

NEWSLETTER

Endeavour Academy Newsletter



Michaela Soporova - Principal

For this terms newsletter I thought I would let the photos do the talking!

Children In Need



Circle and Star class have decorated their doors for Children In Need day.

Outdoor fun

We have been making use of being able to go different places. We often have trips out to our local parks and shops.

The highlight of these came when we went to Thomley. It was lovely to see our young people interacting with children from other schools. Andrew had a great time, he loved showing children around.



New spaces and Equipment

We have some great outdoor spaces for the young people to use. We recently unveiled the outdoor music area.

We have had some new bikes delivered which the young people have



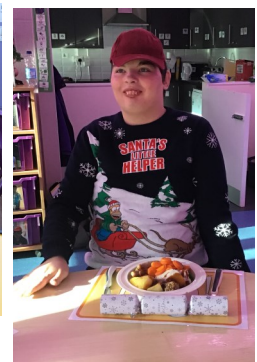
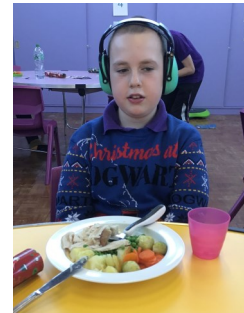
Endeavour House



Endeavour House has had some changes over the summer. With lots of walls now covered in art. This wall is textured so the young people can have interactive fun with it.

Christmas Time

Christmas jumper day and Christmas dinner at Endeavour. Helen did a fantastic job with the food and the day was enjoyed by all!



I would like to wish a very merry Christmas and a happy new year to you all!

Michaela

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Message From The Deputy Principal



My first term as Deputy Principal; September seems like a long time ago and since then I have been very much welcomed into the Endeavour family.

I have fully immersed myself in the day to day events within the school. I have enjoyed working in all 4 classes, some highlights for me include DofE, Dance sessions, Yoga and sensory stories. The students have demonstrated resilience and have been a joy to work with. I would like to take the opportunity to thank all the staff publicly as they are an amazing group of people, who always put the students first.



My role is focused around quality of education and I am honestly excited by the personalised curriculum and how we deliver this. I have been fortunate to be involved in recruitment of quality staff to the school and I am looking forward to their start dates.

It has been a pleasure getting to know the parents and carers of our young people and I am keen to develop these relationships in the new year.

I would like to wish you all a wonderful break over the festive period and a happy new year.

Ash



TERM DATES 2022

04/01/2022-17/02/2021

28/02/2022-08/04/2022

25/04/2022-27/05/2022

06/06/2022-20/07/2022

Our new Staff

School

Charlotte and Heather

House

Helen, Winnie, Bethany, Angelique
and Emmanuel

Welcome all !

Upcoming events



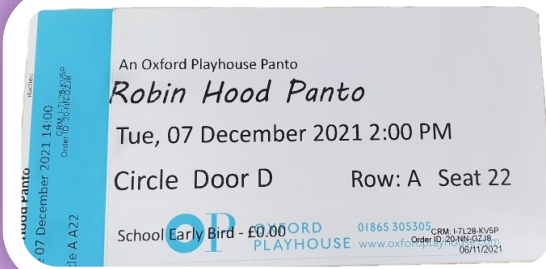
TWITTER & FACEBOOK

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

Christmas Panto

On the 7th December a group of our students went to the Playhouse in Oxford City Centre to see the Robin Hood panto. The trip was a huge success with the students really enjoying the show and the free ice cream and goodie bags went down a treat!



Christmas Market

We had so much fun at our Christmas Market with great food and games. It was also really lovely to see our students families attend!



Christmas Market 2021





Hugo is shopping



Circle



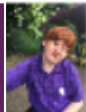
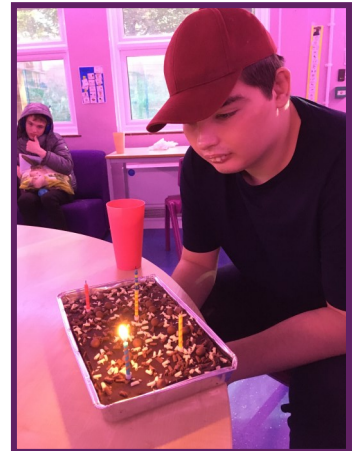
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Alex's Birthday



Andrew is at the cafe



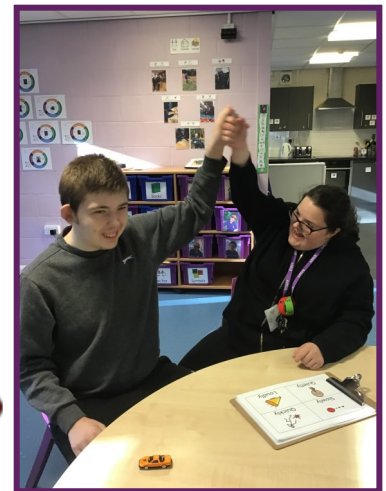
Kieran is working at the farm



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John is learning fast & slow



Leo is making boxes at the farm



Ashley is making a Christmas card



Star Class

In star class, we have had a very lovely term, working on all our AQAs, making Christmas crafts and cards. We also had an amazing time at the pantomime with lots of dancing and laughter.

