



DRUMBEAT SCHOOL

Spring Term 2 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers

What a fantastic term we have had. I don't think we have ever had a larger newsletter! As you can see Careers Week was a resounding success with lots of visitors, speakers and businesses coming to see our students at Drumbeat.

We are now able to get out and about again so students are able to enjoy the great outdoors and lots of activities.

The children have been making fantastic progress with their learning and staff have been training in Mastery in Maths and school improvement strategies.

I hope that we can look forward to lots of lovely weather and even more exciting projects.

Thank you for all your support you provide to the school.

Marie Neave
Executive Headteacher

Dates for the Diary....

Mon 16 May — Thu 19 May
6th Form Residential

Thursday, 26 May
Last day of term for students

Friday, 27 May
INSET Day

Monday, 6 June
Queen's Platinum Jubilee Day
School will be closed on this day

Tuesday, 7 June
First day of term

Mon 20 June — Thu 23 June
KS4 Residential

Friday, 22 July
Last day of term
School will close at 1pm on this day

**NO PARKING
DO NOT BLOCK
DRIVEWAY**

Please be mindful when parking outside the school and ensure that local residents' drives are not blocked and bus entrances are kept clear.



School Uniform

Please name all your children's clothing as it is difficult to locate lost clothing without some form of identification.

Our school uniform consists of black trousers/skirt, plain white polo shirt and purple sweatshirt.

If you would like to order uniform please visit www.myclothing.com and put the school name in the box, this will then take you to our page. The address is also on the school website under 'for parents'.

Whitehall Clothiers in Lewisham also has a limited stock of our uniform. They are at 244a Lewisham High Street, London, SE13 6JU (Tel: 0208 852 8967 or www.whitehallclothiers.co.uk)

For swimming your child will need to bring a towel and swimsuit or costume. They will also need shorts and a T-shirt for P.E. lessons. These may be left at school, in a clearly marked bag.

In the 6th Form students can choose to wear their own clothes to school. In practice we find the vast majority of students choose this option and do not wear the Drumbeat school uniform.

MAYOR OF LONDON

Drumbeat School and ASD Service

48-78 Revelon Road
London SE4 2PR

Date: 28 March 2022

Dear Jayden, Kevin and Andrew,

I am writing to congratulate you on your winning entry to the water design competition over the summer.

As Mayor, I appointed London's child obesity taskforce to make sure every child in London has every opportunity to be healthy. The taskforce launched this competition, asking children across London to help them by designing an advertising campaign to promote the water only messages. Your design showed a huge amount of creativity and I thank you for all your hard work.

Alongside your prize to spend an afternoon with a top London design agency, I am very happy to be sending some water only stickers for you and your class to use on your water bottles. These will be arriving directly at your school. As we know, becoming a water only school, by drinking only water during school time, is a great way to stay healthy and protect our environment.

If your school is not already water only, there is a water only school toolkit with some tips that you can share with your teachers. They can find the toolkit on the [Healthy Schools London](#) website.

Again, congratulations and thank you for sharing your design and for championing the water only message.

Yours sincerely,



Sadiq Khan
Mayor of London

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Ofsted Parent View gives you the chance to tell Ofsted what you think of your child's school, including:

- how happy your child is at the school
- how the school manages bullying or challenging behaviour

If your child has special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND), we will ask how well the school supports them.

The questionnaire can be completed at any time - you don't have to wait until the school is being inspected.

We will use your responses to help us plan inspections. The information you provide can:

- inform discussions inspectors have with school leaders during an inspection
- help Ofsted decide when to inspect a school

In addition to this, we also publish the overall summary of the responses to Ofsted Parent View. This information is anonymised.

Please visit **<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>** to register and complete a survey to help your child's school improve.



Due to the Queen's Platinum Jubilee bank holiday which falls within May half term, schools are able to take an extra day of holiday. Drumbeat will be closed Monday, June 6th 2022 and will reopen Tuesday, June 7th 2022.

LONDON PARKOUR PROJECT

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SEND PARKOUR

Weekly SEND inclusive Parkour sessions for children aged 7–11 yrs

6 week programme (£54) – 23rd Feb – 30th Mar

When: Wednesdays 6:30 – 7:30 pm

Location: TNG Youth Centre, SE26 6AD

First Lesson is free

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Dear Parents & Carers

In support of the Ukrainian population we are collecting the following items that we will deliver to the Lewisham Polish Centre.

Since the beginning of the conflict has been fully active in collecting and delivering donations to the border between Poland and Ukraine.

Items that we will be collecting are the following:

- ♦ Sanitary products for women
 - ♦ First aid products
- ♦ Celox (needed for wounded in hospitals)
 - ♦ Bandages
- ♦ Hand and feet warmers
- ♦ Powder milk for babies
 - ♦ Hygiene products
 - ♦ Baby wipes
- ♦ Flash lights and batteries
 - ♦ Paper plates

Donations can be handed to reception at both sites.

Kindest regards,
Vincenzo De Noia

Inclusive Sessions: What's On



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Active. Inclusive. Together.



