# Newsletter



# Spring 1

# Message from the Headteachers

As we finish the first half term of 2023 we want to share a snapshot of the wonderful things our students have been up to as well as key dates for the coming half term. The students have had a

great half term and should be proud of all they have achieved. They will be ready for a rest following what has been a fun, productive and very busy half term.

During the next half term we are looking forward to lots of outdoor learning at Forest School, work experience for our older students, Parent/Carer coffee mornings/afternoons and of course World Book Day on Thursday 8 March.

Why not follow the school on twitter where we share school achievements and useful information, <u>@bentsgreensch</u>

Lastly we would like to thank you for your continued support for the school, our students and our staff. We all wish you a wonderful half term break.

# Aileen Hosty and Laura Rzepinski

# LadBaby No.1 hit

We were so excited when LadBaby came to Gleadless in early December.

Having LadBaby come to visit the School to record the band aid single Food Aid Christmas single 'Do they Know it's Christmas' was an amazing experience for our students.

The song did really well and made number 1 in the official charts! It is a memory we will never forget! Mark and Roxanne were great with the students!

Our thanks to the whole school community for supporting us in keeping the biggest secret ever!



# School allotment at Gleadless

Exciting news at our Gleadless site - we've now got an allotment! It needs quite a bit of work to get to the point of planting but we are hopeful that by September (or earlier) students will be able to use the site to learn horticulture skills and do outdoor learning activities.

Watch this space for further information and to see our allotment come to life!



# World Book Day - Thursday 2 March

At Bents Green School we encourage students to dress up as a character from a book. Please remember that outfits should not be scary or include any scary masks.

We will also hand out the £1 book token which can be used to buy a book or be put towards another book of their choice. For costume ideas and more information please visit <u>www.worldbookday.com</u>





## News from 11CB

As part of our Prep 4 Adulthood and careers and local manufacturing history, we visited Ernest Wright Scissor manufacturers, at West Bar Sheffield. Paul Jacobs the owner and Alex spoke to students about the process, students were able to see



employees in action and were shown the range of scissors from tiny 3inch embroidery up to 12inch tailors scissors. Each student received a tiny scissor pin as a souvenir.



#### 8SW News

8SW students having fun working as a team on Thursday 2 February 2023 in order to reconstruct the 3D cube lent by Robertson Construction as part of Year 8 Careers lessons on Construction. Thank you to Helen Philliskirk for arranging this for the Year 8's!









## News from 9IB

9IB have been working on an ASDAN unit regarding the environment. As part of this we have been improving the raised beds in the Forest Schools area. The class have been visiting Bents Green Nursery to get advice on plants and buying them. Each child has spent around 10 hours helping to improve the school environment and they are really proud of what they have achieved.



# News from P4DS

We have had a great Spring 1 in P4DS. This half term we have been looking at numbers in Maths, practicing counting using objects such as building blocks, Lego and objects in the environment.

In English, our story has been 'Love Monster and The Last Chocolate' and our sensory story has been 'Band Rehearsal.' Both stories have been popular.

In our Independence lessons we have been walking to Whirlow Farm to visit the animals.

In Food Tech we have been making pasta dishes. We have been learning skills such as measuring, weighing, cutting and chopping. We have also practiced our tasting skills!

In My World and Me lessons our topic has been 'Sheffield Steel,' P4DS have been looking at steel and metal objects in and outside of school. We have also enjoyed making our own factories using cardboard and paint.

Here is to Spring 2 and hopefully some warmer weather to go with it!









#### Fantastic opportunity for Bents Green Students

Triple A Performer, are a Sheffield based charity that promote, educate and help casting directors to be inclusive of neurodivergent performers.

After seeing how brilliantly students performed with LadBaby they have asked us to share this information with you in case any Y9 or older students would like to accompany their professional singers in a Showcase concert on Sunday 12 March.

The commitment would be a rehearsal from approx. 2.30 – 4pm and a performance between 7-9pm at Sheffield City Hall.

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If you are interested in your child taking part, please contact them by emailing <u>info.tripleaperformer@gmail.com</u>

Please note this is not a performance organised by Bents Green School, we are sharing the information on their behalf.

# News from 9HP

Students in 9HP went to Pizza Express on Ecclesall Road further developing their cooking skills. They learnt about the history of pizza and Pizza Express and explored many ingredients. He explained how the colours on the Italian flag link to the ingredients





on the margherita pizza. The students made a pizza - pushing the dough into the pan, spreading the passata sauce and adding the mozzarella cheese in a drop action.

Whilst the pizzas were cooking the students developed their Careers knowledge - learning about the

shifts.

different job roles, how long staff had worked there





The students have

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since created a Thank You card which they have franked and posted.

# Upcoming dates

Mon 13 — Fri 17 Feb HALF TERM

Mon 20 Feb, students return to school, all sites

Tues 21 Feb, 10LF Peaks College visit

Thur 23 Feb, Westfield Y10 Parents Evening

Mon 27-Fri 3 Mar, Westfield Y11 Mock Exams

Thurs 2 Mar, World Book Day

Thur 2 Mar, 11CB Peaks College visit

Mon 6 Mar, Exams Open Evening, Y10 upwards, invite will be sent

Thur 9 Mar, Westfield Y8 Parents Evening

Fri 10 Mar, Y9 HPV vaccinations

Tues 14 Mar, STEM Day, Ringinglow & Gleadless

Fri 17 March, Comic Relief Red Nose Day

Wed 22 Mar, BGS Westfield students Y7, Y10 & Y11 Parents Evening

**Wed 22 Mar,** Parents Evening Y7, Y9, Y11 & P16 Ringinglow and Gleadless

**Mon 27 Mar,** Y10 & Y11 Parent/Carer coffee morning, 10am, Gleadless

**Thur 30 Mar**, Y8 Parent Carer coffee afternoon 1.30pm, Ringinglow

Mon 3 - Fri 14 Apr, EASTER BREAK

Mon 17 Apr, All students return to school

**Free School Meals vouchers**—Just a reminder that Sheffield Council have sent letters to those families eligible for FSM with a half term voucher. If you would like help with that code, please call Gleadless site on 0114 2357028 and ask for Juliette who can help you.

#### Sheffield Children's

Sheffield Children's NHS Foundation Trust

Making sense of your senses, virtual therapy online area is now available by clicking on the link below.

Sensory processing difficulties - Sheffield Children's NHS Foundation Trust (sheffieldchildrens.nhs.uk)