



St Andrew's Academy Family update newsletter

22nd March 2024

Spring Term

Head Teacher's Welcome



Despite how short this half term is, it has been very busy, with our wonderful students accessing a wide range of learning opportunities. Our After School clubs are gaining momentum and it has been great to see so many students enjoying a range of activities and having the opportunity to socialise with others in a more relaxed setting.

The staff and students supported a highly enjoyable Red Nose Day last Friday, where students also learned about some of the projects Comic Relief supports. Some of the outfits worn by both staff and students were a sight to behold!

We are all looking forward to our Maths Themed Day next Thursday, when students will be practicing their Maths skills, including weighing and measuring, within a range of functional learning opportunities-I'm particularly looking forward to judging the baking competition!

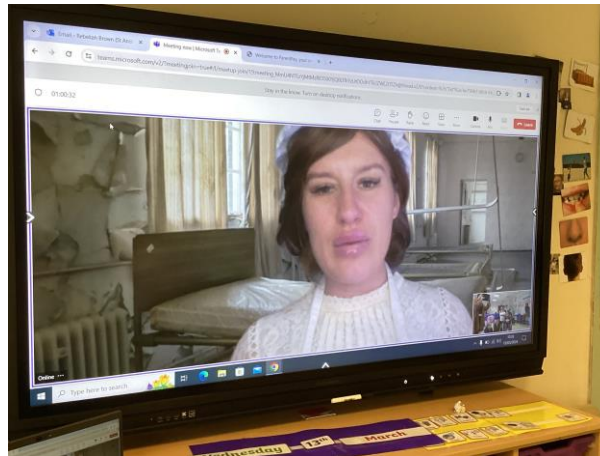
Wishing you a restful weekend

David Braybrooke

Headteacher

Key Stage 3

Students in Orkney have been exploring medicine through years and have been learning about Florence Nightingale, who was from Derby! The Students have been looking at her timeline, what changes she made to improve our care system, and learning about hospitals. We had an amazing online workshop with an actress portraying to be Florence all those years ago in the dirty, old hospitals. The students took part in a quiz to test their knowledge, as asking the actress all about Florence's life, what it was like being a nurse back then and seeing some of the conditions in hospitals a long time ago. The students loved role playing being injured soldiers and the nurses taking care of them.







The Glens

Skye Class have been working on their communication, reading and independence skills during their food technology lesson. They followed a group activity of making cheese biscuits. The students

listened to instructions and waited patiently for their turn of measuring out the different ingredients. There were some students grating the cheese, measuring the flour and all the students enjoyed using the rolling pin and cutters.

This half term, we have been learning about colour in Maths and the students have really enjoyed watching an Attention Autism cake splat and exploring the different coloured objects.