Disability Inclusion offers a wide range of sports and activities for children to take part in

This April the Active Together Inclusive Festival is taking place in Southwark for children and adults, FREE sports and activities are taking place in Thamesmead for D/deaf and disabled young people during the Easter Holidays and brand new inclusive tennis starts in Bromley! Covid-19 guidance is adhered to across all of the activities.

Please do get in touch with them if you have a question about the sessions or to see what is on offer in your area

Phone: 020 7993 9883

Email: Disability.Inclusion@AccessSport.co.uk

New Inclusive RAW Tennis - Bromley

- Saturday's - 12:00pm - 12:45pm
 - Ages 6 - 11 years
- OWLTC, Hayes Hill, Bromley, BR2 7HN
£12 for 5 weeks including first session free!



INCLUSIVE TENNIS

All disabilities / abilities welcome
Starting Saturday 23rd April 2022



OWLTC, Hayes Hill, Bromley, BR2 7HN
Saturday 12:00-12:45
For D/deaf, disabled and neurodivergent
children 6 – 11 years
Just £12 for 5 weeks including first session FREE!

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Disability inclusive sessions for d/Deaf and disabled children and young people. All abilities and disabilities welcome!

Build confidence, develop coordination, have fun!



Want to Join in?
To Register:

[Bit.ly/AquilaInclusive](https://bit.ly/AquilaInclusive)

or scan the QR code!



Delivered in line with Covid-19 guidance



Wednesdays
5.15-6.15 pm



Prendergast School
SE4 1LE



6-16



First Session free

£5 thereafter

Got a
question?



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EYFS Careers Week



Art with Roger

Roger our Art Instructor joined us to make art for a big school project. We all really enjoyed this and we listened to Roger's instructions well.



People Who Help Us

We learnt all about People Who Help Us and participated in a range of themed activities including: mark-making, writing, role-play, road safety game and making our own service people hats.



Shop Role-play

We did shop role-play where we used PECS to request different items from Shaheda's shop. The toy car was a very popular item to buy!



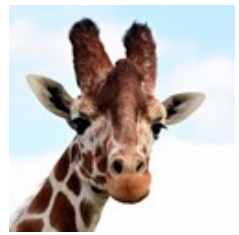
Cooking

In Cooking we made pastries. It is good for us to understand the process that goes into making food items we eat for our life skills development.



Careers and Special Interests Week News from Giraffe Class

We have been finding out about different jobs and our friends special interests. Every day had a different theme. We really enjoyed trying new things and role playing.



Monday – We visited Lion Class Café



Tuesday—Construction workers



Wednesday—The Arts



Thursday—Chefs & Bakers



Friday—Superheroes!



We are super proud of all the children this week! Here are a few of the amazing things they have done...

Elohim made a hat and then showed all his friends how to make one!



Sofia dressed as a firefighter and used her siren and axe!



Preston dressed up as a security guard, just like his dad!





Crocodile Class

Careers and Life Skills Week

Throughout the week, Crocodiles class engaged in a variety of different careers and learnt new life skills. From sweeping AA, playing vets, learning road safety and being firefighters, we have had a very fun and busy week!



Firefighters



Vets



Road safety



Artists



Bakers and selling cakes at the cake stall



Posting letters and delivering post



Penguins Careers Week

Penguin Class have enjoyed Careers week and learning about different careers. Including- being Chefs, Builder's, Medical Staff, Shop Keepers and Artists.

We listened to musicians who played music to us and let us explore with their instruments.



We enjoyed visiting Lion Class Café.

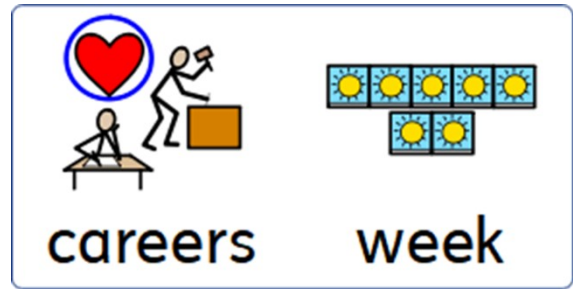


Penguin class iced biscuits to sell at the Drumbeat Bake Sale. The children looked around and bought items from the sale. We had a great retail assistant selling our biscuits and we sold lots of biscuits.



