



Parents Meeting

Thursday 7th July 2016

Communication, Self-help Skills, Independence

In 2015/16 Our Ambitions Were:



- Further develop our website ✓
- Increase parent training sessions: ELKLAN, Reading, Online Safety ✓
- Develop our holiday programmes ✓
- Employ a CAMHS worker one day a week ✓
- Recruit an Occupational Therapist ✗
- Enhance our enterprise partnerships ✓

Speech & Language Therapy



- The storytelling programme ran for four days during the first week of the summer
- Insert dates etc holidays



Work Experience



- 25 pupils have had external selling opportunities
- 21 pupils have had internal work experience semi-regularly
- 44 pupils have had work experience at Highshore Events
- 15 pupils have had external work experience for a flexible length of time to suit employers
- 2 pupils have accepted part-time paid jobs
- Held two Business Networking lunches to increase opportunities for our pupils

Education, Health & Care Plans



- Introduced this year – replaces Statements
- 25 completed so far at Highshore
- Feedback from the Local Authority is that our plans are of a very high standard
- 40 parents attended a meeting in Autumn Term
There will be another meeting in September

Sixth Form

- Five classes this year
- 4 pupils will join us from other schools in September
- Almost all pupils now staying until 19 years old
- Our focus is on education, enterprise and employment



Our Leavers

- **Nine pupils in year 14:** Five going on to a supported provision, two going on to college and one to a residential provision
- **Two pupils in year 12:** Three pupils going on to college
- **Two pupils in year 11:** One moving back to own borough and one going on to college



Enterprise Education

- All sixth form pupils spend one day a week on Enterprise Education
- From Sept 15 years 10 and 11 have had a double lesson of enterprise each week
- Teaches pupils that work achieves money, which enables them to buy things
- Great success selling our products – e.g. at Borough Market, Camberwell Arts Fair
- Online Twitter site - @MadeAtHighshore
Over 1,200 followers



Friendship Fortnight - February



- School Council renewed the Friendship Charter
- Concentrated on Pupil Voice and Online Safety
- Older pupils acted as playground friends
- Special friendship post
- Friendship sing-along in the atrium



Citizenship –



- Highshore General Election
- Five pupils chosen to represent political parties and prepared election broadcasts
- Councillor Vicky Mills advised pupils on election strategy
- All pupils able to vote - almost all pupils voted
- Older pupils acted as election officers
- Picked up by the Guardian Newspaper



Business Links Day - February

- Every pupil visited a workplace or place of business – including:
 - Resonance FM
 - Ikea
 - The Bank of England Museum
 - Borough Market
 - Barclays Bank
 - Canary Wharf
 - Lewisham Shopping Centre
 - Stockwell Bus Garage
 - The Houses of Parliament
 - RBS

This led to some work shadowing opportunities at RBS.



World Book Day – March



- This year there was a focus on poetry with recorded readings from staff members
- Classroom doors were decorated with a book theme and class book reviews displayed
- Pupils dressed as their favourite book character
- Special assembly where the World Book Day cake was unveiled
- Prizes for best costumes and best book reviews
- Storytelling throughout the afternoon



Olympic Day- June

- This years sports day was Olympics themed.
- With opening and closing ceremonies with music from drumming club and Kinetika Bloco.
- Classes grouped into competing continents and processed with banners and flags
- Events took place in and around the school building
- With everyone receiving medals



Literacy Week - June



- Based around the theme of 'Dickens and the Victorians'
- Events included:
 - Storyteller
 - Visits to Tate Britain
 - Visit to Dickens World
 - Victorian day (dressing up)
 - Victorian games in playground
 - Victorian snacks at break
 - Victorian Music Hall
 - Special assemblies



Celebrating Achievement



Jack Petchey Award

- Nine pupils received Petchey awards this school year
- Celebration in June at the Southbank Centre
- Total of 30 Petchey award winners in school
- Two members of staff have received Leaders awards

Pupil of the Term

- 42 pupils received 'Pupil of the Term' awards

Attendance Awards

- At the time of writing, 14 pupils are eligible to receive 100% attendance awards



School Awards

- Sophia Stewart received the Southwark Council Parent & Carer Award
- Kathy Black and Ali Naqvi received Enterprise Grants from Southwark
 - Kathy - £335
 - Ali - £750
- Julia Manning received grant from Veolia £500 for her Enterprise Education project



Our New Building



- We have been here over a year
- The atrium has proved a flexible space
- Dedicated sports hall means we can run sensory circuits in the mornings
- Drama studio can accommodate visiting storytellers and sing-and-sign
- Soft play and sensory rooms are well used
- We continue to develop the playground space





Film Club – new this school year

- Monthly film screening
- Older pupils sell refreshments as part of Enterprise Education
- Attendance around 40 pupils each film
- Suggestions for films come through School Council



Parent Training & Meetings



- eSafety
- ICT
- EHCP
- Coffee mornings with speakers
- Parent and governor coffee morning (Autumn Term)

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We Need Your Support



- Parental survey
- Parent View
- Coffee Mornings
- Resource-making Group
- Volunteering on Theme Days
- Your Connections
- Sign up to our Twitter sites - @MadeAtHighshore and @HighshoreSchool
- How would you like to get involved?