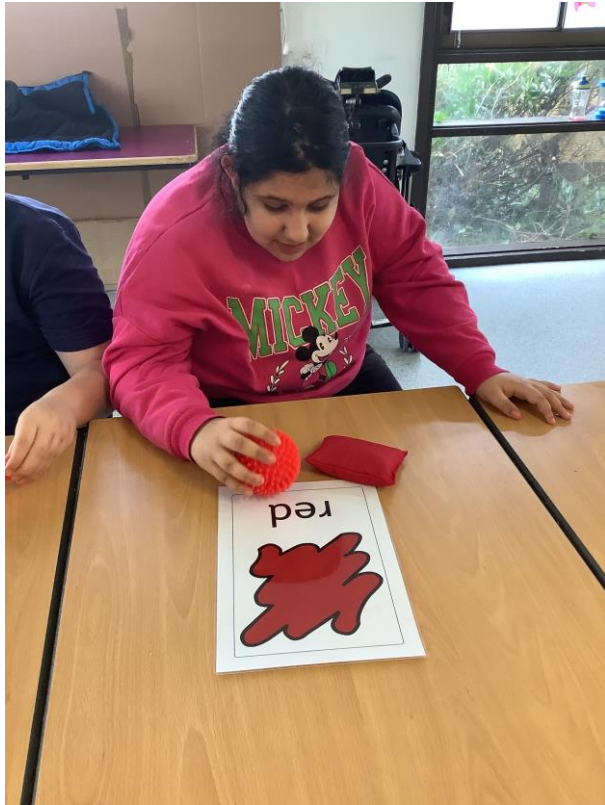


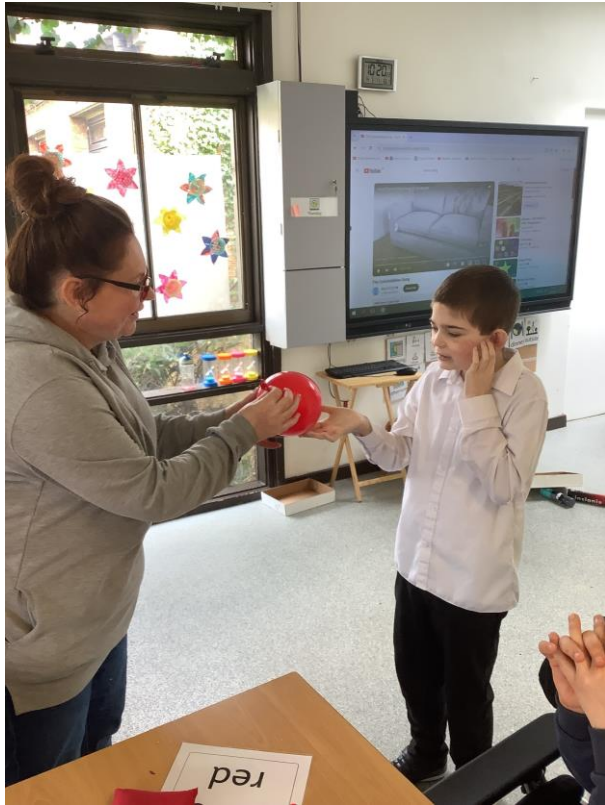


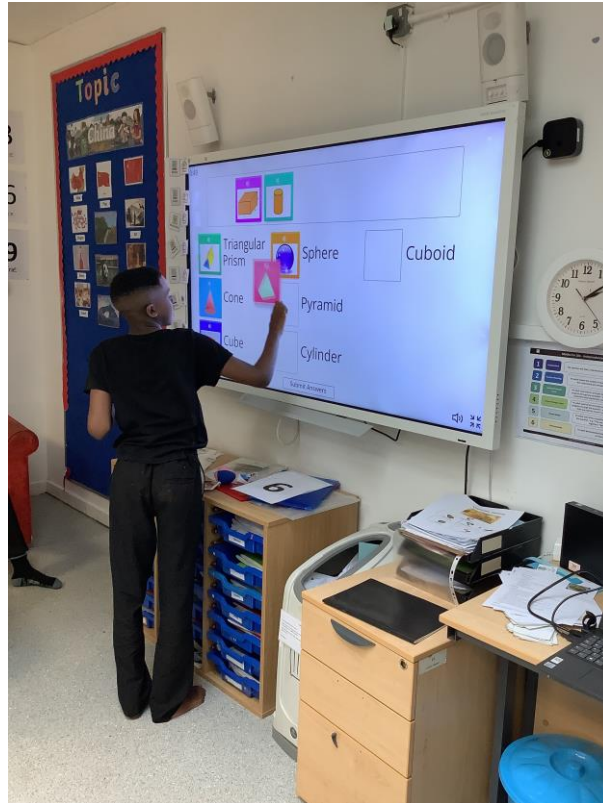












Mull class have had a busy week, with a highlight being some students visiting the Carrot Productions performance on Thursday. Some students have been busy making new things in their woodwork sessions. They have continued their work on shape and colour, and have made excellent progress with their maths skills!





Key Stage 4

This week key stage 4 visited a care home with some spring-themed activities. They enjoyed making beautiful floral bookmarks and some Shawn the Sheep cupcakes.



1 - Enjoying arts and crafts and making floral bookmarks.



2 - enjoying cake decorating





Highlands



This week in the Highlands we have been learning about St Patrick's Day! Students have been using their sequencing skills in maths to sequence recipes for traditional Irish foods such as soda bread and stew. Students have also been having fun using their critical thinking skills on a Leprechaun hunt! Students had to follow clues to find different symbols of Ireland and St Patrick's Day and were rewarded with their own gold coin!













EVENT POSTPONED - FE College Campus Information Session . New Date - Monday 22nd April 2024



Please note that this event will now take place on Monday 22nd April.

4.00pm – 4.30pm: Campus Tour and 'Meet the Staff'.

4.30pm – 5.00pm: Curriculum Offer Presentation.

This is an open invitation to all young people and their families who will be progressing into FE in September 2024 to come and meet the FE team, see the campus building and find out some more information about the FE curriculum offer your young person will be following next year.

You will receive an information form for your young person to complete. This information will help to inform student groupings and timetables for the new academic year.

Please could these forms be returned by May 24th 2024.

Please email **campus@sas.set.org** to register your interest in attending this event.

Residential Department



This week residential students have made the most of the nice weather and were able to spend more time outside, playing sports, gardening and keeping fit. The highlight of the week for the Wednesday /Thursday group was a trip to the cinema.



