

## Message from the Headteacher:

Welcome to another edition of Lime Academy Hornbeams newsletter.

I am so excited to see our students work alongside our media team to develop the newsletters into a video presentation. This will support learners to develop their confidence around public speaking, reading skills and potentially career opportunities.

I hope everyone has had the opportunity to watch our Children in Need video where the school raised money through various avenues for such a worthwhile cause.

We now have fully trained staff to deliver Forest Schools as part of our personal development offer. Forest School is a person-centred inspirational learning process, that offers opportunities for holistic growth through regular sessions. It is a long-term program that supports play, exploration and supported risk taking. It develops confidence and self-esteem through learner inspired, hands-on experiences in a natural setting. Click on this link to find out more information.

<https://forestschoollassociation.org/what-is-forest-school/>

As the temperature continues to drop, I would like to remind everyone of the need to ensure appropriate clothing to keep our learners warm. Learners will still be accessing the outdoor area and we need to ensure that they are appropriately dressed.

I would also like to remind everyone to check our fortnightly online safety tips to promote the safe use of the internet for our young people.

Kind Regards,

Ben Hawes

## Parents Evening – 7 December 2021

You can choose your time slot for Parents Evening, using Parent Portal/Arbor App.

Please download from your Play Store on your phone, the Arbor App.

If you have any queries, please contact the school office.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR



7 December	Parents Evening
10 December	Christmas Jumper Day & Lunch
13 December	INSET Day 3 – school closed to pupils
14 December	Pupils return to school
17 December	Last Day of Term
20 December – 3 January	Christmas Holiday



## Dear Parents and Carers,

I am a new team member keen to connect with all parents within our school community!

I am currently preparing to roll out some exciting opportunities to engage with you; offering a safe space where we can listen to your views and suggestions whilst we facilitate meaningful encounters with other parents, community services and training providers.

I am passionate about the work I plan to do, bringing 13 years of educational experience and postgraduate achievements to my role.

I have worked in the local area for 6 years and established partnerships with local government and charitable services.

I want to take this opportunity to promote the completion of our parent [Survey](#) - please take a moment to respond or feel free to request support. I am here to support you.

Your input will help to strengthen the work we need to do to secure successful outcomes for all our students.

I look forward to seeing you soon at one of our events.

Edith Windsor-Stokes

## Learning @ BFH – Ruby Class

Ruby class have been having a busy Autumn term and have enjoyed linking their learning to the theme of winter wonderland. During attention autism sessions the class have been creating winter tree scenes using powdered paint and collage materials, whilst in science sessions they have been investigating freezing and melting by creating frozen fruit bags and yogurt ice pops



Last Friday was a busy day with the class sharing their amazing Black History Month project in an online assembly, an aeroplane mobile celebrating the life of Bessie Coleman, and enjoying Children in Need by joining many of their peers and staff in non-uniform. We even had our very own class mascot!



The class have been developing their fine motor skills in creative ways. They have been practicing core skills needed in food preparation such as spreading, by creating towers out of foam soap and building blocks, and crafting vibrant snowflake designs by threading, looping, and wrapping wools and ribbons.



## Learning @ WM – Fox Class

Fox class is delivering this week's newsletter! There have been many exciting events happening around the school recently. There were Anti-bullying week activities, the Children in Need Pyjama Day Fundraiser, and a football tournament.

For Anti-Bullying week, many classes completed lessons focusing on recognising bullying and how it can be prevented. For instance, my class explored how negative peer pressure can sometimes be used to force students into making poor decisions. There was also an anti-bully sensory workshop which several classes took part in to help them better understand their feelings and emotions. (Pictures below)



Lastly, we want to wish congratulations to the boys who attended last week's football tournament. The team played hard and managed to finish mid-table for the day. It was an enjoyable day with some great goals, outstanding defensive plays and superb goalkeeping! We will continue to send different groups of students to attend tournaments. They are ongoing throughout the entire school year.



Looking ahead, we have some classes starting swimming lessons at the Waltham Forest Feel Good Centre next week! Additionally, Classes will start putting up Christmas decorations and begin our countdown to the holidays! The school will look amazing!

Thank you for reading!

Terry Fox Class

## Children In Need

WM Campus is also proud to announce that we raised **£172.32** for Children in Need. The Pyjama Day was a big success. Thank you to everyone who donated and dressed up!



BH Campus would also like to inform you that we collected **£113.00**. Thank you to everyone that donated.



## Parent Information

### Carers First Waltham Forest

## Carers' Cafe



Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month 1.00 – 3.00 at the Dementia Hub, 25 Sidmouth Road, Leyton E10 5QZ

This is a drop-in session for carers to meet up, chat and enjoy a drink and a biscuit. No need to book: just turn up!

We respectfully ask you only to attend if you have been fully immunised against COVID-19 or have proof of medical exemption. Please can you also bring proof of a negative LFD test taken the same day; you can have one at the Hub but will need to wait half an hour for the result.



**Invite you to an Open Day**  
**Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> November 2021**  
**from 10am to 2pm**

St John's College is part of the specialist provision of New City College for learners with a wide range of needs including moderate to severe Learning Difficulties, autistic spectrum disorder (ASD) and those with associated speech, language and communication difficulties, aged 19-25 years.

This is your chance to visit and explore our fantastic College. See what we can offer to prospective students, as well as an opportunity to meet our current students and staff.

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