



SECOND CHANCES. STRONG FUTURES.



**CHRISTMAS LUNCH THURSDAY
18TH DECEMBER**

We are excited to invite all students to join us for a warm and festive celebration before the holiday break.

Students are welcome to wear their own clothes, including a festive jumper if they wish.

Christmas lunch is FREE for all students.

Optional donation: £1

All funds will be donated to Crisis, supporting people experiencing homelessness.

Your support helps ensure everyone has access to warmth, safety and dignity this winter.



**END OF TERM HOUSE
COMPETITION 19TH DECEMBER**

Our House Competition Day is back!
Students will take part in a series of fun, friendly challenges, including:

- Handball
- Table Tennis
- Chess
- Spelling Bee
- Maths Bee

Dress Code:

Students may wear black own-clothes, with at least one item in their house colour.

Optional Donation: £1

All proceeds support the Crisis Christmas Appeal, aligned with our Rights Respecting School values of safety, shelter, and dignity for all.

STAR STUDENTS - CELEBRATING SUCCESS

Congratulations to our Star Students for consistently demonstrating:

- Outstanding behaviour
- Excellent attendance
- A positive attitude towards learning

We are incredibly proud of your achievements and the example you set for others.

Autumn Term 1	AP	SEMH
Attendance	Darnell Kenton Andy Ortega Benjamin Foster- Penado Pouvoir Katumuako	Maison Charles-Graham Malakhi Campell Blades-Senior Hugo Barbosa Jake Ansett
Behaviour	Ayuub Yoonis Zach Diedrick-Adams Tyler Charles Cavani Rose Javani Samuels	Mason Ticknel-Smith Nuno Edwards Jake Anset Junayd Babola

OUTSTANDING EXAM RESULTS

Our students achieved excellent results this year. Well done to all!

AP Students

- 58.3% achieved five or more qualifications
- 75% achieved Level 2 Functional Skills
- 83% achieved Level 1 or above in English
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SEMH Students

- 57.1% achieved five GCSEs (9–1) or equivalent
- GCSE Maths passes rose from 28.6% to 57.1%
- 71% achieved Level 1 or above in English

These results reflect the hard work of students and the dedication of our staff.



Proud to support
The National Year
of Reading 2026.

**GO
ALL
IN.**

FUNDRAISING FOR CRISIS HELPING SOMEONE IN NEED

“Fundraising for Crisis helps protect Article 27 **everyone’s right to a safe home, warmth, and a decent standard of living.**”

“Supporting Crisis helps protect the right to life (Article 6) **by ensuring people experiencing homelessness have safety, dignity and a chance for a better future.**”



RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL SILVER AWARD ACHIEVED

We are proud to announce that Evolve Academy has been awarded the UNICEF Silver Rights Respecting Schools Award.

This achievement reflects our academy's commitment to embedding children's rights throughout the school community.

A special thank you to Hugo, whose dedication played a key role in helping us secure this award.



Bullying

The repetitive, intentional hurting of one person or a group by another person or group where the relationship involves an imbalance of power.

ANTIBULLYING WEEK - THE POWER FOR GOOD

We recently celebrated Anti-Bullying Week, focusing on kindness, respect, and speaking up. Students joined in activities such as:

- Class discussions and workshops on recognizing and responding to bullying
- Kindness challenges
- Odd Socks Day to celebrate individuality

We encourage families to talk about kindness at home and remind children to speak up if they ever see or experience bullying. Together, we can help create a safer, more supportive school community.

VISIT FROM LOCAL MP - HELEN HAYS

We were delighted to welcome Helen Hayes, MP for Dulwich and West Norwood, to the Academy.

She met with staff and students, toured classrooms, and praised:

- Our strong support systems
- Impressive GCSE outcomes
- The pathways we build for students returning to mainstream education

Her visit was a wonderful opportunity to showcase the fantastic work happening across the Academy.



Designated Safeguarding Lead:

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SAFEGUARDING AT EVOLVE ACADEMY

Safeguarding children is everyone's responsibility.

Please remain attentive to:

- Sudden behaviour changes
- Emotional distress
- Concerns about online safety
- Signs of neglect or bullying

If you ever have a concern:

- ✓ Speak to a trained adult immediately
- ✓ Provide clear and factual information
- ✓ Complete a safeguarding referral if required



NUMBER CONFIDENCE - MONEY MATTERS

This term, students explored practical numeracy skills to build confidence and independence.