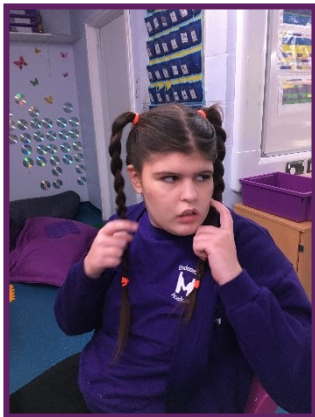
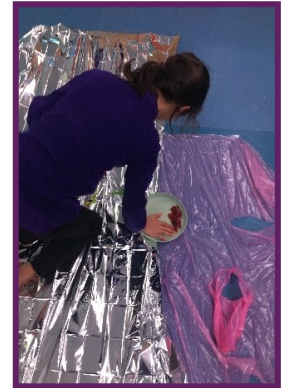
We would like to wish all our students, colleagues and parents a very merry Christmas and a prosperous new year filled with hope and accomplishments.



Triangle Class

Triangle Class Newsletter

In Triangle class we are so proud of our students who have continued to work incredibly hard to develop and learn skills in a variety of areas.



From all members of the Triangle team we would like to wish all a safe and Happy Holiday!

Square Class

Square class have had a great term. We have made good progress in many areas of the curriculum. We have learnt about our emotions and how to express them. Some of the students have been using word banks or a glossary to write sentences. We have also been preparing for Christmas, making decorations, gifts and things to eat. The students have had a lot of fun!



Occupational Therapy

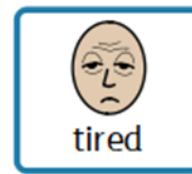
ZONES OF REGULATION

This term we have had a huge focus on Zones of Regulation. The students have been gaining consistency in checking in every morning and throughout the day and many students are becoming more accurate in identifying their own emotions!

We are noticing that some students are beginning to recognize when they are feeling different emotions and sometimes even able to choose a tool to help to regulate themselves. We know that self regulation is a huge goal for many of our students and something we continually work on throughout the day across house and school.

With some students (those who are ready) we are now able to move forward in creating their personalized Zone's toolkits in which they will work on with Nicola and myself. Some families have been asked to provide feedback on what they notice helps their child when they feel different emotions throughout the day.

There is free online training available about the Zones, where you can find out more information



RESEARCH

We are in the process of recruiting for an exciting study through the University of Reading, looking at sensory reactivity and mental health. Our students are often omitted from research, and it is exciting to be involved, as we all know the link between sensory processing and mental health – though this is yet to be proven in research. This is focused on students aged 13-17 years, and you have the option of participating directly in the survey & interview (takes about 45 mins), or providing consent Endeavour staff to complete the research on your behalf. Please see below for more information. If you know other families who may be interested please share!

JOIN OUR SENSORY STUDY!



AIMS

To explore the relationship between sensory symptoms and mood in autistic teenagers.

WHO

This study is looking for:

- Autistic teenagers (13-17yrs) who use verbal communication; or
- Parents or carers of autistic teenagers who use few to no words (less than 500 words)

PROCEDURE

We will explore how our responses to sensory stimuli (e.g. lights, sounds and touch) can impact on the way we feel.

The study involves:

- 1) An online survey
- 2) An online interview

The study will take approximately 1 hour. Participants can have a support person with them.

Participants will receive £10 for their time, and go in the draw to win £50.

This study has been reviewed by the University Research Ethics Committee and has been given favourable ethical opinion for conduct.

To get involved contact Tim Rossow:
t.w.l.rossow@pgr.reading.ac.uk



After School Club

Hi everyone,



Our young people enjoy all sorts of activities at ASC. Our numbers have grown this term especially on Thursday so we all like to work in small groups and its been lovely to see the students building peer friendships

Children in need

We had children in need day where we coloured in and cut out our Pudsey bears which we displayed around the school and our young people did word searches and made masks



Christmas fun

Who can believe it's nearly Christmas how fast has this year gone! I love this time of year so we've been very busy having lots of fun making Christmas decorations to display around the school and to take home.

From everyone at ASC to all our families have a lovely Christmas and new year and we will see you in 2022



MacIntyre Academies Endeavour House



Welcome, Helen!

We have recently had the pleasure of having Helen Taylor joining our team as our new Head of Care. We are all thrilled to have someone with such a breadth of experience and knowledge! Helen has been equally delighted to get to know each of the young people!

The children and young people have been quite involved in making choices around decorating the house and their bedrooms, now that renovations have completed. The bedrooms all have new artwork and the house has also been getting decorated in time for Christmas. Some of our residents went shopping and helped to choose the holiday decorations. They all enjoyed putting baubles and ornaments on the tree in the lounge. The young people are also choosing their menu for Christmas Dinner, which will be a big roast, as always. Of course, Christmas isn't complete without lots of treats, which will be included on the menu for all to choose as well.



We also recently had the choir from the nearby St. Mary's Church grace us with their gorgeous voices, when they came to sing carols for Endeavour House. The young people came out to listen and were quite excited by their private concert.

Consultation Oxfordshire 2021/22 Academic Calendar

Pupil Days

Bank holidays

School holidays

Proposed inset day - 4 more inset days can be set by the schools

Sep-21						
Mon		6	13	20	27	
Tue		7	14	21	28	
Wed		1	8	15	22	29
Thu		2	9	16	23	30
Fri		3	10	17	24	
Sat	4	11	18	25		
Sun	5	12	19	26		

Oct-21						
Mon		4	11	18	25	
Tue		5	12	19	26	
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Nov-21						
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Jan-22						
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Feb-22						
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Mar-22						
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Apr-22						
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May-22						
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Jul-22						
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Aug-22						
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Students: 190 days
Teachers: 195 days

Pupil days shown include four to be selected by schools as additional INSET days
Teacher working days include five INSET days

Autumn Term: 73 days
Spring Term: 69 days
Summer Term: 53 days

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Term Dates