

Message from the Head teacher:

Dear Parents and Carers

It has been a busy week in terms of improving the environment for our learners at Lime Academy Hornbeam. We are delighted that work has started on our early years' playground at Brookfield House. In next week's newsletter we will be able to share photos of the finished project. In addition, we have started a rolling programme of upgrading some of the classrooms across the site.

During the summer, two members of staff, Lovie and Allsion dedicated a lot of time to create a beautiful sensory garden at Brookfield House. We thank you for your efforts.



We are constantly looking to develop areas of Hornbeam school and to ensure we create an environment where our learners can thrive.

At William Morris we have a number of learners who cycle into school. Please be mindful as the nights draw in that your child's bike has lights and they are wearing clothes that make certain they are visible to traffic and pedestrians. Although not law, I would encourage pupils to wear a cycle helmet to and from school.

As you may be aware, there are some concerns around the new variant of Covid-19 cases. We are guided by Public Health through the borough and the main message at the moment is that there is no current or expected change to guidance in relation to Covid-19. We will of course keep you updated.

Finally, I would like to encourage any parents/carers who are interested in joining the Parent Teachers Association. Please leave your details at William Morris or Brookfield House reception. You can of course email or phone to leave your details. The PTA run a number of exciting events throughout the year and are always looking for new ideas. The next planned event is a Halloween disco, further details to follow.

Have a great weekend.

Sean Egan

Headteacher

SCHOOL CALENDAR



20 October	INSET Day 2 – school closed to pupils
23-27 October	Autumn Half Term
30 October	Pupils return to school

Makaton Sign of the Week



Home

This week's Makaton Sign is -Home: [Video Link](#)

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Absence Notification

If your child is absent, you must:

- Contact the school on the first day of absence and keep us informed thereafter via the absence line or directly at the school office by 9.00am.

This Week's Top Attendance

Whole School Attendance

(Average this year)

84.7%

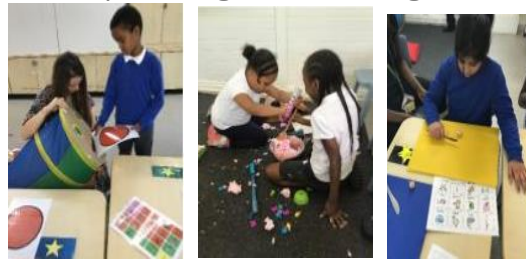
Attendance Congratulations

Classes with above 90% attendance

- (BH) Blue – 97.1%
- (BH) Maroon – 96.8%
- (WM) Mandela – 96.7%
- (WM) Goldberg – 96.0%
- (BH) Lilac – 95.7%
- (BH) Gold – 95.4%
- (WM) Reeve – 94.9%
- (BH) Yellow – 94.6%
- (WM) Fotheringham – 94.5%
- (WM) Charles – 94.4%
- (BH) Ruby – 94.2%
- (WM) Watson – 91.3%
- (WM) Wonder – 90.8%
- (BH) Bronze – 90.7%
- (BH) Purple – 90.4%

Learning @ BH – Rose Class

Rose Class have had a great week of learning! They have settled brilliantly into the new academic year. In My Thinking, the learners have been enjoying sensory stories such as 'The Hungry Caterpillar' and 'By the Light of the Harvest Moon'. The learners have enjoyed practising their phonics, counting and sensory skills to participate in these sessions. We have also enjoyed the story '2 Little Witches'. This has provided the learners with lots of opportunity to dress up and role play different characters as well as practicing their counting skills.



In Me and My Body Sessions we have been exploring food in Food Tech. We have been practicing slicing and chopping different foods. The learners were brilliant at using their senses to smell and explore food such as garlic and ginger. Next week we are going to use our chopping skills whilst following an entire recipe.



In My Creativity we have been enjoying lots of messy play to explore and create. We have been working hard to follow instructions to make magic potions using a range of ingredients such as worms (spaghetti), magic clouds (bath foam) and googly eyes. The learners have been working in pairs to create and mix together. They have really enjoyed the messy play aspects of the sessions.

