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Cyber-Bullying— What can you do?

There has been an increasing amount of cyber-bullying happening between students on Facebook. While it is banned at school, students use the site in their own time. Facebook can be a great way to chat with friends, but its use needs to be monitored by parents. On the back of this newsletter are some tips you can share with your child about using the internet safely.

Some More Work Experience Photos.













A word from the Head Teacher

Our New Extension

Our new extension is almost finished!!! Have a look at the photo's below. We are planning an opening event on the morning of Monday, March, $15^{th.}$. Further details to follow.

Building Schools for the Future

The Local Authority are organising a 'Building Schools for the Future' information evening at Hendon Town Hall between 7pm and 8.30pm on Monday, 1st March for parents /carers. The meeting will inform parents of future plans and involve them in a round table discussion on the next decade of secondary education in the borough. As we are one of the schools who will benefit from this initiative, we will be holding our own consultation meetings in the near future.



Free Tickets for Young People Under 26

The Arts depot is promoting a free ticket scheme for young people under 26. A Night Less Ordinary is an Arts Council England Scheme in association with Metro, which entitles anyone under the age of 26 to claim free tickets to theatre, dance, music and spoken word performances at the Arts depot. Simply select a performance from the qualifying events list on the Arts depot website and call the Box Office to book.

Please visit www.artsdepot.co.uk for further details or call 020 8369 5454.

Lynda Walker







News from Around the School

L2,3,4 & 5 had fantastic expressive music sessions with David this week. They played along to some of their favourite songs. Pupils from L4 have also been practising giving compliments, using the social skills puppets. You are all fantastic!

S6 would like to welcome Leila and Andrew to our class. Both have settled in nicely and it has been great to see lots of the friendship skills we have been practising in action. Alistair won our award this week for some fantastic conversational skills, finding out what Vivek had been up to in the holidays. Natasha completed some fantastic work on Romeo and Juliet. Well done Tasha!

S8 this week wrote letters to people who helped them during their work experience week. We have been making our cups of tea at snack -time as it warms us up in this cold weather. We visited the library on Tuesday and borrowed some books we liked. Students in cooking lesson took their food to be tasted by teachers and other members of staff. We have started to get prepared for our next trip to The Globe theatre.

S4 have enjoyed looking at each other's photo's and videos from half term. We are starting to work on making our own booklet about our days and things we like doing.

S3 have been learning about the history of British railways. On Tuesday, they visited the Brunel Museum in London. An actor dressed as Isambard Kingdom Brunel met them and took them for a walk along the river Thames and explained to the class what the river looked like in 1840. He showed them how he built his first tunnel under the Thames and he showed them his other inventions inside his museum.







What is Cyber-bullying?

Cyber-bullying is when a person, or a group of people, uses the internet, mobile 'phones or other digital technologies to threaten, tease or abuse someone. It's against the law to bully someone in this way and if someone is being mean or threatening you, something can be done to stop them



No-one has the right to make you feel like this. It might seem that there is no way to make it stop, but there are things that you can do to prevent it from happening or make it stop.



- Talk to someone you trust like a parent or teacher. They can help you to sort it out.



- Don't reply to any messages you receive, as this may encourage the bullies.



- Keep a copy of the abusive emails, texts or messages that you receive and when they were sent to you.



- Never give out any personal details on the internet, such as your real name, address, age or 'phone number. Even telling someone which school you go to can help them find out information about you.



- Change your online nicknames or user ID to something different.

