

## **NEWSLETTER**

**Endeavour Academy Newsletter** 

#### **Message From The Principal**



Dear Parents and Carers,

Endeavour Academy had another busy term - Summer term is usually filled with planning and preparation for our Leavers Ball, transition planning and lots of celebration.

Our Leavers Ball is taking place on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July and our young people were fully involved in planning and preparing for this event. Our young people chose the colour, theme, food, created invites whilst making sure we follow all COVID19 regulations. They are really happy that the event can go ahead and they will be able to celebrate their life at Endeavour. This year we have 6 young people leaving 3 of which have been with us since the Academy opened in September 2014 and also attended respite provision. We are really looking forward to celebrating their achievements. They have all done so well and they will be missed greatly.





In June we have finally managed to officially open 'Joseph's music corner' in the memory of Joseph, who passed away unexpectedly two years ago. His family came to the celebration and Joseph's sister cut the ribbon. Endeavour Academy came together to celebrate Joseph's life. Joseph - we know you would have loved the Corner, thank you.

The school hall had a new addition to our sensory circuit and our rugged wall has never been off since its arrival!

While most of you are planning to take some well-deserved rest over the summer holiday, Endeavour House will continue to provide the amazing support for our residential and respite young people. The preparation for the swing and we are very excited about the possibilities the post restriction life might bring to our young people.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone back on the 3rd September.

#### Michaela



## TERM DATES 2021/2022

Inset Days: 1st and 2nd September

School Starts: 3rd September

Half Term: W/C 25th October

Christmas: 20 December to 4th January

#### **Our new Staff**

Luke and Matthew have joined the school team as our new Facilities Team!

#### **Upcoming events**











#### TWITTER & FACEBOOK

We often tweet things that happen at Endeavour,or when out and about in the community. Please follow us on Twitter @ MATEndeavour ac to see some of our tweets.

#### A few of our school activities

#### Leavers ball

We held our Leavers ball on the 15th July and it was amazing to get together with family and friends to give this years' leavers their send off! It was a wonderful night filled with smiles, laughter and the odd teary moment. We wish all of our leavers the very best of luck as they journey onto the next chapter of their lives.



#### Sports day

We held Sports Day on the 20th July. It was a day filled with games, ice cream, hotdogs and sunshine! All the classes had so much fun. Well done Pato for organising such a fun day!







Circle

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I visited Waddesdon with my friends Angel and Mizan.







Alex is playing football.







Chris is listening to music.









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## Star Class

Well done to all the students of staff class. This could have been a challenging year with restrictions effecting our usual routines and having to have periods of self-isolation, but the students have coped remarkably well. The effort and resilience of the star class staff team have been key to ensure the students had a stable and calm learning environment. The staff have continually challenged the students in their learning and the students have responded remarkably well, developing in all areas of their school life. We have seen improvements in social skills, independence and students' academic skills. Moreover, despite the challenges that the students have faced, their well being has always been something that we have focussed on, so students still went out on walks in the community, received sensory input, had opportunities to relax and enjoyed great interactions during play time. Congratulations to the students and staff for a great school year. We look forward to the next one.









## Triangle Class

It has been an exceptionally busy year in Triangle class and as we stop and look back we can see how well our young people have coped with the many changes imposed by Covid. They have all grown in so many ways but the biggest difference is that they are now aware of their peers and choosing to engage in play and work activities alongside each other. We look forward to supporting them to continue to develop these social skills in September but in the meantime everyone in Triangle class wishes you all a happy, relaxing summer.



























































This term in Square class we have been developing our career-based skills.

All students in Square class have been working incredibly hard to develop a class-based enterprise project.

This includes creating beautiful handmade cards for all occasions with stamp and postage also included.

All cards are created with a variety of different art and craft resources which can also be scented with lavender if preferred.

All cards are one of a kind

## Square Class

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Also, in Square class we have been very excited to be able to start to resume accessing the community. This has enabled us to partially resume hydro therapy sessions, access the trampoline park, shopping and café visits whilst remaining to follow current guidelines. All students this year have remained focused and extremely resilient to all current guidelines/changes. We continue to be so proud of our young people and for all of their achievements this academic year.

I would also just like to say a huge THANK YOU to all of the staff in Square class, across the school and house for the phenomenal level of commitment, passion and care.

We Wish You All A Safe and Enjoyable Summer!!! Square Class









## After School Club

It's great to see both our young people & staff so eager to get outside & enjoy the outdoor areas this Summer. I've seen them exploring new things & really engaging with each other we are really blessed to have these lovely spaces & it is so beneficial for our young peoples well-being.

We are still doing other things like Arts & Crafts, Sensory play ,Reading & story videos, Cooking & food preparation ,Games in the hall,

Construction & more......

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Thankyou for all your support this term ,enjoy the Summer & we will see you in the new term

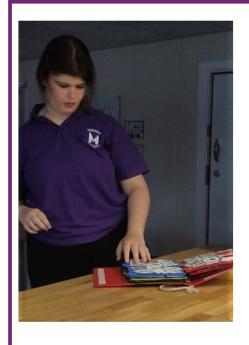
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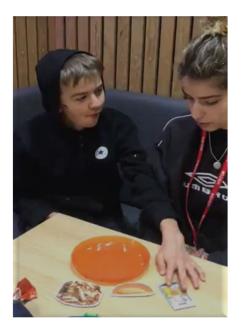
Kay Sage (After school co-ordinator)







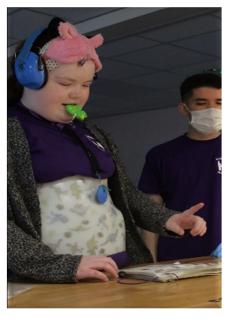








At Endeavour Academy, we strongly believe that everybody deserves a voice. That is why we value each student's own method of communication, adapted to their needs. These systems are periodically reviewed by ongoing observations and meetings with the class teams. This helps us to maintain a clear picture of how students use their devices. We can modify the systems or try alternatives to suit the purpose of communication, to maximize every opportunity the young person has to communicate and interact within the environment.



























Summer is here and we have been out during all these amazing and sunny days that we have had. We have enjoyed lots of outdoor activities.

After one and half years in the position and nearly eight years at Endeavour, we are really sad to say goodbye to our Head of Care, Raul. We will miss you!



### Next Academic Year term Dates

Spring Term: 69 days

Summer Term: 53 days

Consultation Oxfordshire 2021/22 Academic Calendar