3 - Continuing with our community visits to local libraries in the area.



4 - Quiet time spent selecting the books they would like to book out and bring back to residential to read.



5 - An early end of term residential treat to watch *Migration* at ODEON Luxe cinema. The reclining seats were a hit.



6 - The lighter and warmer evenings allowed residential students their first real experiences of using the new outdoor SENFIT gym equipment. Students loved fitness sessions taking place outdoors.

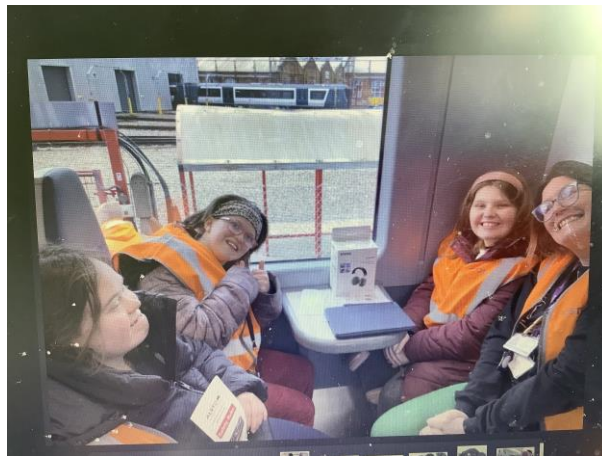


7 - Students from Campus were invited to a Women's only STEM day at Alstom Derby.

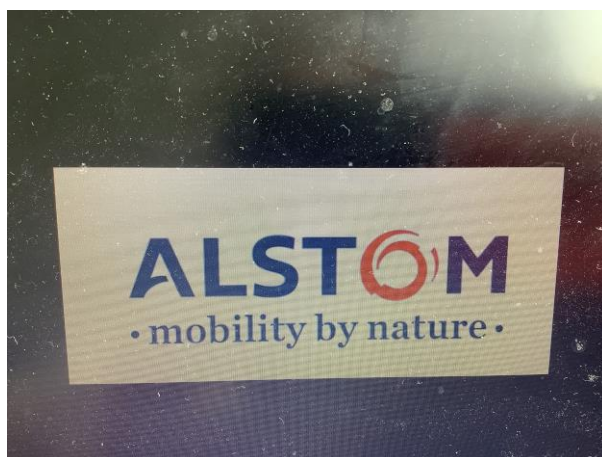
We had a great day and got to tour the factory and ride a train. We had a task to do where we built a train ramp and we were challenged to use our Skillsbuilder Problem solving skills and our Team work skills.



8 - We got to look at the train driver cab , and spent time looking at how trains are made. The funny thing that made us laugh was that the wheels on a train are called Bogies. We called our group the Spice girls as we kept singing ,” follow the green road”. This is because at Alstom you have to stay in the green safety lines to tour the factory and this helped us remember.



9 - The best part of the day was riding on the train and the driver blowing the horn. When we got back to College all the group got a reading book about the day out, and a certificate.



10 - Alstom offered us a fun and engaging day that was appropriate to our learning needs.

We had such a great day. Alstom have offered us opportunities to engage as an Employer. They gave a student some work experience in their coffee shop last year. This year we have more exciting plans to work in partnership with Alstom, creating Inclusive opportunities for our students to learn work skills in exciting environments. Our students will help to make a valuable contribution to Alstom.



11 - Heres our wonderful group.

A massive thanks to Nina Atwal from Alstom for a great day and for having SEND at the heart of her ideas

Extra-curricular activities

Our Students have loved accessing our Extra Curricular Activities, we have been running our Arts and crafts and Dance After School Club for the past 2 terms and it has had an amazing up take. We have had an incredible 20 students from across School able to access a club of their interest between these clubs. Each week the students have a big smile on the face and cant wait to tell their class team , friends and careers all about what they have done at club. The students have really enjoyed themselves and the artwork they have produced is very impressive.













Performing Arts Opportunities

The National Open Youth Orchestra are performing at Birmingham Town Hall on Sunday 2nd June 2024, 3-4pm. Each student at St Andrew's Academy has been offered 2 free tickets. If you are interested in attending, please contact Jenny, the Music lead at school, or put a note in your young person's home-school diary.

"The National Open Youth Orchestra (NOYO) is a pioneering inclusive orchestra where brilliant 11-25 year-old disabled and non-disabled musicians rehearse and perform together. It promotes inclusion by performing exciting music written and arranged for a diverse group of musicians and instruments. It also works with venues to produce accessible concerts." For more information about the National Open Youth Orchestra, visit [Welcome - National Open Youth Orchestra \(noyo.org.uk\)](https://www.noyo.org.uk) .

