



Greenvale School Newsletter

July 2019

Feel Theatre Visit

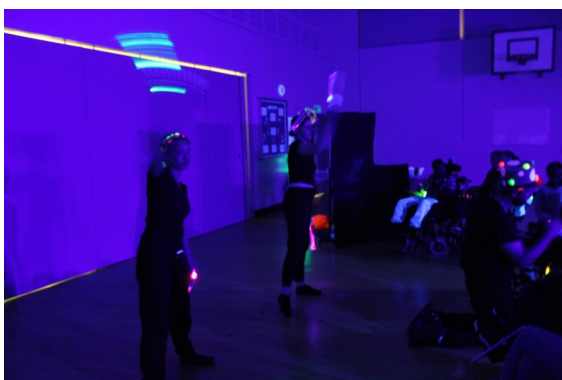
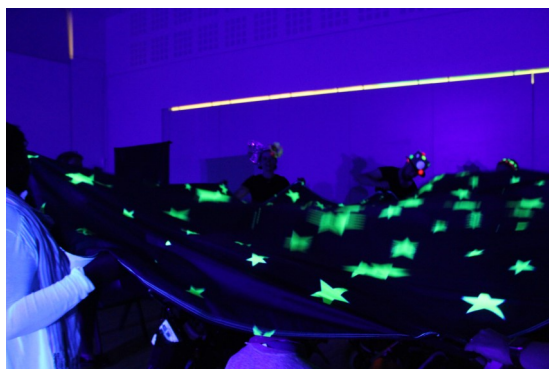
NOTABLE DATES 2019—2020

Monday 2nd September
Staff Development Day

Tuesday 3rd September
New year 7's only

Wednesday 4th September
All students return to school

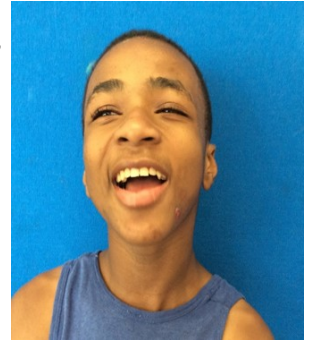
In June, a theatre company with a multisensory show came to Greenvale. We enjoyed the lights, circus tricks and being able to stargaze with the main character Neo at the end.



Jack Petchey

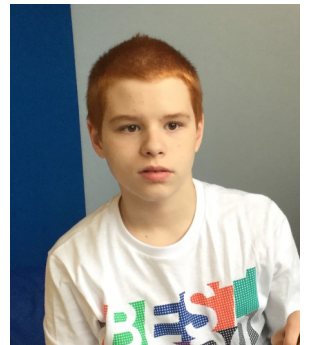
Last half term Rommai won the Jack Petchey award. Here is the nomination: -

Rommai has made great progress in relation to his ability to adjust to changes in his routine, and also his ability to self-regulate his emotions. As a result, he is better able to access the curriculum and is now even more successful in his learning. In addition to this, his communication is improving. He will sign when asking for various things and will even vocalise when asking for crackers or when he wants an activity to finish. These improvements have allowed him to become even happier in class and better able to carry out tasks independently. Well done Rommai!



This half term Alfie won the Jack Petchey award. Here is the nomination:-

Alfie has had a very calm year in Maple Class. He adapts to change well and he is able to wait for longer periods. He is communicating more effectively using the I pad. He is interacting with his peers more and taking part in class activities more enthusiastically and confidently.”
Well done Alfie!



Royal Festival Hall

Lewisham Open Orchestra performed ‘The reason I’m human’ at the Royal Festival Hall on Thurs 27th, along with singers from Bonus Pastor College, as part of the Lewisham Summer Gala. There were 23 musicians, playing a variety of instruments including Clarion, sound beam, violin, cello and keyboard. It was a fantastic experience and great to hear so many wonderful musicians perform together. ‘

Six students are participating in the community opera this year, and will be performing La belle Helene at Blackheath Halls on Weds 17th July at 7pm, and Sunday 21st July at 2.30pm with the Blackheath community orchestra and choir, and professional singers. Tickets are available from <https://www.blackheathhalls.com/whats-on/blackheath-halls-opera-2019-offenbachs-la-belle-h%C3%A9l%C3%A8ne-0> ’

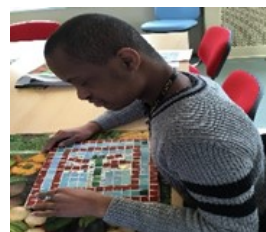


Brockley Rise

Some of our key stage 5 students have been attending an art class at Brockley rise education centre.

This term they learnt how to make mosaics, they designed their Pattern, chose the coloured tiles they wanted, stuck them in place and finished off by grouting their mosaic to complete their pieces of art.

Well done to Tolu, Jessica, Justin, Brandon, Joseph and Hawa - Fantastic mosaics!



Gardening Club

This year the students have been taking part in gardening activities every Wednesday lunchtime in the school garden. They have planted a range of flowers, fruit and vegetables and learnt how to water, weed and harvest them. They particularly enjoyed harvesting the strawberries!

Eight students have been involved and they have successfully grown onions, potatoes, rocket, strawberries and a range of colourful flowers, which they have used to explore their colours, taste and textures and observed how they grow and change through the season. Well Done everyone!



