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Welcome to the Inscape newsletter!

As we edge towards an end to covid-restrictions, our young people are enjoying once again their full timetable of activities and lessons. We're really proud of our exam students, who are finishing off their evidence of work for teachers to accurately assess and report their expected grades to exam boards in mid-June. We're also looking forward to organising some summer trips and our end of year Prom. If your child is in year 9 (as well as some students in year 6), they will have been invited to join our summer school, running for the first time during the first week of the holidays.

I'd like to make you aware of a couple of temporary changes to leadership that will continue into the new school year. In addition to being Head of Service at Inscape House School, I will be taking over as Head of Service at Bridge College, until October/November. To support me with this additional responsibility, Hannah Stollar will be interim Head of School and Kate Donovan has been appointed interim Deputy Head responsible for Upper School. Already we're starting to see the benefit of closer working with another education organisation within The Together Trust, with the start of a project using a little robot to support a few students to improve their engagement, attention and interactions.

We're on track to be able to share new class groups at the start of July with the usual transition information we share. We will also be sending home end of year reports this year for the first time, to nicely summarise your child's successes and areas they may want to prioritise next year.

I wish you all a happy half term holiday.

Sara Bayley, Inscape House School Head Teacher

News stories

Mental Health Week activities

Mental Health Awareness Week took place between 10th and 16th May 2021. The theme of Mental Health Awareness Week this year in Inscape was Nurture and the Environment, with students across school taking part in a variety of activities.

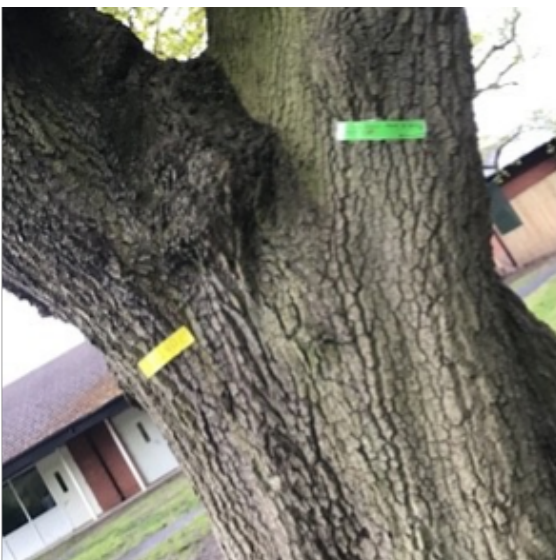
Pastoral ran sessions planting seeds in pots with students (and staff!) to take home or grow in class.

In C1 students grew a range of herbs. They also planed sunflowers which are now nearly ready to go outside. Students are going to sell their herbs in school as part of their enterprise project.

In middle school students planted some seeds around a tree in the grounds and then went on to make bird and squirrel feeding boxes with positive quotes attached. Students said that when staff or students feel upset, sad or angry they can see the beautiful wildlife while being reminded of a nice quote to make them feel better. They also placed quotes around the tree to help people when they might be having a tough time.

And finally, in Jupiter, students spent the week reading 'The Colour Monster' which is all about managing feelings.

Photos from these activities can be seen below...





Art Department - Painting to music

Pupils in Art have been completing a series of lessons inspired by Wassily Kandinsky who painted while listening to Jazz music. He had a condition called Synesthesia which meant that he could see and feel the colours and shapes of the music. The Pupils listened to music and painted what they heard with some amazing results!



STEAM careers day a huge success

For the first time ever, Inscape House School hosted a STEAM Career Day and everyone agreed it was a great success! The purpose of the Day was to expose our young people to a variety of careers, to jumpstart their thinking about their futures, also to think about the core subjects and how they link to their future choices and careers.

All our guest speakers made a massive impact on our pupils, and everyone

took something different away from the event and gave them positive insight into their future careers and choices. The school would like to thank all our guest speakers for their time and enthusiasm that they provided on the day and leading up to the event.

[Read the full story about the STEAM careers day](#)

InCafe now open to the public!

We are happy to announce that the Cafe is open now to dine in for the public.

We still need to maintain social distancing however we can now accommodate 8 people to be seated in the cafe. We have already seen more people having lunch in the Cafe which is fantastic!

We have expanded the menu to include new dishes such as baked feta pasta, Mediterranean style vegetables, chilli con carne and much more.

The students are also back to doing their work experience in the Cafe which is great to see. This includes cooking and baking for the Cafe, serving customers, and doing their qualifications: food hygiene Level 1 and 2.

The Cafe is open on Monday from 11.30 to 2.30, Tuesday to Thursday from 9.00 - 2.30 and on Friday from 8.30 - 2.30!



Notices



Win the chance to be a sponsor at our Virtual Achievement Awards 2021

Do you, or friends and family have a business that you would like to get involved with our Virtual Achievement Awards whilst supporting the people we support? We are holding a raffle with a top prize of being named the sponsor of our Virtual Achievement Awards 2021. Tickets cost just £20 with no limit on the number of tickets which can be purchased.

The winner will get:

- Branding and logo on slides throughout the event
- Social media shout outs
- Branding and logo on event promotional material

All raffle tickets purchased will have their business mentioned on a thank you slide on the night and you will also be invited to watch the virtual awards live on the evening.

The raffle closes on 4th June 2021 and the raffle will be drawn Monday 7th June 2021.

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