EAST MIDLANDS INCLUSIVE CHOIR



everyone has their own voice to share!

It's FREE and welcomes anyone up to age 25 and their families

With online and in-person rehearsals you can make music your own way!
sing, move, dance, sign, make sounds with an instrument or soundmaker.

**Online
rehearsals**

Once per fortnight during term time

Via Zoom – a link will be sent to those who sign up

**Next in-person
rehearsal**



FIND OUT MORE + SIGN UP
mehem.org/inclusive



SEND HUB Creative Workshops

FREE weekly workshops in dance and movement, drama, music and percussion



Open to learning disabled, neurodivergent and Autistic young people aged 13-18 who are keen to develop their skills

Every Thursday from 29th Feb 2024

Come and see if this is for you on our

Taster sessions:

7th March

14th March

4.30 - 6pm

Workshops are all FREE, funded by the CANVAS project



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Where?

Our Hubbub home and new SEND inclusive hub at Deda



19 Chapel Street
Derby DE1 3GU

Booking essential

01332 374 665

info@hubbubtheatre.org

Kitchen Update

Our wonderful kitchen staff, Kim and Suzanne, have achieved an outstanding 99% on the recent kitchen inspection and a 5 star Food Hygiene Rating!




Thank you both for your hard work every day!

Maths Eggstravaganza





POSITIONAL LANGUAGE



- IN
- OUT
- OUTSIDE
- INSIDE
- UNDER
- OVER
- MIDDLE
- BETWEEN
- BOTTOM
- TOP
- CLOSE
- FAR

- UNDERNEATH
- ON TOP OF
- FRONT
- BACK
- IN FRONT OF
- BEHIND
- NEARER THAN
- CLOSER THAN
- FURTHER THAN
- NEXT TO
- QUATER TURN
- HALF TURN
- WHOLE TURN




- UP
- DOWN
- LEFT
- RIGHT
- FORWARDS
- BACKWARDS


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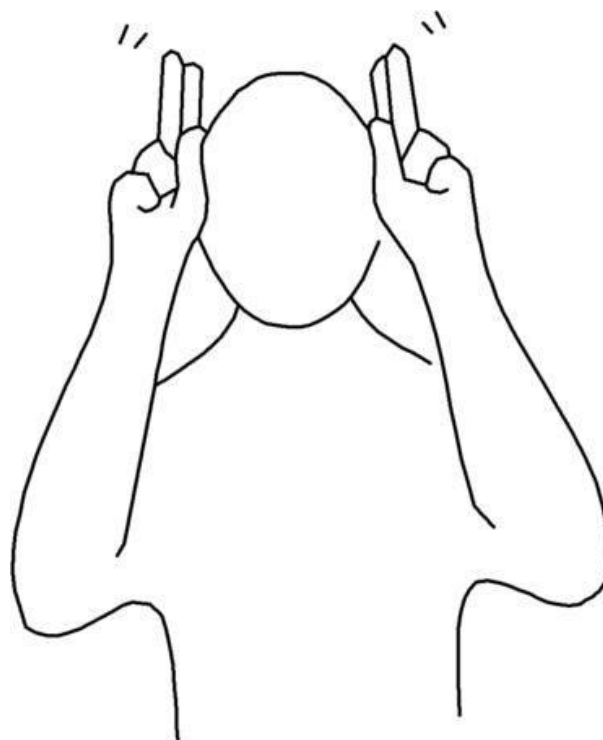
The position of an object in a sequence



ONE - 1ST - FIRST
TWO - 2ND - SECOND
THREE - 3RD - THIRD
FOUR - 4TH - FOURTH
FIVE - 5TH - FIFTH
SIX - 6TH - SIXTH
SEVEN - 7TH - SEVENTH
EIGHT - 8TH - EIGHTH
NINE - 9TH - NINTH
TEN - 10TH - TENTH
ELEVEN - 11TH - ELEVENTH
TWELVE - 12TH - TWELFTH
THIRTEEN - 13TH - THIRTEENTH
FOURTEEN - 14TH - FOURTEENTH
FIFTEEN - 15TH - FIFTHTEENTH
SIXTEEN - 16TH - SIXTEENTH
SEVENTEEN - 17TH - SEVENTEENTH
EIGHTEEN - 18TH - EIGHTEENTH
NINETEEN - 19TH - NINETEENTH
TWENTY - 20TH - TWENTIETH
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Makaton Sign of the Week



12 - Our sign this week is *Rabbit*

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