

Message from the Head teacher:

The beginning of March brought not only beautiful early spring weather but also two wonderful events that were celebrated across our academy.

On March 7th, we celebrated World Book Day in style! Learners and staff embraced the spirit of the day by dressing up as their favorite book characters. The day was filled with a range of fun and engaging activities which included learners enjoying quiet moments of reading or sharing books with friends or in small groups.

Learners at William Morris and Brookfield House took part in sensory exploration and art activities that contributed to a sensory story, allowing everyone to dive deeper into imaginative storytelling.

Learners in the Everest Pathway at William Morris participated in a special assembly with visiting author Eithne Cullen. In preparation, they worked hard to come up with thoughtful questions to ask Eithne about her work.

In addition to our World Book Day celebrations, March also marked National Careers Week, a time for students to explore potential career paths and gain hands-on experience. Here's how our pupils participated:

The Scholastic Book Fair at William Morris: Many learners took on roles to ensure the smooth operation of the Scholastic Book Fair. They were involved in a variety of tasks, including:

- Setting up the stands
- Advertising and promoting the books
- Selling items
- Providing customer service

This real-world experience gave our pupils valuable skills in teamwork, communication, and organisation.

Sensory Work Experience at BH: Pupils at BH had the opportunity to engage in a variety of sensory-based projects designed to provide work experience in different fields.

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SCHOOL CALENDAR



3rd April 25 Last day of term

22nd April 25 Return to school

These hands-on activities allowed our learners the opportunity to explore different career paths while developing essential life skills.

It was truly a week of celebration, creativity, and exploration!

Joanne Sweeney

Deputy Head

This Week's Top Attendance

Whole School Attendance

(Average this year)

87.4%

Attendance Congratulations

Classes with above 90% attendance

(WM) Hawking – 96.5%

(WM) Fox – 96.2%

(WM) Fotheringham – 95.3%

(WM) Charles – 93.9%

(BH) Ruby – 93.5%

(BH) Red – 92.2%

(WM) Pearson – 91.9%

(WM) Goldberg – 90.5%

(WM) Capaldi – 90.4%

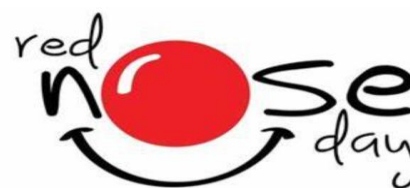
(BH) Rose – 90.3%

(BH) Blue – 90.0%

(WM) Mandela – 90.0%

Red Nose Day 21st March 2025

'Wear something red' for WM Red nose day Friday 21st March'



Learning @ BH – Coral Class

The first week of March was Careers week here at Brookfield House Schol. Coral class has been exploring themed boxes of different professions. We have been discovering how it is to be a vet, a construction worker, a cleaner, a chef and a dentist.

communication and role play skills throughout the creative exploration of all the boxes.



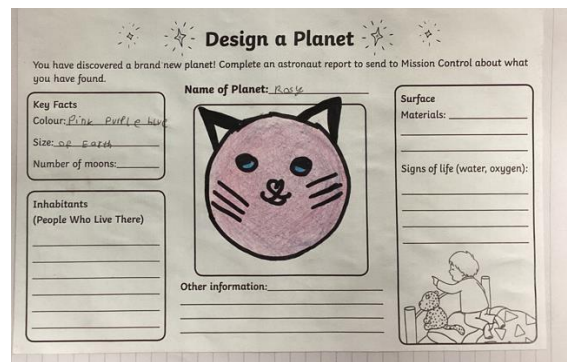
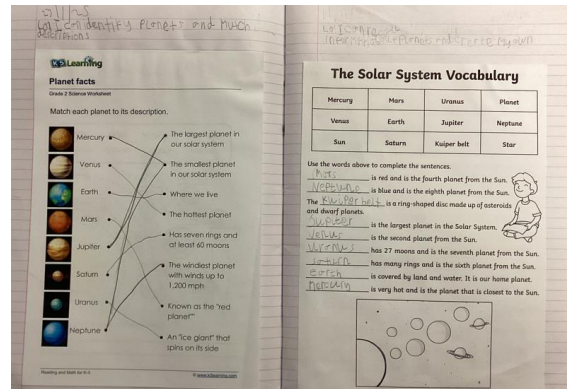
We have been dressing up, using different props, exploring uniforms and tools and handling a variety of specialised objects for each profession! We also experienced some amazing interactions between the learners!



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Learning @ WM – Watson Class

This year, Watson Class has been exploring the wonders of space, studying the solar system and how it affects our planet. They've learned about the differences between planets and what makes Earth unique. The students have also used adjectives to describe planets and have gained an understanding of the moon's cycle. In preparation for a creative project, they are now designing their own planets, incorporating various features they've learned about. At the end of this term, the Fuji Challenge Pathway will host an exhibition where students will teach their peers about two planets of their choice.



This will provide an exciting opportunity for students to share the knowledge they've gained and give others an insightful look into the wonders of space.

St Johns College – Information



In Partnership With
NEW CITY COLLEGE Redbridge
Hackney
Tower Hamlets

Post 18/19 Provision



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 year and who also have a Learning Difficulty.

Link attached for more information [St Johns Wood](#)

Great News! Breakfast club will be back!

As some of you may have heard on the news the Government are introducing breakfast clubs in the UK from September 2025! However, we at William Morris could not wait that long, and as part of a pilot for the government, we are 1 of 750 schools in England who will be welcoming back our much-loved breakfast club. We are the only Special School in Waltham Forest to be chosen to start the club early! We are working behind the scenes to get it all ready for its official launch on the 22nd of April. So keep an eye out as some exciting posters with more details will be out soon!

