

Issue 7 - End of Term 2 Special

### WELCOME

We hope you all had a wonderful Easter break. The learners have had many successes over Term 2 and together everyone has been keen to share their news with everyone at home.

This newsletter will reflect on the Enrichment Trips that took place at the end of term and the projects that learners undertook as part of their Work Related Learning lessons.

## March/April 2023

#### Monthly LEARNER Award

Group 1 – Ahmed Representing St Elizabeth's beautifully on our Enrichment trip Group 2 – Fareeha Sharing her Eid celebrations with peers Group 3 – Sam B Excellent attitude to learning

# Group 1

On Thursday 30th March, Group I went to Gravity in Stevenage. What a brilliant aerobic experience! The learners let loose and took the opportunity to burn off some of their energy. They could be seen climbing the inflatable slides enthusiastically; dancing in time to the music and bouncing across the runways. The music kept them all motivated and before long an hour had passed!

The learners built up a healthy appetite so they went upstairs into the food court to have lunch together. It was a lovely experience. Yet again the learners' behaviour was excellent and they have communicated that they would like to do this again.



# Group 2

To help prepare for Easter, Group 2 enjoyed visiting their local supermarket to buy the ingredients to make Easter nests. The smell of chocolate made everyone's mouth water! This was a lovely opportunity to learn more about Easter whilst also spending time together carrying out a cooking task. The aim was to help prepare them for their Shop, Cook and Eat sessions in Term 3.

In the afternoon, the learners went through to the hall to receive their certificates as part of their End of Term celebration. It was also very exciting to claim a surprise Easter egg that had been donated to every learner.

# Group 3

Group 3 went on a very calming canal boat trip. It was lovely to end the term with a relaxing activity that brought everyone closer together. Having these moments enhanced the learners' social skills and they worked well as a team. Unfortunately, it rained for the whole experience. This did not dampen the spirits of Group 3 as they took pictures and captured the natural beauty of the surroundings.

To ensure the learners felt all warm and cosy everyone had a hot chocolate which was delicious! The learners had a wonderful day.





#### Ashvale

The students this term have learnt a variety of new skills within this projects. They have managed to impress everyone with their insect boxes which were incredible!

We will be using these items for an enterprise day at the end of Term 3. They were of a great quality and standard.

Once they had finished this project, they each planted some sunflower and strawberry seeds. They are growing steadily in the college. The learning that took place included using tools safely; following instructions and making informed choices. Great work everyone!

#### **The Drawing Room**

The Drawing Room has been a huge success as well. The learning that took place included learning how to make objects using pottery; art and design and using transfers to create a good effect on materials.

The learners have made utensil pots which they have each taken home now. They used natural materials to create fantastic designs and patterns.

They have been learning how to plant the seeds and look after them carefully. Using transfers, each learner used London landmark images to create a fun design to place on a teapot. They look very lovely and they all have so much to be proud of.





### Handy & Candy Learning Council

Over the course of term 2, the learners have made brilliant progress in the shop. It looks incredibly inviting due to their commitment to keeping it clean and tidy. **Our Employee of the month is Daniella.** Your work ethic and friendly attitude to your customers is fantastic. Super work!

The learner council set everyone in College a challenge before half term. This was to design a new logo for the learner council. We have been amazed by the learners' creativity which all learners took part in to ensure they all had their say. It was impressive that the learners researched designs and then incorporated their own ideas to make theirs stand out. Some used paint, pencils and ICT as part of their design process. The winning entry will be announced in the next edition.

### **Upcoming events**

**PDBA lessons** – St George's Day, Nurses Day; International Day of Dance, Science and Mathematics day

#### Literacy Week - WB 22/5/23

Volunteer Week - Over the course of the term, every learner will have the opportunity to volunteer with an external company to help develop their work related learning skills. The learners have each made clear choices on what they would like to do. This includes rural care, shop work, and working in a café. The learners have been allocated a group and they will volunteer at a setting for either a morning or afternoon slot. We are excited to see that this experience will be just as exciting as Aspirations Week.