

Welcome to our end of year newsletter. This edition is full of information which will keep you up to date with changes within school and events that have taken place throughout this term. Each class has collated their best bits of the term to share with you. It has been great to see some of the exciting activities our class groups have engaged in! We are also pleased that a number of groups have been out and about in either the local community or further afield. Community engagement is an important part of our schools wider curriculum opportunities and such visits were greatly affected by the covid-19 pandemic. As life continues to return to normal we are pleased to see young people experiencing new opportunities and building resilience so they can thrive in their adult life.

As we finish this academic year, we say goodbye to our current identity as two separate schools and welcome new opportunities as we unite to become Tulip Academy Spalding. This is an exciting time for our school where collectively we can work together to ensure all young people with SEND, in the local area, receive the best possible learning experiences. As two schools we have been working hard to prepare for September. Below is key information in relation to operational changes for the new year.

Our contact number will be 01775 725566.

Once dialled you will be put through to a switch board to connect you to the appropriate campus or staff member.

Our website will be <u>www.tulip-cit.co.uk</u>

We are currently working on our new website and this will be finished during the summer holidays. We will update you once this is launched.

Our new uniform can be ordered through Nationwide School Uniforms <u>https://www.nationwideschooluniforms.co.uk/school-uniform/primary-school/tulip-academy-</u> spalding.html

Thank you to all staff members and pupils for an amazing year! We wish each and every staff member, pupil, parent, carer and friend of our school a lovely summer. Enjoy the holidays, have fun and keep safe. We look forward to welcoming you back in the new year.

> Matthew Bloodworth-Flatt Claire Moore Will Scott

### **Good luck for the future!**

At the end of this academic year we have a small number of staff leaving us for pastures new! Emma Bowman – Teaching Assistant





Emma has been a teaching assistant at our Waterside Campus for 10 years. During her time at the school Emma has supported Year 7 and Secondary Lower pupils during their transition phase to the school. Emma has continuously been caring, supportive and nurturing to all our pupils ensuring they receive the best possible support to thrive in school. Although Emma is leaving her full time position with the school I am pleased she will be remaining on our books as a member of bank staff. All the best! Debbie Brown – Teaching Assistant

Debbie has worked at our Springview Campus for 14 years. Debbie has worked with pupils throughout the school always putting pupils needs first so they can achieve their best. Debbie is a high experienced and valued member of staffing team who will be missed greatly. Debbie will be retiring at the end of this year and we wish her all the best for the future.

#### Kirsten Cliff – Apprentice Teaching Assistant



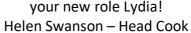
Kirsten has worked at our Springview Campus for 2 years as she completes a Teaching and Learning Apprenticeship. Kirsten has worked in Mangos and Apples class showing commitment, care and kindness towards pupils. At the end of this year Kirsten will be relocating and has a teaching assistant position waiting for her in September. Good luck.

#### Rebecca Farrar – Teacher

Rebecca has taught at our Waterside Campus for 2 years. In that time Rebeca has supported out secondary lower pupils. Rebecca is an excellent teacher who ensures her pupils experience fun and engaging lessons. Rebecca is leaving us for only a short period of time as she will be taking a one year sabbatical to teach in Australia. We look forward to keeping in touch next year!

#### Lydia Garbutt – Apprentice Administrator

Lydia has worked at our Waterside Campus for 2 years as she completes a Business Administration Apprenticeship. Lydia has grown immensely whilst working with us becoming a confident administrator. Lydia is a kind, thoughtful and friendly member of staff who has built excellent relationships with staff, pupils and parents. Lydia leaves us to take up an administration position at Spalding Academy. Best of luck in





Helen is a culinary genius who has worked for our schools since 2018. Whilst working for our schools Helen has revitalised our school dinner menu providing our pupils with opportunities to try exciting new foods. Helen has always been committed to putting our pupils needs first, has supported a successful Horticulture club and has welcomed young people into her kitchen for work experience. Helen leaves us to take on a lecturing role at Peterborough Regional College. All the best for the future Helen! Malcolm Wilson – Teacher



Malcolm joined our Waterside Campus in 2018. Malcolm first completed a teaching placement at our school and loved it that much he has travelled from the Norfolk coast each day to be with us. Malcolm is a hardworking dedicated teacher who always goes the extra mile to support our school. Like Emma, Malcolm will be retiring from his full time position but will remain on our books as a member of bank staff. Enjoy your summer by the beach and I am sure we will see you in the new year!