Museum of Childhood

Students in KS3 had the opportunity to attend a History workshop called 'Museum Quiet Days - Seaside' at the V&A Museum of Childhood on Thursday the 13th of June. It was an opportunity to explore various toys and gadgets from the past and present. Students also participated in a 20 minute workshop about the seaside and enjoyed a Punch and Judy show.



Contact is a charity for families with disabled children. Please see their website for help and support.

Contact are based at: Leemore Community Hub, Bonfield Road, Lewisham, SE13 5EU. Office Number: 0208 297 8056 or email lewisham.office@contact.org.uk
www.contact.org.uk



Work Experience



office

**Key Stage 5
offsite Work
Experience
June/July 2019**



Leyla worked in the office at Launcelot Primary School.









Kirk worked at the care home



Heads' message

We have had a very successful Summer term.

So many of our young people have achieved amazing results..... in accredited courses, travel training, behaviour, music, Arts and so many other achievements. As always our staff work so hard to support them and at this time of year we reflect proudly on the progress young people have made during the past year! Together we create an environment for our young people to grow in confidence, maturity and learning and we are always truly grateful for the support of parents and carers.

This year we have a large group of leavers – a very special group of young people who are all unique and amazing! We will miss them all! We wish much success and happiness. So it is a big farewell to the following young people;

Ali, Savannah, Xaviour, Leyla, Luke, Leanne, Devon, Jelena, Arinze, Elkan, Peerapat, Amran, Kirk, Kallum, Onnyechi.

We also have had an exciting time meeting our 20 new students this half term. They are coming from Watergate, Baring, Charlton Park, Drumbeat, Coopers Lane and overseas. They are all delightful and we are looking forward to them joining us in September.

Sadly, this term some staff are leaving, Jenna and Margaret are leaving us whilst Meysi and Khalehla are both going on maternity leave. We wish all of them the very best in their new ventures.

Also Victoria Sharman is returning to the LSB after having another baby. We are delighted to welcome her back.

This term so much has taken place. A Key stage 5 arts group have achieved their Arts Award and the majority of our Key Stage 5 students have achieved accredited course qualifications . We have a group of young people performing in the Blackheath opera at the Music Halls, some students performed in a Jack Petchey Regional event and our students performed in an Open Orchestra at the Royal Festival Halls. students have attended lunch time concerts. We have had a very full enrichment week with workshops, Domes, dance, music, afternoon teas and climbing walls. As always our students amaze and impress us and are a credit to us all.

However, all of this would not happen without the commitment and hard work of our fantastic staff. So at the end of such a busy year I want to thank each and every one of them for doing an amazing job and always going that extra mile.

We wish all of our leavers staff and students every success and much happiness.

Have a lovely summer!

Lynne.



Enrichment Week

Enrichment week 2019

Last week in Greenvale was especially busy as we had lots of extra workshops and visitors to show us new skills, sounds and offer us new experiences. See below for a full run-through of our busy, busy week!

Workshops were held around the school, some kindly provided by school staff who had the chance to show us their hidden talents, others were hosted by companies who came to visit for the day!

Monday

- During the art sessions, students got to design and then plant a small garden.
- A Football was held in the ball court
- PMLD students had a game of bowling, that involved also cheering on their teammates
- Music sessions were in lots of the classes and classes made up songs about a Big Machine using words and sounds.

Tuesday

- Some of our KS5 students led a workshop teaching their younger peers how to make a mask
- We had a visit from a bassoonist who told us the history of London and the animals that have lived in our city over time
- The planetarium came to visit in the hall, and we went stargazing.

Wednesday

- Wheels for wellbeing visited with their adapted bikes, and many students enjoys trying cycling in the ball court
- KS5 football match
- Jewellery making where students got to try their hand at making bracelets, necklaces and earrings.
- Mindfulness workshop focussing on strategies to relax and keep us calm.
- Collar and Cuffs Theatre company visited us to tell the story of The Tempest. Some shows were fully immersive and allowed students to join in with the storytelling, including getting on the boats and meeting the characters Aerial and Prospero.

Thursday

- Folk Musicians came from the English Folk society and both performed for us and invited us to perform alongside them.
- Minecraft club went ahead with students designing their own places
- Flash Mob dancing in the playground
- Yoga classes in the afternoon to allow us to stretch and move our bodies.

Friday

- Bag Books came in to tell us 2 multisensory stories. One about visiting the allotment, the other about visiting the Caribbean.
- Pottery sessions where students got to throw a pot on the wheel and build with their hands.
- French Café – where we could practice our language skills and enjoys some French foods
VR experience where we could try out the VR headsets and visit other places without leaving the room!



Miscellaneous

Family SEN Fitness Project

Where? The Bridge Leisure Centre, SE26 5AQ

When? Monday's, Tuesday's and Wednesday's

Time 2-3.30pm

The first session will be on Monday 29th July and run until Wednesday 14th August

For more information contact matthew.houghton@fusion-lifestyle.com

Free school meals

If you think that you may be entitled to Free School Meals, please check your eligibility on the London Borough of Lewisham website, searching for Free school meals.

Website

Please remember to check our website www.greenvale.lewisham.sch.uk and select parents, communities and partners for lots of information.

