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Latest news and events from the Green Room School

It's half term already, and we have crammed in so many activities, day trips and film Fridays, that this one has really flown by. Amongst the usual lessons and Skilled For Life units, we have been rock climbing, sewing lap top bags, experimenting with stamp art and started taking the GCSE exams!

We would particularly like to thank our volunteer, Syd, for giving us his time, sharing his knowledge and experience in Science, and organising two great day trips to the Royal Institution and Grundon Waste Management plant. Thank you Syd, he will be back next term to investigate science in nature at our local allotment!

Film Fridays

The Election Campaign - Following the success of the last Film Friday where we created the News program, this term the students were challenged with creating their own election campaign, and filming a behind the scenes mockumentary of the process, therefore learning about politics, voting and democracy. The day was great fun and in the end, the underdog won, just as he should!

The Revolution - As you probably know, the concept of the Green Room began because Joe had been working in education for several years, and so often saw the flaws and students who fell through the gaps and didn't fit into the system.

ROCK CLIMBING

TRAIN TO LONDON

REVOLUTION MAKEUP

He wanted to change this, he wanted to start a revolution in education and so set up the Green Room. Taking inspiration from this, we staged a real revolution here, with Joe in charge as an evil dictator who ruled over the Green room keeping the students as slaves, working on the chain gang. The students revolted, started a battle, fought with the guards, and overthrew the Dictator. This was the first time we tried a different format and had people in different departments, (eg. sound & makeup) and ran it like a professional film set. Everyone had a great time and threw themselves into their roles, whilst learning about revolution, dictatorship and democracy.

Inventions by Gaslight
Syd recently took his scientists to the Royal Institution, as part of the Skilled For Life unit, where they have been studying theory and practice of Science in everyday life. During the trip we were all given PDA's and headsets which guided us round the displays and the actual laboratory where Michael Faraday invented the first electric dynamo, motor and transformer. After the institution we walked through Saville Row, New Bond Street and Carnaby street before having a hot chocolate in an award winning cafe off Regent Street.

What a load of rubbish!
From the past to the present and the future, the scientists also ventured to Grundon, the largest waste management company in the UK, to see how electricity can be generated from burning waste. We had an introductory video followed by a tour of the plant. The students particularly liked the grab cranes which drop 9 and a half tonnes of rubbish at a time into the incinerator (which burns at nearly 1000 degrees celcius) This creates steam to power the turbines which generates enough electricity to power every home in Slough. Nothing is wasted and the emissions are cleaned up to very strict standards. It was fascinating and we all got to wear hard hats and were given a goodie bag!

Science Museum
Finally we also went to London to visit the Science Museum. On a lovely day we caught the train and stopped by the fountains in Hyde Park for lunch. We explored the incredible array of what the science museum has to offer, giving us insight into space exploration, the history of flight, gory waxworks showing the history of medicine and interactive tests to try and work out who we really are! The Green Room pupils were a credit to us and themselves.
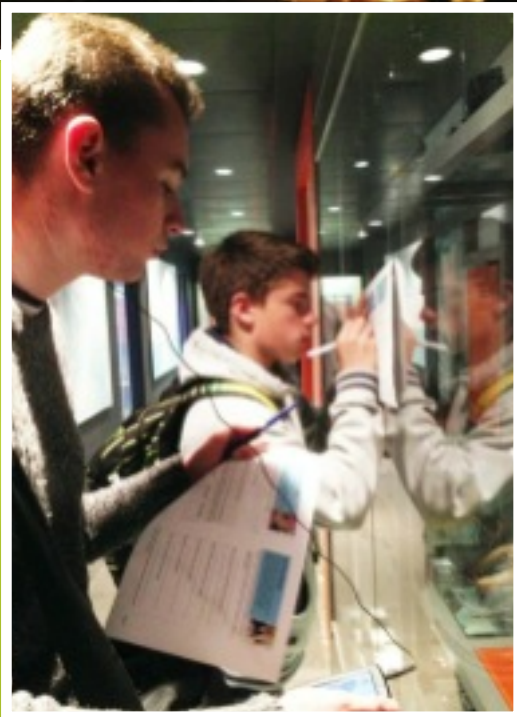

STAMP ART

FILM FRIDAY

SEWING

REVOLUTION

PHOTOS FROM THIS TERM

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Well done everyone on another great half term, enjoy the break!

Term Dates

22nd - 30th May - Half term

Monday 2nd June - Back to School

Friday 11th July - Last day of term