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Learning @ WM – Capaldi Class

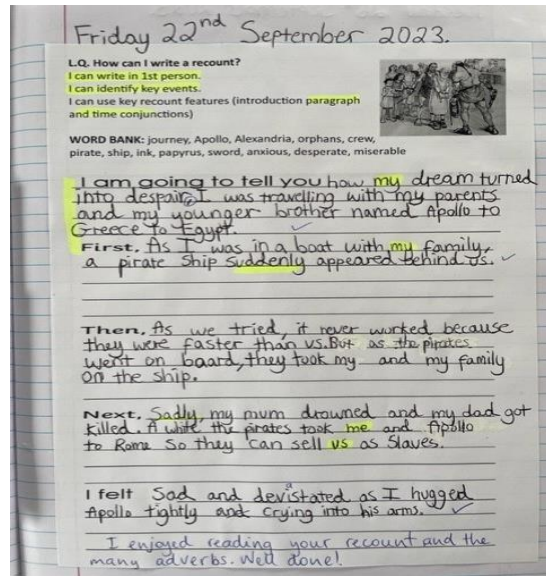
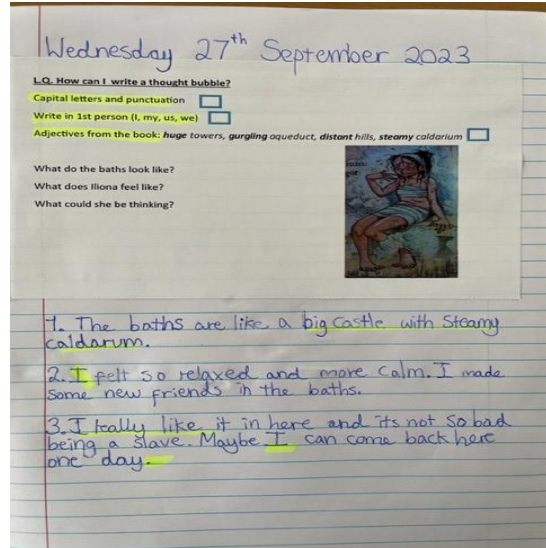
In Capaldi class we have used our observational skills to comment on the changes in nature, as we officially entered a new season – Autumn. We collected natural materials and created self-portraits showing our individual traits. In PSHE we discussed how everyone is valuable and how our school values encourage respect, self-worth partnership and communication.



In Maths we are continuing to explore number and place value.



In English we have enjoyed our journey through time with the help of the Roman Diary – The Journal of Iliona by R. Platt. We have used the children’s atlas to identify the points of her journey from Greece to Alexandria (Egypt) then Rome. We wrote a recount of how the pirates captured Iliona and her younger brother and a thought bubble in first person.



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Community Information



New City College Open Events

Please see the attached dates for their most recent open events via the link below:

<https://www.ncclondon.ac.uk/open-events/>

St John's College – Open Day



Invite you to an Open Day
Thursday, 5th October 2023
from 10am to 12pm

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.

St John's College

[Turpin Lane, Woodford Bridge, Essex IG8 8AX](#)

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The aim of St John's College is to enable its learners to gain the knowledge, skills and confidence they need to make a successful transition to Adulthood and to live, work and contribute as fully as possible as part of their Community.



Employment / Education

Independent Living, Travel Training, Cooking,

Good Health and Wellbeing

Friends, Relationships,

and Community Inclusion.

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Educational Psychology Service Free Monthly Parent/Carer Consultation Sessions

Dates:

20th September 2023
18th October 2023
22nd November 2023
6th December 2023
17th January 2024
28th February 2024
27th March 2024
24th April 2024
22nd May 2024
19th June 2024
17th July 2024

To book a 30 minute consultation, please contact our Business Support Officer below

**EDUCATIONAL
PSYCHOLOGY SERVICE**

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Do you have concerns about your child?

Would you like to talk to an Educational Psychologist in confidence?

Appointment Only Sessions

Afternoon sessions are 12.30-2pm
Evening Sessions are 3.30- 5.00

Individual consultation with an Educational Psychologist are offered via phone/zoom or in person for Parents and Carers living in London Borough Waltham Forest.

Sessions last for no more than 30 minutes and provide an opportunity to ask any questions or discuss concerns with a member of our culturally diverse Educational Psychology Team.

Educational Psychologists are qualified specialists in child psychology and child development, with particular expertise in supporting children and young people with special educational needs, learning difficulties, and social, emotional and behaviour difficulties. All LBWF Educational Psychologists are registered with the Health Care Professionals Council.

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