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NEWSLETTER

MAGDALEN
COURT SCHOOL



SUMMER TERM 1 – WEEK 6

Classes for September

We are currently in the process of confirming the class lists for the start of the new school year in September. On Friday 9th, learners will be introduced to their new class teachers for September. We will also be sending this information home via Class Dojo. The final two weeks of the summer term will then be spent in the new classes, to give learners time to get to know their new teachers and routine.

Water Bottles

We have enjoyed some lovely weather this week, and there is more to come if the forecast is right! Please could all learners bring water bottles to school, in order to keep hydrated throughout the day.

Outdoor Education

Learners will be visiting Spitchwick next term, and building their water confidence! Please ensure all learners are sent in with appropriate clothing for water based activities.

Swimming

A reminder - please note - Ash and Hazel classes will be having swimming lessons on the following dates:

Thursday 8th June

Thursday 15th June

Headteacher's Award



This week's Headteacher's Award is given to Jasmine for a mature attitude, being caring and not getting involved.

Stars of the Week!



Oak - Dainton

Larch - Isabel

Beech - Toby

Holly - Ruby

Elm - George

Hazel & Ash - Josh

Post 16 - Theo

Beech mysteries!

We have been so impressed this term by the efforts of Beech and Larch class, as they've written their own short mystery stories! The learners have all worked fantastically and really pushed themselves to write more than ever before. This week, we are featuring some work by an anonymous member of Beech class!

Amée

Ah there it was again the trundling of a carriage rolling to a stop, thought Amée as she sprung to her window and laid her prying eyes upon yet another lady freshly wed to her master. Her thoughts led to two weeks prior as her mind returned to that ever fateful night.

The walls were cold as winter hung heavy in the air and the sound of metal crashing against stone was slowly approaching the manor, as the thunderous racket died down Amée scurried over to her window and peered out upon a tremendous wedding carriage with steel rimmed cartwheels befitting a weapon of war, out of which climbed out her master and his presumed bride.

Holly - Art class

This term, Holly class have been looking at a variety of artists and styles. Using this as inspiration, they have now created their own pieces which will be displayed up in school next term! Until then, we have shared some of the fantastic work below.

Zac - inspired by Vincent Van Gogh



**Mae -
inspired by
David
Hockney**

Camron Jon - inspired by Georgia O'Keeffe



Sports Day

As announced in last week's newsletter, we are so excited for our Sports Day on the 14th June!

After morning arrivals, there will be a Sports themed quiz before the learners travel to Exeter Arena for a fun morning of Athletics! Learners will then return to school where Harry will be offering up a delicious lunch. In the afternoon, there will be more sports based activities taking place on site.

As always, we are keen for our learners to take part as much as possible - however, we do appreciate that a sports day may cause some of our learners to feel concerned or anxious. Please contact Emma with any questions or concerns.

Food Tech

We have had a super busy and productive week in Food Tech. Beech & Larch have practiced knife skills, when preparing vegetables and handling raw meat for their chicken noodle soup recipe. Hazel class made a spicy prawn noodle dish using ginger, garlic, sesame seed, sweet chilli jam and Pak Choi. In Ash class, learners continued to complete practical assessments towards their BTEC Level 1 home cooking qualification by inviting a member of staff in to share a recipe. Holly class tackled an authentic Thai style spicy prawn soup. Elm practiced their knife skills preparing slices of oranges, melons and lemons for the freezer, ready for this hot weather when we need a cooling snack during breaks! Post 16 learners continued practicing their chosen recipes and it was great to see them applying home cooking skills with greater independence. In Oak class, learners made Asian inspired fruit salads with home made toasted oats and blueberry compote. After the half term our next theme will be Alfresco dining! An overview will be uploaded onto the website in due course.



Brilliant biographies!

It's time to share another brilliant staff biography! This time it's Mae's work, who chose to interview Elm teacher and football fan - Dean Coppard!

Dean Coppard



Dean Coppard was born in 1981 on Valentine's Day which makes him 42 years old. He grew up in west London in Hayes Middlesex. During his childhood memories Dean loved school and especially sport which come on who wouldn't love P.E? He has two sisters and one brother. One sister was born same day as him just younger. Deans' older brother joined in playing football.