We have been busy preparing for the new academic year when our two schools join together to become Tulip Academy Spalding. For the new school we will have a new leadership team. The newest members of our leadership team will support other middle leaders within school to ensure curriculum provisional, within all learning pathways, continues to be of the highest quality and remains pupils focused. The leadership team in full is outlined below.



Matthew Bloodworth-Flatt Headteacher

Claire Moore Senior Deputy Headteacher





Will Scott Deputy Headteacher

Toni Wand Lead Teacher Semi-Formal Pathway Springview Campus

Charlie Leuty Lead Teacher Pre-Formal Pathway Springview Campus





Kathryn Greene Lead Teacher Formal Pathway Waterside Campus





Catherine Thirsk Lead Teacher Formal Pathway Waterside Campus



At Tulip Academy Spalding, we are fully committed to inclusion and continue to develop innovative and effective systems of support that are underpinned by a strong inclusive ethos. This ethos respects and values individual difference; capitalises and builds on strengths; celebrates success and achievement; recognises, understands and responds supportively to individual needs and limitations; continually reviews and revises practice in order to ensure the highest possible standard of provision.

Our Inclusion Team brings together a wealth of experience and specialist training to support the needs of children at Tulip Academy Spalding. Team members work together with pupils, parents, carers and external professionals to overcome barriers to learning thereby maximising pupils opportunities for success.



Amanda Barber Waterside Campus



Jackie Walsh Waterside Campus



Nicky Jones Springview Campus



Rowan Woodward Waterside Campus

### **Staffing Changes September 2022**



Olivia Casey Cover Supervisor Olivia has worked at our Springview and Waterside Campus'. As of September Olivia will be Waterside Campus' Cover Supervisor.





Matia Brackenbury Teaching Assistant Matia has recently worked at our Springview Campus whilst completing a teaching assistant apprenticeship. Next year Matia will move to our Waterside Campus.

Natalie Flatters Instructor Natalie has been an Inclusion Mentor supporting children in care to achieve their best. From September Natalie will be an Instructor at out Waterside Campus.





Anna Wilson Higher Level Teaching Assistant Anna has worked at our Springview Campus as a teaching assistant. From September she will work alongside Tara Radeloff teaching within Pears class.

Hayley Wing Instructor Hayley has worked in teaching assistant and HLTA roles at our Waterside Campus. As of September Hayley will be an instructor and class lead for Rowan class.

Abbie Winspear Higher Level Teaching Assistant Abbie has worked at our Springview Campus as a teaching assistant. From September she will work alongside Kelly Cooper teaching within Pineapples class



Brooke Lindsay Instructor Brooke has previously worked at our Waterside Campus as a teaching assistant. From September Brooke will be an Instructor teaching pupils within out Forest School.

Best of luck to all staff members starting new roles in September.



### **Fundraising and Events**



At the end of last term both schools came together and participated in a Fun Run to raise funds for playground and/or outdoor equipment. The event was a huge success and all pupils and staff gave it their all. I am pleased to inform you that pupils collectively raised **£1767.73**. Well done!!

Our postponed Tulip Academy Spalding Summer Event will now take place on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September. Parents and carers are welcomed to come and join us between 11am and 2pm.





FOGS Summer Fayre - A huge thank you to everyone who donated, attended and helped out at The Garth School Summer Fayre. In total, we raised **£614.80!** This is an incredible amount for just two hours, and it's all down to your generosity. I know I speak for all of FOGS when I say that we all enjoyed the event, and look forward to the next one.

Our Springview Campus has been awarded **£1,400** from Music for All! The donation will be used to install outdoor instruments and chimes similar to those seen beside.



The Priory School was shortlisted for SEND School of the year at the 2022 Lincolnshire Education Excellence Awards. We may not have won but we are incredibly proud and honoured to have been a finalist.



