

GREENFIELDS ACADEMY NEWSLETTER – TERM 3

JAN/FEB 2019



A warm welcome to our new in house Art Therapist..



The Academy welcomes Rachel Hill - Play and Creative Arts Therapist.

Rachel will be working with individual students on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Play Therapy is a way of helping children to express their thoughts and deal with their emotional problems, using play and creative arts as the main communication tool, rather than relying on words.

Play Therapy is usually non-directive and provides a space in which children and young people can explore their feelings and emotions.

Rachel is trained to attune to the child's feelings and help them bring about change, particularly in relation to how they see themselves, the world and others.

LEGO THERAPY



The Academy is very excited that Lego Therapy will be introduced in Term 4 with Mrs Todd and Miss Cockcroft.

Lego Therapy is an Intervention for social development by using children's love of playing with Lego.

In the words of Maria Montessori "Play is the work of childhood" meaning that children learn best through play.

Lego Therapy helps children develop social and communication skills as they learn to communicate, work in collaboration and work towards a shared goal.

Children also develop fine motor skills, Spatial awareness, visual and analytical skills.



Funding from Vision

A big thank you from Mr Pointing and pupils to Vision for Education Lincolnshire who have funded our Academy to purchase new football kits.

CHINESE NEW YEAR - "YEAR OF THE PIG"

To celebrate Chinese New Year this year, we had a Chinese themed day. This was not only embedded throughout the curriculum, but also included a Chinese buffet and an afternoon of various activities. Amongst these included; making moon cakes, creating different arts and crafts and playing table tennis. Thank you to the pupils who helped make decorations for the dining room and for helping Mrs Gill to set up the tables for lunch.



As well as incorporating Chinese New Year into the curriculum, the academy has recently linked the following current/relevant themes into their learning; Valentine's Day, Brexit, current affairs, homelessness and disability, to name a few.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Chinese New Year is also known as the Spring Festival. Chinese people welcome Spring, planting, harvests and new beginnings.
- It is a day for praying to the gods for good planting and the harvest season.
- Chinese use red to decorate their homes and let off firecrackers because they believe it scares off a monster called "Nian".

CONGRATULATIONS to two of our Year 9 pupils who entered a cooking competition at Woodlands Academy.

The pupils made a Lasagne, with side salad and dough balls.

Great teamwork was displayed throughout and they communicated with each other well, making sure they were organised and had their own set stations. Pupils came runner up over all and also won for best presentation!

PUPILS COMMENTS

“We enjoyed a new experience and being in a different environment, we also liked the chocolate pringles that we won.

We would like to thank Mrs Todd and Mr Fahy for supporting us with our preparation and helping us practice our menu running up to the competition. Thank you to Mr Armstrong for helping us make the menu.”



Work Experience

A Year 11 pupil has been gaining work experience with our caretaker. He has been learning new skills to fix an air vent and drilling lockers secure for our primary children.

Key Stage 4 Photography

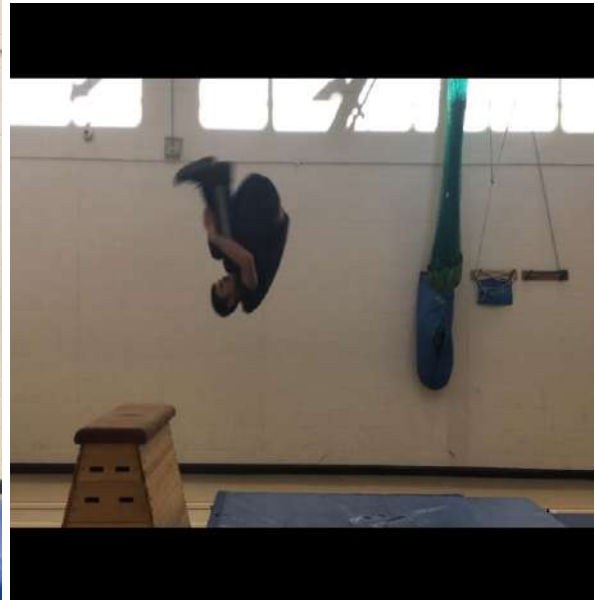
KS4 pupils have been looking at different styles of photography and putting theory into practice producing some great work! Here is some of their work from a visit to Belton House and also a Macro photograph that has been digitally manipulated using photo editing software.



SPORTING NEWS

Well done to all pupils involved in the interhouse Volleyball competition. You all did Lancaster, Spitfire and Hurricane Houses proud and tried very hard. Big well done to Lancaster for winning the competition!

Congratulations to all the pupils that took part in the football tournament at The Meres Leisure Centre recently and to those pupils perfecting their gymnastics skills in P.E lessons. Keep up the good work!



We look forward to seeing you in Term 4!

