

# **Oakfield School**

Welcome to issue 23 of the Oakfield School newsletter. The warmer weather is finally here, with the Summer Term in full swing. Exam season has started and it has been another busy half term with an array of things happening both in and out of school. Soon we will be saying goodbye to all our year 11's and we wish them all the best with their exams.

## Personalised Learning Curriculum (PLC)

Over the last half term the Personalised Learning programme has continued to flourish, adding several new students to the cohort and finding new places to visit. Recent activities have included geocaching (a kind of treasure hunt guided by GPS), fishing, visiting animal centres and country walks. The PLC students will once again visit Berkeley House nursing home to take part in various activities and interacting with more senior members of the community.

Y11 students have been busy undertaking fundraising activities to contribute to their leavers' trip. These have included a sponsored walk and staff car wash.







### **GCSE** results day

The GCSE results day this year is **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> August**. Year 11 students can collect their results from the main school entrance between 09.00am – 10.00am.

If you are unable to collect your results in person, then your results will be posted on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August to your home address.

Please note: under no circumstances will results be available by telephone or email.

#### **Hands On Science**

This term the year 8 pupils have been learning about plant and animal cells. The pupils made their own microscope slides using onion skin. They then used a microscope to view the cells. It was a smelly lesson, but enjoyed by all the pupils.





### **Mental Health Awareness Week.**

The focus for Mental Health Awareness Week this year was Movement, with the theme being to move your body more. With this in mind, on Tuesday 14th May, staff and pupils walked a mile. We had a great uptake of pupils, who joined in with this initiative and it was a great effort from pupils and staff.

Regular movement can boost your self-esteem and help reduce feelings of anxiety. Even just 10-15 minutes of being active can contribute to mental alertness, increased energy and positive mood.







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### Outdoor Education: Year 8

### Geocaching

One of the activities that the Year 8's have completed for Outdoor Education this half term was Geocaching. They have visited a wide variety of places around Hull and East Riding searching for different types of 'Caches'. Some were easier than others to find and on some occasions we couldn't find them at all. The ones that were found were signed to show they had been found and placed back ready for other people to find.





### **Theme Day**

In May we held our latest Theme Day, with the topic being "Culture". On Theme Days the students spend lessons accessing wider curriculum sessions on a carousel basis. Sessions this time included street dance, a Chinese banquet and jewellery making.

### **WRAP**

The second round of Wellness Recovery Action Plan (WRAP), has started with another year 7 group and WRAP will continue until the end of the summer term. This is lead by staff from the EWB team and is to help pupils plan ways to better manage difficult situations and feelings.

Both groups that have taken part have really engaged in the 10-week programme and hopefully will be able to use the WRAP strategies throughout their daily life.

### Rugby

During this half term, we have had a representative from the Hull KR inclusivity team come into school and deliver a rugby taster session to the pupils. We had a large group of students from across the school take part in this session and they all enjoyed it.



### **Thank You!**

We would like to thank all staff that have contributed towards the fundraising for this years Year 11 leavers trip. You have helped raise a massive £1200 and this will ensure that the Year 11's will get the amazing Oakfield send off that they deserve.





HAVE A WELL EARNED BREAK AND ENJOY YOUR WEEK OFF.