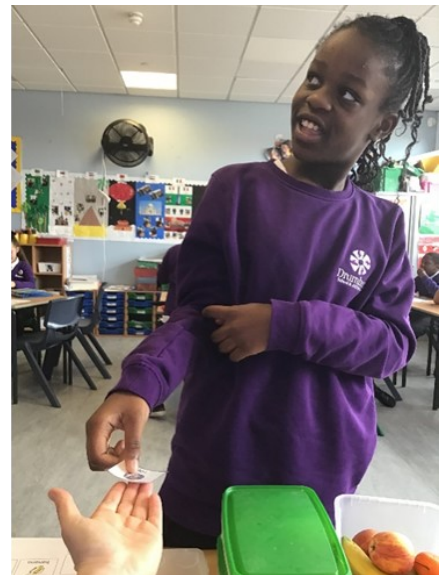
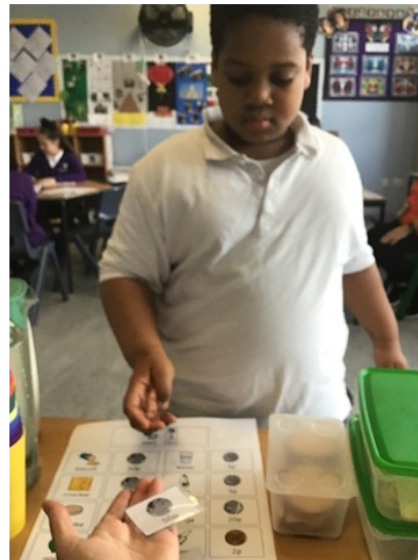
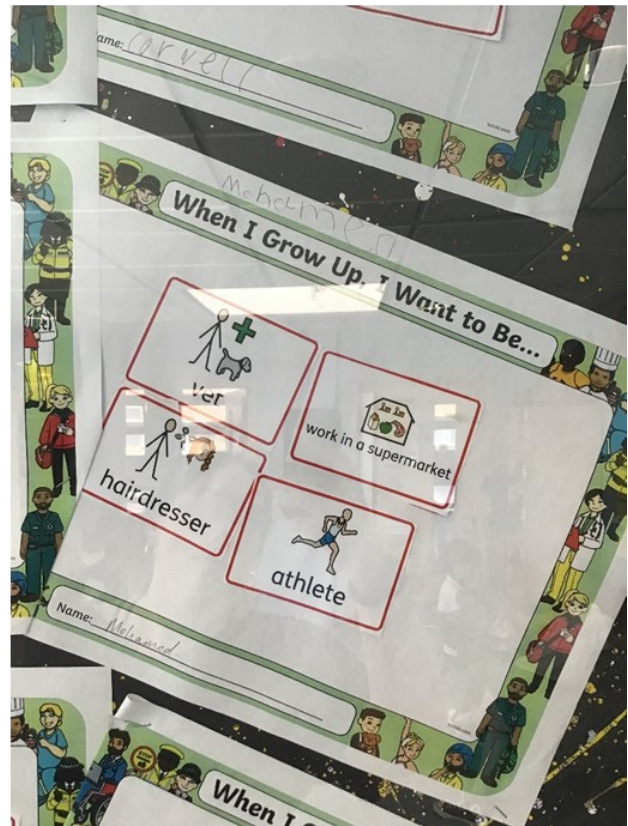
Seahorse Class

We had so much fun in Seahorse class for Careers week. We loved pretending to be Artists and taking part in Rogers Art lesson where we helped create work for a collage. We also took on the role of chefs this week and baked cookies and cakes to sell at the school bake sale.



We explored lots of different careers throughout the week and created some work to show what job we might like to do when we are older. Some of us wanted to be vets, athletes and hair dressers. We also learnt about earning and spending money this week. When we completed work or tasks we were paid and we then used this money in our class café to buy our snack.

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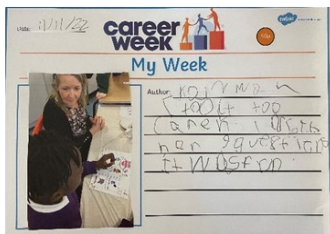
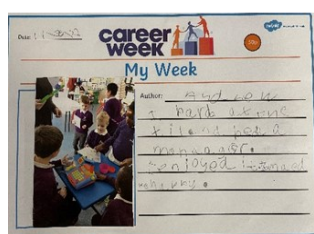
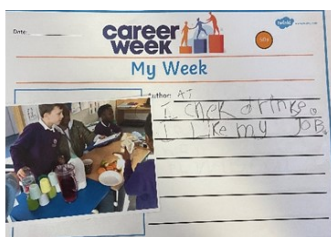
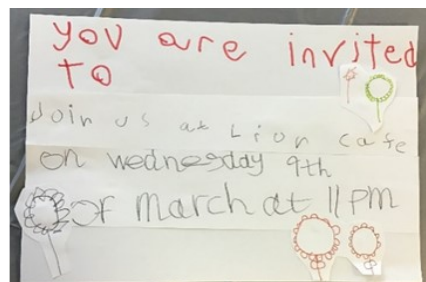


Career Week in Lion Class



Lion Class set up and ran a café in our classroom.

We first learned about hygiene and how to disinfect the tables, wash up properly and set up the room with table cloths, signs and a section for the chefs to prepare orders. We then learned how to make tea, coffee and hot chocolate, we designed a drinks and food menus and practiced being waiters – taking orders, checking in with our customers and giving receipts. Everyone chose their job role from waiters, check outs, cleaners, chefs and a manager depending on what they thought they were best at. Before we knew it our café was full booked! We also held a special coffee morning and invited some of the people who work around the school and interviewed them about their jobs. There were some extra special visitors that day, a couple of old Drumbeat pupils who talked to us about their life after Drumbeat now they are all grown up.