Can you guess what sport Dean loved the most?

Over the years Dean became a powerhouse to the sport of football. "I just wanted to go pro," commented to himself during the interview. We asked him who inspired him, and he said, "I don't know probably Liverpool F.C John Barnes."

At the age of 22 Dean studied sport science. Our reports came through that if Dean went back to his previous life, he wouldn't change anything. He commented "you see when you have kids you wouldn't change anything cause then that would mean they might not be there."

Unusually Dean told us some shocking news that he was an extra in a film called 'Green Street'.

Can't imagine how well that went down?

Finally, his career is now in teaching in Magdalen court school where he's currently having a whale of a time showing us all up. Teaching wasn't always his passion, but he has found a way. Sometimes it's interesting that even the pros' change careers in life.

Find out more about Dean's life by reading this biography of his achievements.....

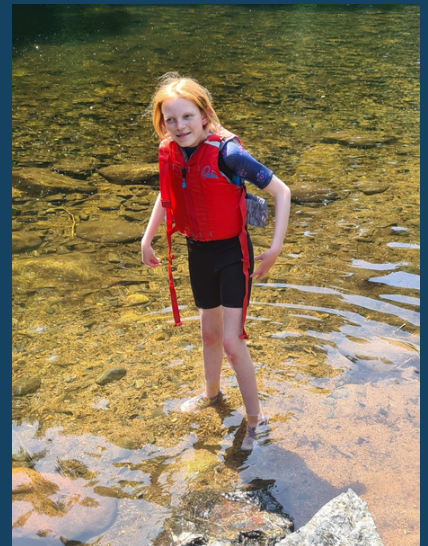
Swimming success!

Rosie achieved her 50m swim recently, at her after school swimming lesson, well done!



Outdoor Education - Highlights!

It's been a lovely week for our learners on Outdoor Education - especially because of the beautiful weather! Learners have visited the Forest School site, enjoyed water sports and even checked out local wildlife, spotting tadpoles, mice and sparrows!



Next Week

Please find the schedule for the return to school below - featuring Outdoor Ed, Food Tech, Swimming and Exams.

SUMMER 2 WEEK 1



MONDAY KS4/5 English Exam Food Beech (spiced beef with bashed beans)	TUESDAY Outdoor Ed Holly & Elm (Spitchwick) Food Larch (spiced beef with bashed beans) Post 16 (BTEC practice) Hazel (Food Safety Coursework)	WEDNESDAY KS4/5 Maths Exam Outdoor Ed Oak (Spitchwick) Food: Holly & Elm (spinachy wraps served with a watermelon, radish & feta salad) Ash (Self Evaluation)
THURSDAY Outdoor Ed Larch & Beech (Spitchwick)	FRIDAY KS4/5 Biology Exam Outdoor Ed Hazel, Ash & Post 16 (Spitchwick) Food Oak (Sausage Rolls)	

**NOTE**
It's getting sunny! Please make sure learners are bringing reusable water bottles to school!

Safeguarding

Ahead of half term, we are sharing some advice on how to stay safe online this summer! Over the break, learners will probably spend more time on their devices than usual. Using the advice on the following page, we hope you will find some useful tips to keep everyone safe!

STAY SAFE ONLINE THIS SUMMER

How many tips can you find?

UNSURE?
ASK A TRUSTED
ADULT

MAKE TIME FOR
OTHER HOBBIES

IGNORE
TROLLS &
BULLIES

DON'T GIVE OUT
PERSONAL INFO

AVOID
SCROLLING
AIMLESSLY

BE KIND

REACT AND
COMMENT
POSITIVELY

SHARE
UPLIFTING
CONTENT

BUYING
ONLINE?
SPEND
CAUTIOUSLY

WATCH OUT FOR
FAKE NEWS

REPORT
BAD ONLINE BEHAVIOUR

TAKE REGULAR
SCREEN BREAKS

ACCEPT
PEOPLE'S
DIFFERENCES

THINK TWICE
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