# **Rowan Class**

#### Mrs Wing and Mr Mason





#### British Sign Language

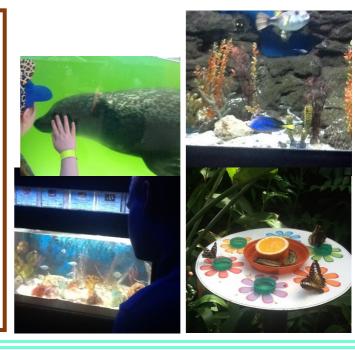
Rowan Class have had the experience of using sign language this term, showing great interest and enthusiasm when learning the new skill of finger spelling and then having a simple conversation with peers, greeting each other with confidence.

#### <u>Cookery</u>

This Term our focus has been Cooking with eggs. The pupils have been working hard with increasing independence, they have cooked a variety of dishes and experienced a tasting session a particular favourite was French Toast. The class made some fantastic scones, taste tested by Mr. Scott himself to pass Quality Control!



After completing some super literacy topic work researching Sea Creatures, Rowan have ventured out to Natureland to experience a variety of creatures for real. What a great day out! The class were able to see first-hand the rescue and rehabilitation work carried out at the centre. Pupils showed a keen interest asking lots of questions making this a memorable day out.



## <u>Miss Farrar – Willow Class</u>

This year has been a fun filled packed year, where we have worked hard and been determined to succeed. This year I have thoroughly enjoyed teaching secondary lower science. We have experimented, observed, and recorded our findings in the science room week on week. Our greatest achievement in science, was when we used the Bunsen burners for the first time. We had to follow protocols to ensure that we were safe and secure, as well as ensuring that we followed instructions to test for hydrogen being released. Throughout this year in science, we have also had the opportunity to make slime and seen physical and chemical changes in household products.





The Children have persevered and worked hard in Humanities this year, they have enjoyed investigation and researching new topics in History, Geography and RE. My favourite topic was World War 2. Children were very knowledgeable and eager to share their stories. During this topic we were able to build on our knowledge of rations to cook on stoves outside to produce our own version of 'Trench Stew'. Many children chose to take the recipe home.

My most memorable trip this year was secondary lower day trip to Wicksteed park. It was a wonderful day filled with excitement and wet rides on the log flumes. It was lovely to see all children daring themselves to go out of their comfort zone to try new rides and interact with others. I also enjoyed having a picnic on the grass for lunch and finishing the day with an ice-cream. The behaviour and positive attitudes from all who took part made the trip such a success!



## DRAMA OPTIONS GROUP

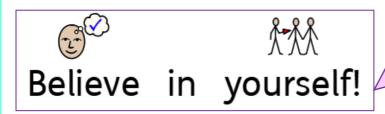
This year has been a fun filled packed year, where we have worked hard and been determined to succeed. Students have been working hard to develop their knowledge towards AQA Unit Award Scheme topics: working as a team in drama, performance skills and musical theatre. Students have been challenged to move out of their comfort zone during lessons and have challenged themselves using resilience to take risks in the performances they create. Students have developed their teamwork, problem solving and spoken language skills. We have had sessions full of creativity, smiles and laughter whilst students have developed essential life skills too! We have used drama games to develop trust and social skills, explored using our body and scripts and have enjoyed watching and evaluating stage musicals.



My most memorable moment of the year was our drama group trip to the theatre! It was a wonderful day as we journeyed to Nottingham Royal Theatre to see David Walliam's Billionaire Boy the musical. We thoroughly enjoyed the show...and the ice cream in the interval and by the end of it we were all singing along with the songs!

It was lovely to see all children go out of their comfort zone to interact with others from outside the school. Some students enjoyed a McDonald's lunch and had to order their lunch by speaking with McDonald's staff...while some students thanked and interacted with staff at the theatre.

The behaviour and positive attitudes from all who took part made the trip such a success! Students who came on the trip also achieved the objectives needed to obtain their last AQA unit of the year: Visiting the Theatre! Well done!







Mrs Amott and Mrs Deathridge just want to say to all the students in this year's drama group...believe in yourself! Some of you didn't choose drama as your first choice and were nervous to take part but you have all tried your best and have been absolutely amazing!