At the end of our busy week we even found time to learn about what a news reporter does and we wrote news articles about what we had done that week. We learned a lot of new skills, gained more independence, learned to communicate with different people - including those who use iPads or PECS to communicate and some of us discovered jobs we think we would like to do in the future!



Flamingo Class

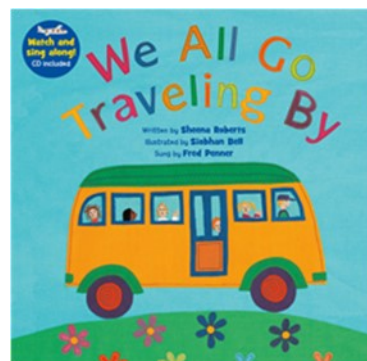
Our topic this term has been 'Transport & Journeys' and we have enjoyed taking our learning outside of the classroom to visit different modes of transport in our local community. This included a walk to the local train bridge, a visit to the Cutty Sark, a trip to Biggin Hill airport and a morning spent at Bromley bus garage where we got to sit in the driver's seat and even experienced going through the giant bus wash!



We then used colourful semantics to create sentences based on our experiences.

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Literacy



Our topic book this term has been 'We all go Travelling by' and we have really enjoyed listening to and sequencing the story, creating lots of lovely art work inspired by the book and exploring small world activities related to the different modes of transport within the story.

Maths



In maths, we have been learning all about repeated patterns and 2D shapes. We have also continued to make fantastic progress in our number work this term and are counting, ordering and sequencing numbers with greater independence.



We really enjoyed our trampolining and swimming lessons at the local leisure centre this term and are looking forward to going horse-riding next half term.



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Flamingo Class Careers Week

Wow! What a busy but fantastic week we have had in Flamingo Class celebrating National Career's Week. Through role play, the children have explored a range of different jobs such as Doctors, Dentists, Police Officers, Fire fighters, Barbers, Builders, Shopkeepers, Bakers, Cleaners, Artists and Musicians!

We were also lucky enough to have a session with Live Music Now, a visit to Lion Class' Café, an art class with Roger and our very own stall at the Drumbeat Bake Sale where our banana and chocolate chip cookies were a sell out.

All children engaged so well with the activities presented to them throughout the week and it was a pleasure to see them develop specialised interests – we definitely have a budding barber and dentist within Flamingo class.

I am SO proud of all of the children for their hard work and engagement this week and the progress made was exceptional. Here is a selection of photos to show you what we got up to ...

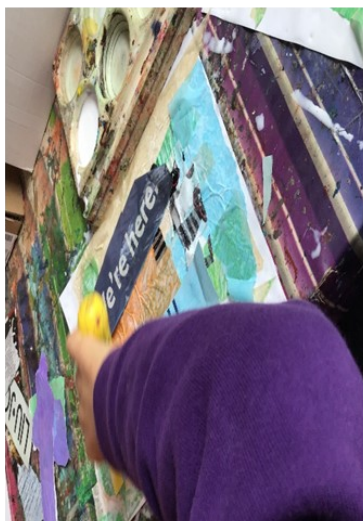


Leopard's Career Week

Leopard class participated in a range of exciting activities during careers week. They had the most amazing week, experiencing a range of career opportunities in the field of cooking, hair dressing, dress making, medicine and acting! All the children behaved impeccably and participated in every activity with curiosity and enthusiasm. Every child had fun, learnt new vocabulary, gained skills of independence and worked as a team to experience being a 'hairdresser', 'tailor', 'doctor', 'actor', 'builder' 'firefighter', 'musicians' and made choices about what they might like to do when they grow up. The children enjoyed 'visiting' a cake stalls and spending money buying a range of cakes from the cake sale. All in all, the children in leopard class have learnt a lot of skills and have thoroughly enjoyed the Careers Week.



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Turtles Class

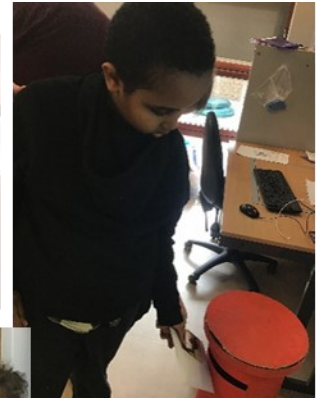


Careers and Life Skills Week

This week we have been exploring lots of different careers and we have been working on new life skills! Turtles class have enjoyed Careers Week, and we have been particularly engaged in a washing hair AA, being artists, making firemen hats and putting out fires, posting letters and being postmen and listening to musicians! We have enjoyed this week and we've been very busy!



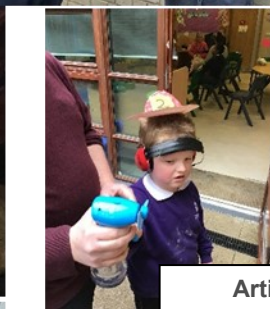
Musicians



Postmen



Firemen



Artists



Hairdressers and washing hair



Careers and special interests week in ...

