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MESSAGE FROM STUART SMITH, EXECUTIVE HEADTEACHER

As we approach the Easter break I would like to say a **big well done to our students** who continue to work hard and contribute to life at Kemnal. These newsletters over the year really demonstrate the opportunities and achievements that our students are having inside and outside of the classroom.

Thank you parents and carers for your support, it makes such a difference and it is really appreciated. In particular, the new policy around mobile phones, it has made a real difference to the atmosphere around the school. Also a special mention to our Y11 students, please continue with your independent studies over the Easter and take the opportunity of attending subject specific intervention sessions over the holiday. Your reward will come on Results Day.

On behalf of the governors, SLT and our amazing staff, all that remains is to wish you and your family a restful break.

Seven KS3 students participated in a **full day event discussing issues** that affect young people living and going to school in Bromley. Students participated in a range of events and created action plans and strategies.





We welcomed 3 groups of Y6 students from Gray's Farm, Leesons & Poverest to enrich their curriculum using our technology and computing equipment. They played around with our Edison robots, having to scan barcodes to activate different pre-set programs and cutting out shapes of their choice to turn into small keyrings that they could take home with them. They were all brilliantly behaved and did their respective school proud.





BIGGEST EVER FOOTBALL SESSION

Coinciding with International Women's Day, we were one of the 5000 schools across England to take part in the **FA and Barclays' third Biggest Ever Football Session**, as part of the Let Girls Play campaign. 6 teams **competed in a football tournament**, there was lots of fun had by all. It was topped off with goodies from England Football and Easter egg prizes! The team **Sausage Rolls were victorious**, winning all of their games. Big well done to all the other teams involved - OG's, Arsenal Academy, 4 Man Step, Sweet Sugar Dumplings and Jolly Ranchers.







Photo of our Bike Workshop students giving back the bikes they have fixed.



Photo from Y10 trip to Goldsmiths University.



Photos from a Y7 Science lesson where they created parts of a flower posters.



We hosted visitors from the **Veolia Sustainable Schools team** to provide our school with our very own orchard. Miss Sydney Townsend, our HLTA and Horticultural Club leader had organised for **3 apple trees & 2 pear trees** to be donated as part of Veolia's Schools Orchard programme. 5 students – **H Cotman (9), L Hasani (9), S Wallace (8), E Ustusoy (8) and L Armitage (7)** each dug and planted their own fruit tree, ably assisted by Councillor Will Rowlands. The students were able to explain the benefits of fruit trees for both local areas and on a wider, global scale as a way of combating climate change. The fruit trees will hopefully be **providing their first fruit in about 3 years' time** and I very much look forward to my first home-grown apple pie.



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Y7 PERFORMANCE



This term during drama lessons, Y7 have been working extremely hard to put on a performance. They have been rehearsing their parts during lessons, with each class taking on a classic fairy tale with a twist. On Tuesday 26th March, all of Y7 performed their play to an audience of Y5 students which was a huge success. The stage was decorated as a fairy tale kingdom (big thanks to all the staff and students who helped create such a wonderful set!) and we all had a magical morning!

Miss Barnes



We had our Easterthemed Bake-Off, well done to all the students who took part - all the cakes looked delicious! Congratulations to the winners of Best Taste – E Ellsworth & I Street (7), Best Effort – M Barnes (7) & S Lemboye (8) & Best **Appearance Armitage (7)!** A thank you also to all the staff who came along to judge the student's amazing bakes!

For the last day of term, students could **wear an item of green**, along with their school uniform, to support Neuro diversity and to **raise funds for CASPA**, our local charity who support all ages of non neurotypical people. We manage to raise over £75 at today's count with more donations on the way!



COMMUNITY AUTISTIC SUPPORT, PRIDE & ADVOCACY

BAUGH HOUSE VISITS

Our students were exceptional in their 2 performances at Baugh House Care Centre. Their dancing, singing and acting brought a huge amount of fun, laughter and happiness to the residents. After the students performed, we all had a lovely party atmosphere dancing around to a selection of ABBA songs - the residents who were able to get up and dance, joined in. Whilst the others sang along, clapped, smiled or just rocked from side to side on their chairs.

Ms Howard













Friday 22 March was **the First Give final** culminating in two terms of hard work. Students in Y9, with their form tutor during PSHE lessons, learnt about social issues in their communities and chose the issues which are important to them.

The four charities represented this year were JusB, CASPA Autism Online, Forget Me Not Cafe and Children Heard and Seen. Councillor for St Paul's Cray Ward, Chris Price, Ms Morley and Mrs Cooper were on the judging panel and after four outstanding presentations, the winning class 9KR (E Crawford, I Porteous, K Balla & J Oloko) won the First Give grant of £1,000 for their chosen charity, Forget Me Not Cafe.

KEY DATES:

- ❖ 28th March to 6th April Ski Trip
- ❖ 15th April First Day of Term 5
- ❖ 16th April Year 9 Options Evening
- ❖ 26th to 28th April KS3 PGL Trip
- ❖ 14th May Y8 Vaccinations