I can't actually believed we reached the end of another academic year, where has this year gone! For some pupils in Apples class this has been our second or maybe even our third year together but for most, its been your first year not only in Apples but first year ever at The Garth School. Its been a brilliant year, although COVID-19 has at times poked its nasty head up, on the most part we've been able to resume some sort of 'normality' which included resuming with swimming and trips out into the local community, and what perfect timing for a term centred around Travel and Transport HALLELUJAH! We've enjoyed several trips out into Spalding town to investigate different modes of transport. We've seen pedestrians traveling on foot, bicycles, cars, buses, lorries and even trains. We've all really enjoyed taking our learning outside of the classroom and into the community.



This term we've "travelled" to hot and cold countries by various modes of transport. Investigating travel on water, land and in the sky. Lots of us enjoyed the water aspects and others enjoyed investigating flying with the use of fans, paper airplanes and hot air balloons. We've encountered lots of different learning opportunities both inside and out!

As mentioned above we've also been on one or two journeys outside of school, travelling by foot.

A highlight of this term was taking part in Sports day! For most of Apples class this was their first ever sports day and its pretty chaotic to say the least, but everyone coped admirably with change of routine and this new social opportunity. It was great to see so many parents were able to attend the day but for those who were unable to, I'm just so sorry I wasn't able to get many photos!!!



I'd like to take this opportunity to send a message of thanks to my amazing Apples pupils, their supportive families and my class team who have helped make this year a success. A big good luck to Mia, Noah and Harry who are moving onto new classes in September, you will be missed each day in Apples!



Have a safe and enjoyable summer and see you all in September!



This term the students have enjoyed learning about volcanoes. As part of this work we have enjoyed making volcano models. Students worked really well demonstrating patience and perseverance whilst working in pairs to make their volcanoes. When the models were completed the final and most exciting stage was to create a volcanic eruption.

















The Oak Class have thoroughly enjoyed developing their team building skills. They have worked in teams to construct the tallest tower. This involved planning, sharing ideas, evaluating what worked well and what didn't and finally constructing their towers.











During Summer Term 2 we have found out lots of facts about Australia. This has involved learning about the geography of the country as well as the history of the first settlers in the country. Students have enjoyed learning about the Aborigines and created their own











For our end of year trip, The Oak class thoroughly enjoyed visiting Natureland in Skegness. Despite the extremely hot weather we managed to remain cool and had a super day exploring the butterflies, penguins, seals, meercats, the reptile house and the aquarium.

## Plums Class News

It may be the Summer term and nearly the end of the year but we have still been working hard and enjoying our learning. Here's just a taste of what we've been up to...





We've had a wonderful year with a great mixture of personalities in Plums class! Everyone has worked together and some meaningful relationships have been formed, it really has been a pleasure to work with your children and young adults. Three of our class are moving over to our new Waterside site and although we'll miss them we wish them well! Have a happy, safe holiday and see you in September!













### Píneapples Class News



what a glorious end to the academic year it has been and a welcome topic of 'water' has certainly been enjoyed by us all!

We have encountered an array of water themed stories this term, including Big Red Bath' and 'Billy's Bucket'. Pineapples Class have enjoyed exploring sensory and tactile resources, as well as role playing the story plots to support their understanding and engagement.



One of our highlights has to be our Educational Visit to Skegness beach. We enjoyed experiencing a variety of weathers during our time there, including cloudy, windy and sunny, supporting our learning on Seasonal Changes.

There's nothing quite like enjoying sandy sandwiches on the beach whilst huddled before a wind break.

Jokes aside, the children loved playing and building in the sand with their friends, as well as flying our kite! Mary Poppins would have been proud!





Thank you for such an amazing year Pineapples. We have had so much fun with our learning, it really has been a blast! Have a wonderful Summer all of you! Kelly, Abbie, Amanda, Jo and Nikki



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Our Educational Visit to Surfleet Park was also great fun! We loved exploring the different equipment as part of our PHSE learning on Healthy Lifestyles.



Term 6



This term in Mangos class, we have encountered and explored the topic 'Stepping back in Time.' During our Explore and Discover sessions, we encountered Dinosaurs, Pirates and Music from different time frames. We also explored sensory elements of events in the past such as 'The Great Fire of London!'