Panda class



Panda class have been involved in some exciting activities this week. They have been involved in the Lions class Café, The Live Music session, A school bake sale, Rogers special art class and so much more. The children especially enjoyed being able to develop their communication, independence and imaginations during a variety of different role play sessions we have been able to offer them throughout the week.



Panda class enjoyed choosing their careers/special interests and creating pieces of work to reflect this. As a team we feel the children chose careers which reflect their personalities.

They showed outstanding independence and focus when they were chefs in our Panda class kitchen making snacks for each other. Well done! It has been a great week and we are so proud of all of the children's hard work and focus throughout a busy week.



Careers Week in Tiger Class



Tiger class has had a busy week taking part in careers week. They did lots of activities in class exploring different job roles. The children became Bakers baking bread and cakes for the cake sale. They all enjoyed Roger's art activity where they used different types of paper to make a collage. Some of them joined Crocodile class and learnt about road safety. On Friday some of the children and staff dressed up. Friday afternoon Tiger class was so tired they all enjoyed a relaxation session. We all had a lovely time.



Zebra Class

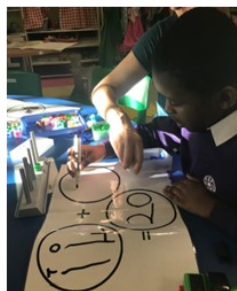
This Spring Term Zebras have been super busy and have really enjoyed participating in new learning experiences; We took part in this year's Careers Week and enjoyed dressing up as doctors, nurses, firefighters, police officers, cooks and many more (See Careers Week Newsletter). We got to attend Downham Leisure Centre for our swimming lessons, we had so much fun learning a new skill and have become a lot more confident in the water.

In English we read the story 'We All Go Travelling By' linked to our terms topic 'Transport' and we were able to retell the story using props. We have learnt about different types of transport and their uses, including transport used by emergency services (People who help us). We have all worked really hard in our phonics sessions this term and have seen a huge improvement in our reading, blending and writing. Some of us have been working on constructing sentences, ensuring we use finger spaces, capital letters and full stops. A few of us have participated in identifying rhyming words and enjoyed playing rhyming bingo.

In Maths we have explored heavy and light objects and could identify which were heaviest/lightest using scales. In Using and Applying we sorted groups of objects with contextual clues, such as, cars on the road, planes in the sky, boats in the sea and trains on the tracks. In number we continued working on 1 more/1 less, addition and subtraction to 10 and a few of us have been working on place value, partitioning and addition problems to 20.

Hope you all have a great Easter break! Love Zebra Class

Maths



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English



Swimming



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Fun in Class



Zebra Class – Careers Week

Zebra Class really enjoyed taking part in Careers Week. We engaged in a range of role playing activities where we played the game 'What work does she/he do? Acting out; Firefighters, Police officers, Vets, Teachers, Doctors and Nurses and Builders. At the start of the week Remus the dog came to visit us, we petted him and gave him food and water, and pretended to be his Vet by taking his temperature. We became Cooks for the day and made biscuits and cakes for the school bake sale. We also enjoyed attending 'Zebra Classes' Beauty Salon, we painted our friends nails, brushed and cut hair and enjoyed a foot spa and massage, and then went off for a swim. We became Musicians, Dancers and Singers for the day and had so much fun performing in front of our peers. We have learnt a selection of new life skills and we are really looking forward to Careers Week next year.



People who help us?



Zebra Classes' Beauty Salon

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Artists, Musician and Dancers



Cooking for Bake Sale



Careers Week In Lancelot Class

Lancelot class participated in a range of exciting activities designed to give students an insight into different careers and help them to better understand and prepare for a future of work. We talked about people who help us in the community, and discussed the importance of their different roles. Other activities involved playing topic related group games, learning relevant vocabulary related to their dream jobs, writing a CV and job application, and practical activities such as cleaning our local park, selling cakes at the cake sale and helping out with different jobs in the classroom. Our former student Raphael visited us and inspired us all with his amazing presentation about all the wonderful things he has been doing since leaving Drumbeat school. Everyone in Lancelot class enjoyed the careers week and had lots of fun!!



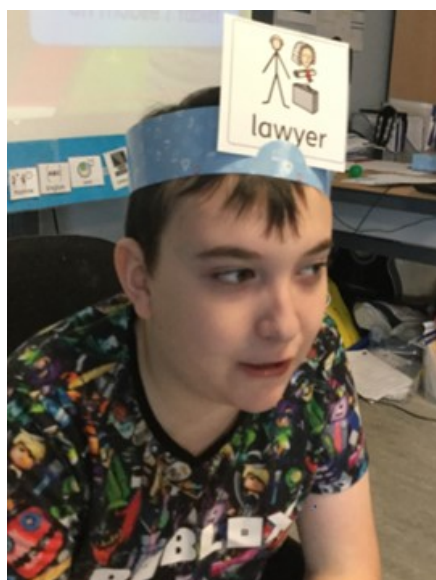
Learning topic words



Selling cakes



Looking after our environment



Who am I? game



People who help us activity

Careers and special interests week in Merlin class

We had a very exciting week in Merlin class, engaging with lots of new experiences. Remus the therapy dog visited to aid our emotional regulation, we enjoyed trampolining at Downham leisure centre for the first time and we worked on our independence skills on a trip to Beckenham Place Park.



