24th March 2023

THE GREYS GAZETTE

Our Fortnightly Newsletter

Greys pupils have been engaging in a wide range of curriculum activities over the last few weeks. We look forward to updating you on the projects that have been started thanks to some generous donations from local suppliers.

National Science Week



During National Science week Greys Primary hosted a VR science event based upon the human body. Greys Secondary pupils joined pupils at Greys Primary site for an interactive science lesson about the human body, using Virtual Reality headsets to gain a deeper insight into what goes on inside the body. The pupils loved it and said it was nice to do something different.

Students from The Hive, The Grange and Greys Secondary attended to discover the beauty of the human body from a Virtual Reality perspective. They were taken on an exciting ride along the human blood stream, through the small intestine, finishing in the large intestine!

Lots of questions were asked along the way which students were keen answer to show off their knowledge of the human body. Also, they were keen to fire questions back to our visiting scientist which she was happy to answer.

All in all a great event for all the students and adults alike to experience. A special mention must be made of the exemplary behaviour shown by all students throughout the afternoon.

We look forward to our next science event at the end of this term when Professor Nitrate will be visiting The Grange for his Silly Science show!

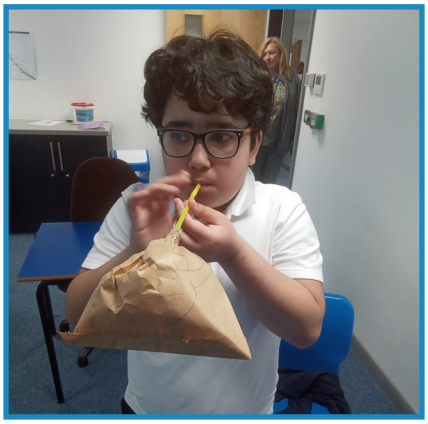
HIVE

Worker Bees class in the HIVE have been learning about safety and the changing body in PSHE. This week's focus was the signs and symptoms of asthma.

We made working lungs out of paper bags and straws to show how lungs inflate and deflate as we breathe. Some of the children shared their comments about the lesson.

Elijah: At the start I thought it was going to be very easy but when I got to making it, it was harder than I thought. Even though it was hard, I enjoyed it very much.
Kane: We were learning about asthma. If you run too much you can be coughing badly. Making the lungs was very fun.
Lucas: It was really gross because you had to breathe into the lungs and I popped mine. I learned that it stops you from breathing and you might die.
Luca: If you run too much you can have an asthma attack and if their lips go grey or blue that shows they can have an asthma attack.
Carly: I thought the activity was quite cool because we got to learn about another medical condition and the symptoms so we know what to do so we can save someone's life.







Arnold

We have some musicians in the making. Arnold class have been jamming in their music lessons on a Friday which is the perfect way to finish the week. Daniel and Leroy have been working on creating their own rap by writing their own lyrics and have even had a chance to record themselves. It is wonderful to see students expressing themselves through music.







Greys Donation

Greys Secondary school was fortunate to receive a generous donation of topsoil and compost from a local supplier, Growing Beds Recycling Services LTD.

This will be used to fill the school planting beds in which fruit, vegetables and herbs will be grown for use in the school kitchen and cookery lessons.



It will also contribute towards Greys annual plant sale in the Summer term.

Malala

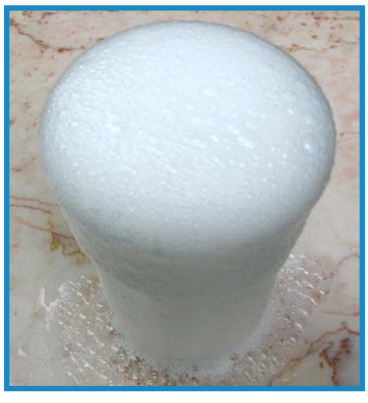
Malala class have been working hard on producing a wooden bench for pupils and staff to use during lunchtimes outside.

All pupils have participated in different parts of the process, including sawing the timbers to length, drilling and bolting the parts together and wood staining the finished product.

Its almost there and should be outside for use before Easter. The wood was kindly donated by Lawsons Builders Merchants, Bedford.



LaChapelle



This week in LaChapelle we have been working well in class and it has meant that students have earnt rewards at break time.

In science we have been doing an experiment where we mixed vinegar and bicarbonate soda which a reaction of foam was made which was really cool. In cookery we have been making chicken pie which was tasty and making these new recipes has been so interesting.

In Art one of our class has been working on their interior design screening, making their own patterns by using inspiration from other artists.
One student said, 'Greys has given me the opportunity to pursue my passion for interior design.'
In PE we have been setting records for the other students to compete against.



Staff News





Life-long Chelsea fan, John Smith and his wife Maureen were given an exclusive tour of Chelsea, the Premier League ground, thanks to a brainwave by his carer from Right at Home, Bedford, Munir Al-Busaidy Picariello. Munir is a Specialist Teaching Assistant at the Greys Primary Site.

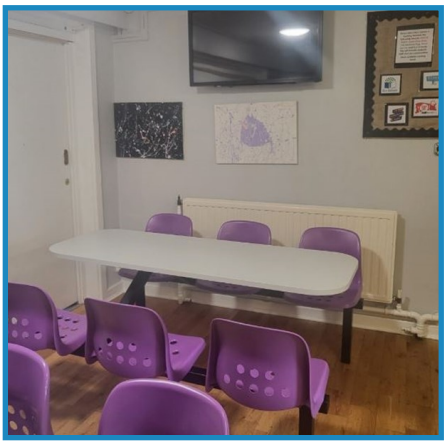
John, a retired Chartered Surveyor, is living with Parkinson's disease which affects his mobility and ability to manage aspects of daily living. Carers from Right at Home, Bedford support him a few times a week, enabling John to remain in his own home.

The idea for the day out came from carer Munir, who, during the World Cup in December, visited John at home voluntarily to watch the England games together.

As John's birthday approached, Right at Home, Bedford care manager, Shelley Lowden, contacted the football club to see if they could arrange a special treat.

The club promptly organised complimentary tickets for John, Maureen and Munir who were all given the full VIP treatment with a private tour of the Stamford Bridge stadium, pitchside, the dressing rooms, trophy room and press areas.

Click to read the full story.



Food for Life Award

Recently Greys secondary held their first meeting for the Food for Life Award.

Lots of items were discussed regarding the canteen, the menu and the new kitchen garden. The students decided that the canteen needed an upgrade to make it a more calming place to eat lunch and socialise.

New tables and chairs were ordered and look so much better, the walls have been painted a calming grey which adds to the overall improvement of the canteen.

LJ from the action group said, 'It looks so much better in the canteen now, it's such an improveme'

The Place Theatre





Diary Dates

Easter Holidays	**Monday 3rd April—Tuesday 18th April 2023**
Pupils Return to School	**Wednesday 19th April 2023**