We enjoyed our social events this term; participating in Sports Day with the support of our wonderful families and carers and a class trip to Burghley where pupils engaged with the different sensory experiences!



## **Cherry Class – Miss Evans**

This term Cherry class had the opportunity to work with an external artist as part of their art lesson. A lady called Liz came and spent the day with us and helped up plan and create a piece of fused glass! We made floral designs and everyone produced an outstanding final product. Liz was super impressed with the determination creativity and politeness of the students in cherry class. The students created their tiles and had to wave goodbye to them so Liz could take them home to be fired in the kiln. The students are eagerly waiting in anticipation for their fired tiles to return! Not long now!





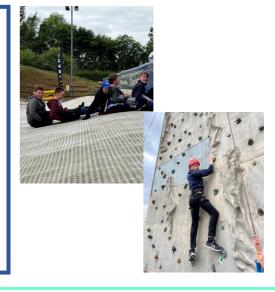




As an end of term reward, Chery class got to spend the day at Tallington Lakes! The students got to use both the Tobogganing Hill and Rock-Climbing Wall. Accessing these activities helped students build relationships and step outside of their normal comfort zones. I am incredibly proud of each and every member of Cherry class for giving this day their best and facing some of their fears – even Mr Palmer!

A highlight of Forest School this year has to have been the end of year water fight! This was a highly anticipated activity and was thoroughly enjoyed by all – luckily, I managed to stay inside and dry that day! The perfect end to a hot term so a big thank you from Cherry Class to Mr Mason for organising it for us.

Throughout the year, Cherry class have enjoyed being physical with their learning. We have been on treasure hunts, cracked codes and used the hall to give and follow directions! Over the year Cherry Class have really gelled as a class and become super friends, working together and supporting one another's learning. It has been an honour to teach Cherry Class this year and I am beyond proud of every one. I wish the year 8s all the best as they continue their journey on into Secondary Middle and I look forward to welcoming back the year 7s as our new year 8s! Have a lovely and safe summer holidays everyone!





## Birch Class News!

Birch class have worked incredibly hard maintaining, nurturing and protecting their horticulture area! We have successfully managed to grow a wide variety of vegetables including green beans, courgettes and an abundance of potatoes! We had a lot of fun digging up all of our plants but the best part was tasting all of our crop!





In craft and DT we have been creating models of robots using recycled materials! The pupils worked hard over the term to design, resource their materials and construct their robots. Birch class used various type of joining methods such as hot glue, stapling and cello tape.

Birch Class had a wonderful trip to Hunstanton beach where we played beach volleyball, football and cricket. We enjoyed traditional fish and chips and finished off the day with an ice cream!

Have a great summer! Love, Mr Wilson, Miss Lindsay, Miss Crane and Miss Pavlova



## **Mrs Freeman - Hazel Class**

For the start of Hazel's class trip, they visited the beautiful Nene Valley Park.



Hazel class finished off their school trip with a visit to Inflatanation in Peterborough. A fantastic time was had by all!

International Day: Lithuania How lucky was Hazel class to have Eimantas who brought in lots of delicious traditional Lithuania food. Appreciated by all, especially Lincoln.

Oh my goodness Mr Pateman!! I suppose we have to thank Eimantas for letting you win at least once!



Informal Class Time Team work at its best! Feels like fun but develops working together skills and communication.



Sports Day Fun!

It was blistering hot but that didn't deter any of Hazel from having a great morning.





# Mrs Cap – Beech Class

Beech Class have had a fabulous year, pupils have worked really well as a team and supported one another. Year 10 pupils attended a taster day at Boston College, which was a real success and has helped to prepare pupils for their transition into Year 11.

Throughout the year pupils have really enjoyed their options subjects and have demonstrated great

practical skills in a range of areas to include; horticulture; art; drama; PE and cookery. During forest school lessons this term the pupils of Beech have even made a bench.



Students have also particpated positively in a number of international days throughout the year. They have undertaken a variety of activities to find out about the different countries including Spanish dancing.