We worked on our communication skills and gave an opinion of a new experience and had fun baking cakes to sell at the school bake sale.





Careers Week: Drama



As part of careers week, every class in key stage 3 took part in Drama Club. Both Camelot and Merlin took part in a sensory activity with a "Gameshow" format called "What's in the Tray?" This game provided pupils with the opportunity to independently decide on what they would experience and communicate their preferences. Pupils were encouraged to join in with sound effects and emotional reactions - working together as a team to respond to one another appropriately and for dramatic affect. Lots of fun (and mess) was had, and we were so impressed with how everyone got stuck in!



Excalibur, Galahad and Lancelot class took part in a role-play based Drama session which consisted of 2 activities. Firstly, pupils acted out doing different jobs, deciding for themselves whether or not they wished to do this alone, with an adult or with a peer. These jobs covered a wide range from hairdresser, police officer, builder and waiter.



The second activity was a "role-play challenge" game. Pupils selected (without looking) a job followed by a scenario, and had to act it out accordingly. For example, a "Gardener" "dealing with a difficult customer", and a "Teacher" who is "running late for work". The pupils took on the challenge with enthusiasm and some very interesting and entertaining scenes were created.

Well done Key Stage 3!

OUR CAREERS WEEK GALAHAD CLASS

Galahad students had an exciting week! We took part in a range of practical activities, completed in-house work experience, created a small business and reflected on our achievements.



PRACTICAL WORK IN A WAREHOUSE

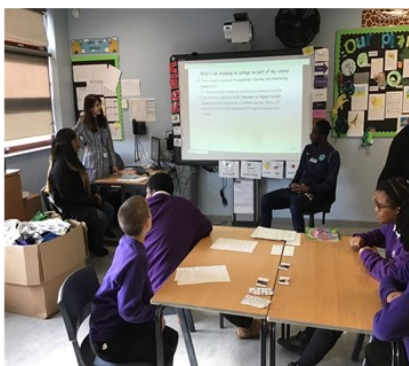
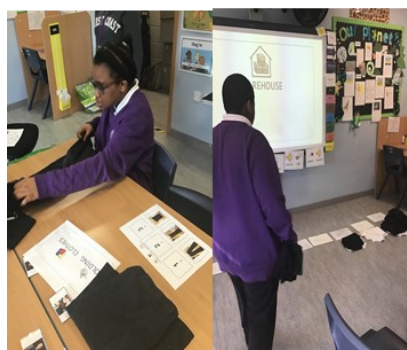
Students in Galahad class completed a range of hands-on activities related to working in a warehouse such as sorting items into categories, learning how to fold clothes, storing items and working collaboratively.

A special guest: Raphael, an Ex Drumbeat student

We had a special visit: Raphael. He delivered a presentation about his life after Drumbeat. He shared his achievements in independent living, friendships and relationships, and work experience. After that, Galahad and other students asked him interesting questions such as: How do you get to college? What do you like the most: Drumbeat or College? Do you have friends? What's your favourite game?

Shall all of us be musicians?

Galahad students had the opportunity to assist a classical music duo. They practiced listening skills, stimulated their language skills through songs and turn taking, and most importantly, had a wonderful time listening to live music.



PICKING UP LITTER IN THE COMMUNITY.

Galahad class gained work experience while making a positive contribution to the community. While outside, we practiced together danger awareness, crossing the road safely, walking out and about in the community, picking litter up and disposing it



Our small business: Galapizza

Galahad students created a small business during the careers week: Galapizza. First, they proposed a number of names for the pizzeria and then we voted the best one. Galapizza was the winner! After that, all students created different names for the pizzas and chose the ingredients they wanted for them. Our bestselling pizzas were: Rosapizza, The big slice, Jamaican pizza, Leepizza, Ethan healthy pizza, TT pizza and Italapizza. Then, we practiced greetings, turn taking, handling and using money, serving drinks and food to others and washing up in the classroom to get ready for our selling day. Finally, we baked our pizzas and sold them to both parents and students, Galapizza sold almost our succulent pizzas and we were profitable!



REFLECTION ON OUR CAREERS WEEK WITH THE SCHOOL GOVERNORS

At the end of our careers week, all students in Galahad reflected on the week and what they would like to do next. Some of the students also shared their experiences with Madeleine, the Chair of Governors.

Aut. 12.3.2022 Drumbeat

Careers week feedback

What have you enjoyed most about this week?

I liked the litter picking because it was interesting and we had my friend (Mia) with me.

What new experiences have you had?

my new experience is selling the pizza.

What would you like to do next time?

next time I want to sell the drinks.

What would you like to do after you leave Drumbeat school?

When I leave Drumbeat I want to go to college.

