

KISIMUL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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SWINDERBY

Students have trialled a potential new club in table cricket, a representative from Lincolnshire County Cricket came and undertook two taster sessions. This proved a successful experience and students are starting to learn some of the signs for cricket with them signing four and sixes! A small group went to see the X Factor tour at Nottingham Capital FM arena, a group went to visit The Deep at Hull and enjoyed the visual aspect of seeing the fish, sharks and ray's going through the viewing tunnel display. Their favourite was particularly the Gentoo Penguin exhibit. A small group are going into space at the national space centre in Leicester.

The preparation and planning have begun with the gardening club ensuring the garden is ready for the forthcoming year. The new vegetable we will be attempting to grow is aubergines!



ACACIA HALL

Acacia has recently had an Ofsted inspection and the inspector was very impressed with the range of activities that the young people were engaged in. She particularly liked seeing how the young people engaged with the staff team and reported on how well the young people interacted with an experienced and knowledgeable staff team. She reported the home remained an 'Outstanding'.

The children and young people have remained focused and engaged in a number of activities both on and off site. We have also been off site swimming and to the visiting circus. This was a major achievement for a number of the young people who had a great time and loved the sensory stimulation from the experience. Another achievement was for one of our young people who went with the staff team to a brownie event, she has only recently started brownies and is doing really well achieving a number of badges, she has shown commitment to this and has enjoyed her weekly sessions.



WOODSTOCK

March has been very kind to us on the weather front.

The art and craft cupboards have been in full use this month with everyone busily creating Mother's Day cards. Many of the cards included photographs. Our attention is now turning to Easter preparation. Whilst cards and decorations are being made to celebrate the spring holiday, Easter eggs have all been bought, labelled and hidden away before an eagle eyed young person spots them.

We have been out and about as well enjoying parks and beaches when the weather has permitted, and museums and exhibitions when some time indoors is the best option. One group enjoyed a trip to the Science Museums which, with its hands on exhibits, is a great choice for our young people. Others visited Brooklands Museum to see the cars and planes whilst another group took the train to London to explore the Queen Elizabeth Park. With trips to cinemas, crazy golf and bowling we certainly keep our weekends and evenings busy.

We hope the good weather continues so that we can enjoy the Woodland Walk and outdoor activities and trips off site.



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SUMMER FAYRE

The Summer Fayre will be at Acacia Hall again this year on Sunday 5 July and everyone is hoping the weather will be as fine as last year's!

There will be various activities and stalls such as inflatables, various stalls with games, glitter tattoos, face painting and the ever popular tombola and toy tombola. There will be yummy hot food from the BBQ and beverages served with cakes and biscuits. There will also be lots of ice cream, Pimms with strawberries and cream and slush puppies which can all be enjoyed while listening to our resident jazz band. Other stalls included will be the DVD and book stall, school recipe books and craft stall (items made by children and young people). We will be selling tea towels and bags with drawings from the children and young people. The raffle will have, as always exceptionally high quality prizes. The price of the raffle tickets has stayed the same over the years at just £5.00 per book or £1.00 a ticket which is a bargain considering the fantastic prizes on offer.

We hope you will be able to attend the Summer Fayre with your family and enjoy a great day out!

SUILLEAN HOUSE/ TIGH NAVEEN

At Suillean House we continue to work with the residents in finding outings and leisure activities that suit the individuals. We are hoping to make some improvements in the home concentrating on the curtains and main furnishings. This will make a huge difference to the spaces that the residents use regularly and with lots of residents input we can ensure that they decorate and furnish the home in the way that they want it.

AN CALADH

The Post-19 curriculum continues to develop and test the skills of the residents involved, working towards improving their culinary skills and life skills. The hands on aspect of the cooking experience is one that provides a variety of sensory needs to the residents involved.

TIGH BRUADAIR

Tigh Bruadair continues to become extremely positive with lots of new and exciting ideas being shared and experienced by the residents themselves. All of the residents have enjoyed making mother's day cards and gifts with their key workers and are enjoying the nicer weather.

AN DARACH

Everyone enjoyed celebrating Chinese New Year, looking at the years they were born to identify which animal year they were born in and of course cooking some Chinese food. With the sunshine putting in an appearance they have been able to get out in the garden and enjoy the weather with the residents making use of the trampoline and the space in the garden.

BREAGHA HOUSE

February brought the re-decoration of two of the lounges in the house, this ensures that Breagha house remains looking homely and in good repair. All residents have helped pick the colour scheme which was discussed in the residents meeting. Some residents have also been out shopping to help pick new furniture and ornaments which they were very excited about.

BLyTHE HOUSE

As well as working hard the residents have also been playing hard. This month they have been out to the Seal Sanctuary, Doncaster Dome, Lakeside Falconry and other local places.

TIGH GRIANAN

Residents have been on various activities this month, swimming, bowling, Guildford Spectrum, local parks, etc. Residents attend a trampoline session on Thursdays in Caterham on the Hill and are enjoying this. The staff continue to support the residents and each other really well, especially at this busy time.

CALA SONA

The lads are always busy out and about and accessing the local and wider community. Residents have been able to get out in the garden and been busy tidying up and filling up the bin to help the gardeners.

SOARSA AND SUNDACH

The residents at Yaxley are all now enjoying a full and varied curriculum of educational activities including independent living skills, food technology, community participation sessions, music therapy and rebound therapy, to name but a few. These are delivered on both a group and individual basis, depending on the needs of each resident.

As well as this people are taking part in a wide range of recreational activities such as sailing at Ferry Meadows, bowling, cinema, fishing, trips out to places of interest, meals out and accessing local amenities such as pubs, restaurants and the library in Yaxley.

All residents have quickly adapted to life in Yaxley and appear to enjoy all that the local and wider community has to offer.