Pupils recently visited Natureland Seal Sanctuary in Skegness. It was a wonderful day; pupils behaviour was fantastic and the weather was great. Pupils took a real interest in the talks about the seals and penguins and then enjoyed an ice-cream. They enjoyed seeing the animals being fed. <u>Some Pupil Highlights of the Year</u> Brandon's best moment was "Making my super smoothie in English".

Jasmine said "I enjoyed writing my holiday brochure about Spain".

Josh enjoyed "writing my swimming with my piranha poem."

Kalvin said he "enjoyed everything".

Oliver commented "I enjoyed the Christmas trip to Baytree".

Kian's highlight was "hugging the POSH mascot" when they visited our school.





Thank you, Beech Class, for a great year, well done!!

We will miss those pupils who are moving onto new class groups.

We hope you all enjoy the summer holiday!! Mrs Cap, Mrs Deathridge and Miss Chambers



### Mr Precious - Maple Class



This term in Maple class we have had an excellent end to the academic year. Maple class have persevered to get their entry level maths and English tests finished, with excellent results.

As reward for raising over £200 by selling bespoke badges in their Enterprise lessons pupils were able to use the money towards a day out. Pupils chose to go to McDonalds followed by Inflatanation. The pupils conducted themselves brilliantly throughout the day and were a credit to the school.

As an end of year activity Maple class went to Tallington lakes where we took part in Kayaking and Raft Building. The pupils really displayed their team building and communication skills as they successfully managed to build a raft suitable for the entire class to be able to sit on.





**Grapes Class Newsletter** 



July 2022

To end this academic year, Grapes Class have been focusing upon the topic, 'Stepping Back in Time'. Within this we have explored learning activities linked to Dinosaurs, Cave People, as well as Toys from the more recent past to the present day.















Grapes Class have all engaged well within our Dinosaur-themed Sensory Story: Bumpus Jumpus Dinosaurumpus! The 'sludgy old swap' was fun to explore... And we all loved the jumping toys to represent Triceratops doing 'dinosaur hops'

Grapes Class participated well within Sports Day activities lots of fun was had by us all on this sunny day!











This term, Grapes had the opportunity to have an Educational Visit, alongside our friends from Mangos Class. We headed over to Burghley. The weather was pleasant and the day was busy. The pupils all showed lots of enjoyment of the day...the bus journey being a big hit with all!!



We wish everyone a safe and happy Summer break. See you in September!











# Strawberries class news



This term Strawberries class have been busy expanding their life skills as well as learning about the Olympics.

Many members of the class have accessed work experience with a few pupils starting a new placement at Morrisons to stack shelves. We have been lucky enough to access some trips to the beach, inflatanation and the park. We have also had some special trips out to The Ivy Wall and Spalding Bowl to celebrate our leaver this year.



















With the lovely weather we have been getting, Strawberries class have spent a lot of time playing sports outside having our own mini sports day!!







We hope you have a lovely summer holiday, stay safe and we will see you in September when our focus will be...

All around the world 😊



#### Miss Hebblewhite & Mrs Amott– Lime Class

We have enjoyed many class trips throughout this year including Doodles and a theatre trip to see Dick Whittington pantomime. Our most recent and my personal favourite was our end of year class trip to Hunstanton beach! It was a hot bus journey but worth it for the warm sun and cool breeze by the beach when we arrived! We enjoyed paddling in the sea, having a picnic on the beach, and spending money on an ice cream or fish and chips. Money is a topic we recently covered in Maths lessons so it was great to be able to experience working out costs and change given. I was so proud of pupils behaviour and team spirit!





Pupils have been working hard this year in their enterprise lessons making cards for occasions and then selling around school. Pupils have been able to make a profit from this across the academic year and then used this profit for a end of school year party. We had pizza and ice cream bowls. Pupils had the choice of chocolate or vanilla ice cream, berries, sauce and chocolate flakes. Ice cream was thoroughly enjoyed in the warm weather!

Sports day together was an amazing day! All pupils got involved in all the different events that included sprints, cup stacking, shotput, javelin, netball hoops, football targets and hurdles! We looked after ourselves with drinks breaks for hydration on the warm day and were super supportive of each other. Some pupils even got to the whole school sprinting finals and the rest of the class were cheering them along!!!