Topics included:

- Budgeting
- Saving
- Understanding household bills
- Making informed financial decisions

Developing confidence with numbers is a vital life skill, and our students engaged brilliantly throughout the week.

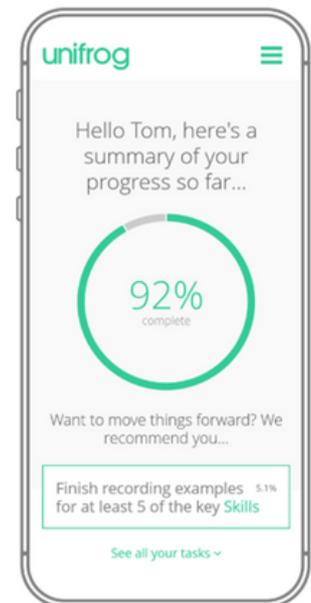
UNIFROG - SUPPORTING FUTURE PATHWAYS

We encourage all parents and carers to explore Unifrog alongside their child.

Unifrog provides:

- CV builder tools
- Post-16 and Post-18 options
- Apprenticeship listings
- Employer events
- Training and skills courses

It's a valuable tool for planning next steps in education and future careers.



Staying Safe Online – The 4 Cs of Online Safety

Learning how to stay smart, kind, and safe online



STAYING SAFE ONLINE

Kings Trust Workshops

Students took part in interactive workshops focused on:

- Online safety
- Recognizing unsafe digital behaviour
- Protecting personal information
- Being responsible digital citizens

These sessions help equip our young people to navigate the online world safely.

CINEMA TRIP



Philomena is a moving drama inspired by true events. The film explores the difficult history of forced adoptions with great sensitivity, highlighting themes of hope, dignity, and reconciliation. Students responded strongly to the emotional journey and meaningful messages woven throughout the story.

- **Jake:** "I liked the emotional feeling that the film gave me."
- **Maison:** "I liked the travelling part the most."
- **Alysia:** "I liked it when she forgave the lady."
- **RJ:** "It was so sad when she realized her son had died."
- **JA:** "It made us feel emotional while still having a good ending."

The film prompted thoughtful discussion and offered students a chance to reflect on empathy, forgiveness, and the power of resilience.

TRIP TO CRYSTAL PALACE FOOTBALL STADIUM

Our SEMH students enjoyed an unforgettable visit to Crystal Palace Football Ground.

Student Feedback:

"Seeing the stadium up close felt unreal!" – **Kayden**

"It was a lovely trip." – **Mason**



WEST NORWOOD LIBRARY VISIT

As part of our ongoing commitment to encourage independent reading and to help students make full use of local learning resources, students from Evolve visited West Norwood Library.

During the visit, students had the opportunity to:

- Explore the library's facilities and study spaces
- Learn how to access books and digital resources
- Take part in a short workshop led by the library team
- Browse and borrow books

What a positive and inspiring visit supporting our students to read for pleasure and develop research skills.



This term at Evolve Primary has been a wonderfully enriching one for our pupils, filled with exciting trips and hands-on learning experiences that have brought their classroom studies to life. We wanted to share some highlights with you.

NATIONAL POETRY LIBRARY



During our trip to the Poetry Library, pupils had the chance to explore a world of words and creativity. They took part in workshops where they wrote, shared, and performed their own poems. It was wonderful to see their confidence grow as they expressed themselves through poetry.

UNICORN THEATRE

How Does Santa Get Down the Chimney?

Our pupils enjoyed a magical visit to the Unicorn Theatre to watch this imaginative and humorous play. Rather than giving one definitive answer, the performance explored a hundred playful possibilities, each more delightful than the last. The children were captivated from start to finish and returned full of excitement and ideas.



MARY SEACOLE STATUE



As part of the lower school's history topic on "Nurturing Nurses," pupils visited the Mary Seacole statue to deepen their understanding of her life and contributions. This trip helped bring their learning to life and gave them a meaningful connection to an important historical figure.

BAITUL AZIZ MOSQUE

For Religious Education this term, pupils visited the Baitul Aziz Mosque, where they were welcomed for a talk and a guided tour. They learned about the different features of a mosque, the significance of its design, and the role it plays in the community. The visit encouraged thoughtful questions and respectful curiosity.



We are incredibly proud of how engaged, enthusiastic, and respectful the children have been throughout all these experiences. Thank you for your continued support in helping us provide such rich learning opportunities.