of the week”.

Chris, Year 11



Ronnie, Year 11



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