A great day enjoyed by all.





### School Council Visit



On the 29<sup>th</sup>June some pupils made a visit to the South Holland District Council Chambers. They had the opportunity to ask the Chairman lots of questions regarding his job and made comparisons to their own role as a school councillor. Peter was very interested in hearing about issues that are important to young people today and Mrs Flatters and Mrs Derrick were very proud of the students for their mature attitude, sensible behaviour, and level of questioning, they didn't make it easy for the Chairman 😊

### Pears Class News

This term the class explored the different seasons and weather associated with them although in this country that can vary considerably! Unpredictable!

We made weather mobiles and a tree collage depicting the four seasons.





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In Science we investigated how certain objects floated in water whilst others sank to the bottom! The class also had a lot of fun creating 'Rainbow Snakes' with bottles, water, socks, food colouring and washing up liquid!

Pears Class wishes everyone a happy and safe summer holiday.























## Mrs Perry – Ash Class

This term we have been exploring Africa in topic work. The students have explored both the country finding it on a map and exploring places and different areas. They particularly enjoyed learning about animals found on safari and animals found in the rainforest areas. Students studied the rainforest identifying what part of the rainforest was home to which animals. To show this the students made rainforest sensory boxes collecting resources from the forest school area and placed their animals either on the forest floor the trees or high up in the canopy area. PE is a popular favourite and students particularly enjoyed having a go at the hurdles!





In topic work we also explored African Tribes and their custom jewellery and masks that they wear for special ceremonies. Some of the tools needed to make them are believed to be sacred and sometimes related to a God. Students used fine motor skills and art techniques to make their individual designs.











# <u>Miss Greene</u> Sycamore Class





At this time of year, it is always full of mixed emotions. This term we said goodbye to our year 11 students as they went off to enjoy a long summer break before transitioning into their post 16 placements. Most students have been with us since year 7 and we have been on the journey with not only the students, who have all achieved so much and come so far, but also their parents and carers. Year 11 is filled with lots of challenging work, new experiences, and fun. During the last term, staff and pupils had time to reflect and reminisce over their time at The Priory School, especially their personal achievements that mean they are ready to move on to their future placements. It is also the term that we celebrate together and make some final lasting memories.

We are extremely proud of how our students overcame a difficult few years and worked particularly hard this term towards their qualifications, this determination has been rewarded, as all our year 11 students have left The Priory School successfully achieving nationally recognised qualifications, along with skills and confidence to continue their individual journeys.

After completing their hike and camping trip this term as part of their NOLA award, they also enjoyed trips to Hunstanton, High ropes, Lazer tag and Inflatanation.

This was all finished with a wonderful end of year party and barbecue.

#### Sycamore class team would like to wish you all a wonderful summer.

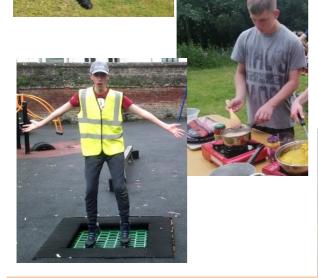




## <u> Mrs Thirsk – Elder Class</u>



Elder have had a very busy term preparing for moving on and leaving the Priory School. During this term they have successfully completed the Nola challenge which involved a hike, cooking their own dinner and camping overnight at Pecks Drove campsite. All students and staff had a great time with some students completing a black hole activity. We also enjoyed smores by the campfire at night. Everybody was very tired when we returned to school the following day after an early start! All students then completed a presentation to finish the award. Elder behaved fantastically well and persevered when they were finding things difficult.



The following week, Elder had an activity week. This included trips out to inflatanation, Hunstanton and the high ropes and laser tag at Baytree. All students enjoyed the visits and tried their best to complete the high ropes despite finding it challenging. On Thursday students prepared for their leavers party which took place on Thursday evening. Everybody looked very glamorous! There were a few tears but everybody had lots of fun!





Students spent Friday morning getting leavers books and their school shirts signed before taking part in the leavers' assembly in the afternoon. I feel very proud of Elder as they have had a fantastic year and are now ready to move on to exciting new challenges. I wish them all the very best for the future. Mrs Thirsk