Sunita Bhamra

Deputy Headteacher

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Coffee Morning @ BH- Date - tbc

Dear Parents/Carers,

Brookfield House School will be holding regular Coffee Mornings, the date for the next one to be confirmed.

Please bring any pre-loved clothes, (Adults and children's sizes).

Grab a coffee and a biscuit and maybe even a pair of jeans and a top!

See you there,

Charlee Nelson

Family support worker/Attendance Welfare officer



Thank you from Macmillan Cancer Support

I just wanted to take a moment to send a heartfelt thank you for your generous donation of £83.28 to Macmillan Cancer Support. Your kindness and support mean so much, helping us be there for people affected by cancer when they need us most. Every contribution makes a real impact, and we're truly grateful that you chose to support our work. Please do pass on our thanks to everyone involved—your generosity is deeply appreciated.

Find out more about the impact of your support by visiting [Thanks to you](#).

Thank you again for helping those people living with cancer.

With best wishes,

Sree Samudrala

Supporter Donations Team

Some Kind of Hack Space

'Some Kind of Hack Space'

A space for autonomous creative exploration with technology

For neurodiverse young people age 14-25

What is 'Some Kind of Hack Space'?

Some Kind of Hack Space is a project space for neurodiverse young people to experiment, test out creative ideas, and meet up.

A relaxed supportive environment in which neurodiverse young people can explore their own creative ideas supported by regular staff and visiting creative practitioners with expertise in neurodivergent conditions and youth work.

Visiting artists, designers and scientists will bring a variety of creative workshops and activities to each session.

You can bring your own projects to get on with. You might for example want to code, edit film, animate, draw, knit, write music...just let us know what you're thinking of doing in the sign-up form. You will have access to some equipment, computers and drawing materials.

Artists and technicians are available to assist you with your projects if you need them. They have lots of skills they can share with you including coding and electronics, making music, animation, filmmaking, using a camera, fabric construction and mathematical origami! **Please follow link below for more information**

[For more information](#)

Where is it?

- Leyton Sixth Form College, Essex Road, Leyton, London, E10 6EQ

Other Stuff

- It's free
- Parents, carers and siblings are welcome to come along and support you, join in the activities, have a cuppa with other parents in the foyer, or drop you off for the day. Whatever suits you.
- We will have some snacks, but do bring your own food and drinks

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As you may already be aware, Lime Trust has been running its own **Teacher Training programme** with Ambition Institute from September 2024. If you are considering training to be a primary teacher and would like to join our September 2025 cohort.

If you are ready to apply and meet the eligibility requirements, please use the following link: <https://www2.ambition.org.uk/l/330231/2023-06-20/twm4v>

For any additional information, please email traintoteach@limetrust.org or contact Michaela Philpot on 020 4548 1732.

School Uniform

Please make sure that your child is wearing the correct uniform. Could you also make sure that your child's name is labelled clearly on the clothing.

Thank you for your support.

Link to: [My Clothing](#)

Excellent Trustpilot

Welcome to MyClothing

We're the UK's largest provider of embroidered school uniform. Search our database of over 7,500 schools.



WALTHAM FOREST HOLIDAY ACTIVITY AND FOOD PROGRAMME

EASTER 2025

7 APRIL - 17 APRIL

**ARE YOU AGED BETWEEN 5-16
AND IN RECEIPT OF BENEFIT
RELATED FREE SCHOOL MEALS?**

Funded by the Department for Education, this easter we have the opportunity for you to try a wide range of free activities, have fun, make friends and enjoy a free meal every day across the borough.

To book your place and find out more scan here:



or visit

WALTHAMFOREST.GOV.UK/HOLIDAYS

**Booking is essential on all activities
so book early to avoid disappointment**

For queries please contact the Waltham Forest Holiday Activity Programme team on:

**WFHOLIDAYACTIVITYPROGRAMME@
WALTHAMFOREST.GOV.UK**



More information included in email.

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SEND Specialist Practitioner Drop-in Clinics –

12th May – 9.30 -11.00 @ BH 2.00-3.30 @ WM

Please call school office to book a 15-minute appointment

Waltham Forest
0-19 School Health

SEND Specialist Practitioner Drop-in Clinics

We offer public health interventions, confidential support and advice for your child around (but not limited to)...

- Healthy eating and lifestyles
- Hygiene
- Weight
- Dental health
- Healthy sleep
- Immunisations
- Toileting
- Behaviours
- Puberty
- Emotional and Wellbeing
- Drugs alcohol and smoking
- Sexual health and relationships
- ...or just a chat

If we cannot help, we will find someone who can.

We also refer and signpost to specialist services.

Drop-in clinics during the school year

- One per half term
- Usually on a Monday
- Time: 9.30am-11am or 2pm - 3.30pm

How to contact us
Email: thgpcg_WF0-19sendspecialistservice@nhs.net
Call Single Point of Access (SPA): 0300 033 6200
Email SPA: thgpcg.wf0-19spa1@nhs.net

Website: www.gpcaregroup.org | Social media: @THGPCareGroup

September 2024

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SEND Parent Navigator Service

Understanding . Information . Support

Feeling confused?

Overwhelmed?

Alone?



If your child or young person...

- is autistic
- is waiting for an assessment
- or might be autistic

Referral Form



bit.ly/WFSENDHELP

We can help you...

- Understand your child's needs and next steps
- Navigate forms and assessments
- Find the right services and support for both you and your child
- Feel more confident and connected in your journey



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