Ethan

Careers week feedback

What have you enjoyed most about this week?

I liked making pizza. I like picking litter up.

What new experiences have you had?

my favourite activity is going to the trampoline. it was fun!

What would you like to do next time?

Next time I want to sell books.

What would you like to do after you leave Drumbeat school?

When I leave Drumbeat I want to go to college.

Limited Edition: 7th – 11th March 2022

Excalibur Newspaper

Our Career's Week



Class Business Experience



Horse Riding Experience



Bake Sale



Litter Picking in the Park



Remus - the Therapy Dog

Students in Excalibur class throughout this week participated in a range of activities that included:

- Litter picking at Beckenham Place Park.
- A 'Q&A' session with some of our past students.
- Sessions with Remus - a therapy dog.
- Bake Sale – to raise money for charitable causes.
- Class Business Enterprises

All were designed to give students insight into a 'World of work.'

We created our own shopping environment with Word bank, to teach our students the real value of money

and how to approach shopping confidently in a safe classroom before venturing out into the larger community.

We also spent an enjoyable afternoon at the Southborough Lanes Stables in Beckenham. Though initially staff were a bit apprehensive about how the students would relate to the horses. It came as a great surprise when the students were all calm and relaxed around the horses – (mounting and dismounting the horses)

Wembley Class Careers Week

National Careers Week was an absolute blast here at Drumbeat. All of the students in Wembley class took part in various activities which would help them on their path finding the right career after their time at Drumbeat.

Learning about becoming an Author



Students had an amazing guest speaker come to visit.

Dr Emily is a scientist and author of science books for children. She was also diagnosed with autism and was able to speak about how this affected her path as an author. The students learn about microscopic particle, such as bacteria and germs and then had a chance to buy a book and even get a signed copy!

Visit from the Community

The students had an amazing time Hearing from local community Members, Steadman and Sheela.

They spoke to the students About what their jobs are like,

Working in the community as a Lollipop lady and a street cleaner. Both the guests were great and shared many words of wisdom.



Wembley Photography Gallery

Students practiced what it would be like working as a digital photographer in a studio. Here is some of their work.



Olympic Class Careers Week Spring 2022

Olympic Class have had a busy week learning about different careers.

Dr Emily visited the school and gave a talk about becoming an author and shared some fun facts from her books. Some students ordered books and had them signed by the author.



Book order			
How many?	Book	Paperback or Hardback	Price
		Hardback	£8.99
		Paperback	£5.63
		Paperback	£5.94
		Paperback	£6.32
	Both books	2 Paperbacks	£12

The school met our local street sweeper and lollipop person and some students had a go holding the stop sign.



Olympic Class took and edited photos:

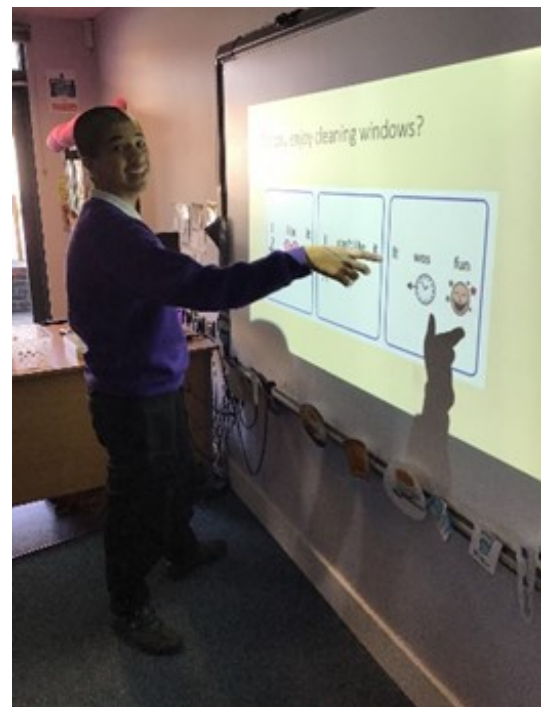


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They all had some work experience in our school café:

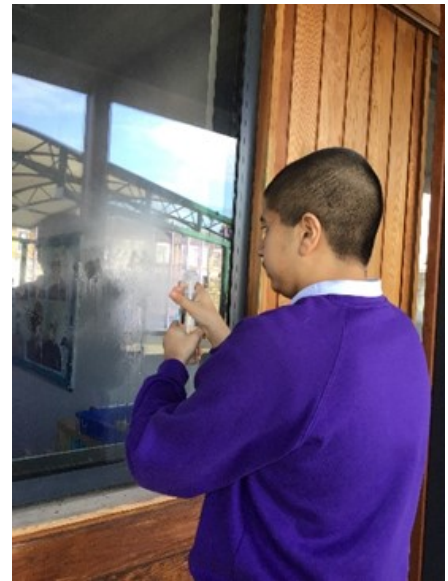


Some students enjoyed a session of Taekwondo:



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Olympic Class has a go at cleaning windows and discussed whether they enjoyed it:



They all completed the craft challenge and had a great week.



