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Weekly Parent Update

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPALS

Happy Friday!

We want to start by thanking you for taking the time to give us feedback on the new end of term reports. 100% of respondents told us that this new style of report was an improvement on the old style, and that these reports are a positive step in improving communication with parents and carers, something which is important to us all on the senior leadership team.

We are excited to tell you that we have been invited to take part in the 70th birthday celebrations of the international English Speaking Board and they have representatives coming to Foxes next week for some filming and to hand out some awards to some of our students who entered their 'Your Milestone' competition. We look forward to sharing with you the winners next week.

Finally, we wanted to draw your attention to World Down Syndrome Day on the 21st March and sharing that we will be taking part in Mencap's 'rock your socks' challenge. To celebrate the day we will be holding a sponsored walk where the students will be collectively walking 21 miles and where we aim to raise £2100. Please visit our just giving page shared below, should you wish to support us.

We hope you all have a great weekend.

Kevin Parker - Interim Principal Mark Costello - Principal Designate









MEET THE REYNARD CARE TEAM

Hello, my name is Sami, I am a Senior Care Support Work for Reynard Care. I have worked for the Reynard's Team since 2014.

I have a special interest in Diabetes care, and I support all staff across Foxes and Reynard's with training and understanding this medical condition.

SAMI HUISH



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AN UPDATE FROM THE EDUCATION TEAM

Next week our third-year students will be taking their ESB exams, please join us in wishing them the best of luck! They are going to be fab!

GOLDEN MOMENT OF THE WEEK

This week Nicola Gibbs, our Head of Education, attended our wonderful community engagement café in Williton. Speaking to some of the customers who attended they explained how they love to see the progress being made by our students and they can clearly see the improvements in both confidence and abilities. Great feedback!



MAKATON

SIGN OF THE WEEK: WHITE

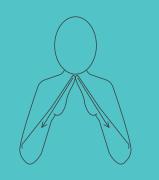
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FOXES

WORD OF THE WEEK: HOUSE

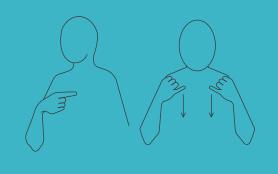
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FOXES

PHRASE OF THE WEEK: I FEEL ILL

Directions: Follow the movements below



NOTABLE VISITS/ACTIVITIES

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Last night at The Loft, Kevin and myself had the pleasure of attending the students' presentation of their reading project: Harry Potter and the Fox's Stone. There are many Harry Potter fans in The Loft and this story had been devised and written by Max. Each student presented various sections of the story with accompanying artwork. The story itself was wonderful - with a clear narrative - and the artwork was absolutely beautiful, with great care taken over representing each section of the story. It was very apparent that the students had been working hard on this with staff and afterwards it was lovely to talk to them about their illustrations and how they came to choose each section. The students worked collaboratively and were very supportive of each other when presenting. All in all, a delightful end to the day. Thank you to all the fantastic students and staff in The Loft who took part and made us so welcome.

J K Rowling would be proud of you - as are we.

Nicola Gibbs Head of Education

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