# the GREENROOM school



Latest News and Events

So it's the end of the first half of this term already, as usual it has gone quickly and everyone has been busy. We finally decided on a new Green Room logo which was pretty much everyone's favourite choice, you can see it above, hope you like it!

## Sport

Sport has been great this term, pupils have been developing their skills in basketball and badminton and been continuing their competitiveness in uni-hoc. Over the last 2 weeks the pupils have joined Deej on his magical mystery sporting tour in 4 separate matches in different sports. The Green Team took on Orange in games of football, cricket ultimate frisbee, and finished with school favourite, uni hoc. The Gym goers have started their personal fitness plans created by Ash and Charlie which have also been a massive success as we have already started to see improvements in pupil's health and fitness. Everyone has enjoyed sport this half term and Deej hopes the pupils carry on their hard work and enthusiasm in the next half term.



Jenny's Art group have been doing some lovely printing work, working alongside an arts practitioner and taking photos on their iPads.

#### Drama

In Drama pupils have been working towards their Arts Award, writing and preparing their own monologues to perform in a medium of their choosing, some performing live, some recorded on video, some have created a graphic recording which is superimposing their voices over moving images. They have enjoyed challenge of creating an emotionally engaging piece.

#### Media

The Media group had a very successful day making their zombie film, the pupils constructed a well

oiled production

splitting the team workload between each individual. Kieren directed and wrote the screen play, Elliot took charge of the props department, Louise became the films make up artist and Jack dipped his big toe into the giant unforgiving sea of postmodernism.

Pupils constructed portfolios documenting and tracking their work and each pupil delved deep into their chosen area looking at professionals, iconic creations and previous work to draw







inspiration and guidance that would eventually lead the pupils to their finished product. What they have created is something far beyond what was expected of them. The class worked hard, had fun and looked like professionals while they were doing it. The film is now on our blog www.thegreenroomschool. com/blog

# **Blogs**

All pupils and staff now have their own individual blogs, staff can post subject relevant articles, films or photos to theirs and pupils can document their work, videos or photos on theirs.

# Joe's Vegan Challenge

After much research into the effects of mass farming and what this was doing to the environment, our health and what actually happens to the animals, Joe set himself the challenge of living as a vegan for a month. He has kept us posted on his blog on how he has felt, what he has eaten and books and documentaries he has seen.

The challenge has ended now but he will certainly be taking on certain aspects of this way of life permanently.

# The Alternative Edge

Pupils have worked on several different projects this term, which include creating new subway recipes and making their own advertisements for them, learning



to argue a point

of view that isn't their own by talking to classmates, finding out their opinions on interesting topics and then presenting them as their own. They have also been inventing products and making adverts for them which will be filmed using a green screen.

### Science

In Science pupils have been preparing for their controlled assessment which will contribute towards their GCSE, focussing on the planning part this week and the practical will be after half term. As a lead into this they have been the reactions of demonstrating various alkaline metals (lithium, sodium and potassium) with water which produced some exciting results - did you know potassium bursts into flame when reacting with water? Unfortunately they can't go any further down the table of group 1 metals as this will most likely burn down our new Science lab.

#### Tom's Tours

This group have studied art appreciation which included art from the romantic period up to modern art, they have discussed the philosophy of Star Wars, and been to

their 'costa salon' and discussed whether love was innate or needed to be learnt. They decided we all had the ability to love despite how bad things had been or were.

# **Literacy Club**

Steve Haines is coming in to discuss the Russian Revolution to support the reading of Animal Farm in Literacy reading club on Friday.

## Moving on

To help decide what they would enjoy doing, we have more work experience placements up and running. Jamie has been off to Trinity St Stephen primary school for work experience where he helps out with the year 1 pupils and Hoppo, Jonesy and Katy have been helping out with the fun rugby themed sessions at Scrummys, with 18 month to 5 year old kids.

Year 11s are busy visiting various college open days, applying and



### GCSE Exam Timetable 2016

interviewing for courses, some even have offers already!

We also had a very informative visit and presentation from Jenny who told us everything we need to know about apprenticeships and some of our pupils have applied for these too.

#### **GCSEs**

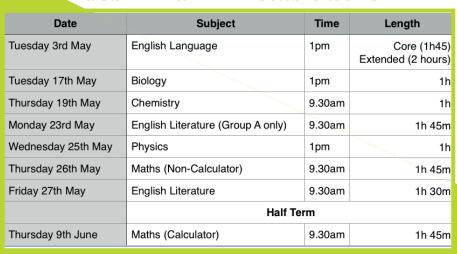
All our year 10s and 11s will be entered for GCSEs in English, Maths and Science this summer and preparations are going well. Those that want a bit extra are coming to our 1500 club on Wednesdays and we are runing revision sessions in Golden Time. To help with exam stress we are also getting in lots of practice in class and as a whole school with our Walking Talking Mocks.

The basic exam timetable is here, some dates for your diaries!

Lastly we have a new addition on the Thursday dog walk.....Ayla the husky x collie puppy:)

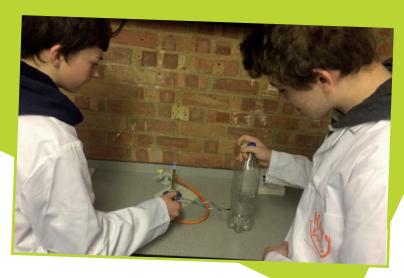












Photos From The Term



Term Dates
19th February
15th - Friday 22nd March
Last Day of Term - Tuesday 22nd March