



# College Newsletter

## 3.5.2024



Communication skills

### Kate's Corner



Afternoon everyone,



Our



May Day



Morris dancers



were



excellent!

What a fantastic week. My absolute highlight was the Morris dancing on Wednesday for May Day. We were hugely privileged to have two different groups of Morris Dancers to perform at South Site on Wednesday and they were brilliant! The sun was shining, the bells were ringing, and everyone joined in the dancing party spirit. Thank you to our own SSA Amanda Jukes for arranging this. It was one of those moments when I realise, I do have one of the best jobs!



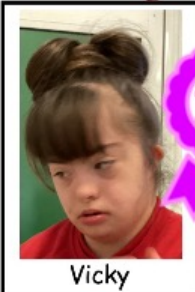
I hope you all have lovely long bank holiday weekends and that the sun comes back out, for at least some of it!

Kate

A16 held the plant sale at West Site on Tuesday. This was a huge success and proceeds will go back into supporting the woodwork and horticulture curriculum. Vinnie, Carolina, Rahmu and Dawid did a great job of setting up the stall and serving customers. Thank You to all the staff who supported the sale.



We have sold all our summer planters but we do have plenty of geranium, lobelia and petunia plug plants ready to be sold on from our polytunnel at college. We are selling 3 plants for £2.00 and are taking orders through the college. In addition, we have a selection of high-quality bug hotels and wooden planters for sale, made by our students this year. If you would like to know more or to place an order please contact either [annemariwright@greatoaks.school](mailto:annemariwright@greatoaks.school) or [tomneusinger@greatoaks.school](mailto:tomneusinger@greatoaks.school)



Vicky



Matthew

Skills Builder Challenge

Listening

Use good listening skills.

Challenge yourself to listen actively to someone. This means you should try to understand what the person is saying, be able to respond and maybe even reflect on what was said.

It could be a family member, friend or even a teacher.

Once you have listened, tell someone else what that person told you.

Challenge: reflect on why active listening is important.



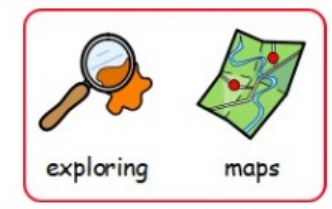
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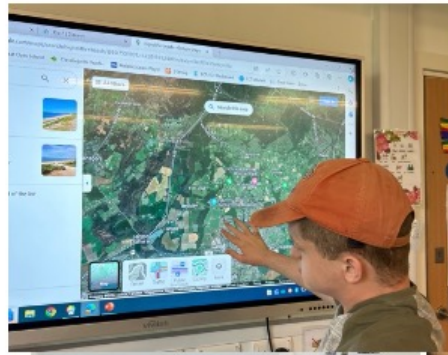
M16 have been using our cooking skills to make cheese and ham turnovers. We've chopped, weighed and whisked.



D16 have been finding out about the facilities within the community and local area this week. We enjoyed exploring google maps on the whiteboard in computing. We have also spoken about maps and discussed the different things you can see on a map of Southampton.



F16 enjoyed welcoming in Summer by watching and joining in with the Morris Dancers and the rest of the college. Dihein liked being able to wave the handkerchiefs and Freddie was excited to dance with the group. We have also continued exploring new creative activities and enjoyed making symmetrical butterflies to add to our Spring wall.



**Diary Dates**  
 Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>  
 May 2024  
 INSET Day