Shard Class Careers Week

National Careers Week was a busy time for Shard class as we participated in lots of different activities. We heard from lots of visiting speakers from the Police, Prison Service, NHS Nurse, Scientist/ Author, Theatre Worker and Community roles such as Road Sweepers and School crossing Patrol. All of the students prepared questions in advance to ask the visitors. The session with the Police Officers discussed how to keep yourself safe online. The students then went on to make their own guide to using Social Media safely. They used Publisher or Power-Point to make these guides, which was also one of their ASDAN challenges. Students enjoyed the practical activities of making hot chocolate and cappuccinos. We also got to use our gardening skills in the school garden. The programme of events and activities gave the class a greater understanding of the various careers available to them.



Clipper Class Careers Week

Our students had a very busy but thoroughly enjoyable Careers Week, exploring the world of employment and enterprise in a variety of settings across the Brockley Campus.

Pupils enjoyed a range of talks given by various professionals representing a wide range of vocational backgrounds: from a local street-sweeper and lollipop lady, through paediatric nurse and police officers, to an accomplished writer. Some of our students have shown remarkable confidence interacting with our visitors and asking relevant questions related to their profession.

Our pupils have also taken in a range of enterprise and employment-related activities, trying their hand at various jobs in a work-like environment. For a few hours, we've become baristas, gardeners, artists, and photographers, learning new skills and working with less-familiar members of school staff.

Overall, Careers Week was a fantastic opportunity to broaden our students' horizons and expand their understanding of the world of work and employability.



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Meridian Class Careers Week

For careers week Meridian class had visits from a lot of people working in a variety of jobs, such as the police and nursing. During these sessions, we enjoyed hearing about what the police do and looking at all their equipment, such as police helmets and the police cars. We also enjoyed listening to what nurses do and practiced bandaging up each other!

We also had a lot of fun doing the challenges set around the school, which involved helping out at the café, helping in the garden, doing photography and crafts.



Life Beyond Drumbeat

Preparing students for further education and their future careers.

Students from Shard class and Tower class have been attending Lewisham College, to experience college life and consider their options for the future. They have been training and working in the Hospitality Department, both in the kitchen and the SE4 café. They have trained in all aspects Food Hygiene and Health and Safety.

In the kitchen they have been developing skills, such as preparing cheese salad, egg mayonnaise and tuna fillings to make sandwiches, and making Lemon Drizzle cake and Bread Pudding, all for sale in the college canteens.

In the SE4 cafe they have been developing skills such as learning to use the barista coffee machine and the till, as well as developing their customer service skills.

Working in the kitchen

Making Lemon Drizzle cake



Making Bread Pudding

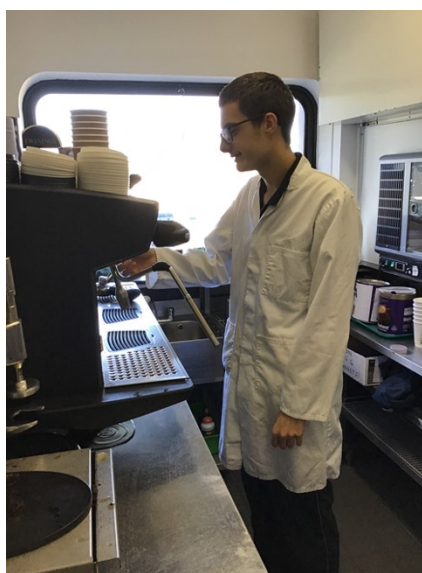


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Making sandwiches



Working in the SE4 Cafe



SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES — 2021/22

AUTUMN TERM 2021

Autumn Term 1 **Wednesday 1 September – INSET day**
Thursday 2 September – Students first day of term
Friday 1 October – INSET day
Friday 22 October - Last day of term

Half Term Holiday **Monday 25 October – Friday 29 October**

Autumn Term 2 **Monday 1 November – First day of term**
Friday 17 December – Last day of term*

Christmas Holiday **Monday 20 December – Monday 3 January**

SPRING TERM 2022

Spring Term 1 **Tuesday 4 January & Wednesday 5 January—INSET days**
Thursday 6 January — Students first day of term
Friday 11 February – Last day of term

Half Term Holiday **Monday 14 February – Friday 18 February**

Spring Term 2 **Monday 21 February – First day of term**
Friday 1 April – Last day of term*

Easter Holiday **Monday 4 April – Monday 18 April**
(Easter weekend 15-18 April)

SUMMER TERM 2022

Summer Term 1 **Tuesday 19 April – First day of term**
Thursday 26 May — Students last day of term
Friday 27 May—INSET day
(May Day Bank Holiday will be taken on 2 May)

Half Term Holiday **Monday 30 May – Monday 6 June**
(Spring Bank Holiday will be taken on 2nd June and
Platinum Jubilee will be taken on 3rd June, additional holiday
taken on 6th June).

Summer Term 2 **Tuesday 7 June – First day of term**
Friday 22 July – Last day of term*

INSET days = Staff Training days. Pupils do not attend school on these days.