



4<sup>th</sup> April 2025

Dear all,

We had a great Spring Term 2. Students worked hard practicing and taking their English Functional skills assessments. They will complete their math's functional skills in the summer term. Please see some of our other highlights below:

**Careers Talks/Transition Events**

- Cyber Choices Talk - online safety & careers in cyber security
- RHS Discover careers in Horticulture webinar
- Career Talk: Laura Rowe Editorial Director Delicious Magazine- Eye 2 eye Media
- Cartoonist Career Talk, comic workshop and tour of museum, central London
- Lambeth Met Police Talk – Students listened to 3 police officers talk about their job roles, their career journeys and what it is like to be a police officer. Students asked thoughtful questions and tried on some of the police uniforms.

**Charity, celebrations and Information Events at college**

- International Women's Day Cake Sale & Bay Tree Centre Talk— money raised donated to the Bay Tree Centre
- Resources For Autism Parent/ Carers Coffee Mornings
- Neurodiversity Celebration Week
- World Book Day- Short story writing Competition

**Trips & Workshops**

- National Portrait gallery photography workshop
- Independent Travel Training Bus - Southwark
- Mobile Farm visited college as part of Jack Petchey Award. We had a range of animals including a pony, sheep, chickens and a rabbit.
- The NEST 4-week Wellbeing workshops exploring relationships, personalities, boundaries all resulting in a shared poem and their qualities as part of their autism.,
- RFA 8-week employment workshops. Students took part in workshops exploring their strengths, qualities for jobs, how to complete application forms, compete CV's and practice interview skills.
- 'Business Links Week' –High shore School visited the cafe & kitchen 4 afternoons where college students talked about their roles in the cafes and kitchen. They showed students how to make coffees, chocolates and focaccia bread. We were proud of how professional and confident our students were. High shore students asked lots of questions and got
- Day of Dance – students went to Laban, learned a joint dance with other students and shared what they learned to a large group.





- Event: sculpt Celebration Event. Students who took part in the Sculpt employment sessions in the autumn term, joined other schools to take part in a celebration event where they designed computer games in an apprentice type competition.
- Bank of England outing and Horizon 22 trip
- Veolia Orchard Tree planting at college –students won 5 apple trees and helped to plant them. The listened to a talk from Veolia about sustainability.
- Bounce Ping Pong Old Street work experience trip. Students went to see what it is like to work in a bar/cafe. They played a game of ping pong and were given balls and bats to bring back to college.
- Southwark Autism Support Team- We were delighted to welcome staff to complete their Team Teacch Training. Students did an excellent job with the hospitality and catering with wonderful feedback.
- Spring Fair. We were delighted to welcome new and old families and friends to our Spring Fair. We had some happy winners in the raffle, some happy receivers of portraits drawn by our students and incredibly happy customers with their craft and chocolate purchases all made and served by the students.
- 3Mobile Discovery workshops – We had a wonderful end to the term with an amazing full day workshop by Alan from 3. Students learned how to make a Stop Motion animation using Lego & iPads and animated adverts linked to job roles.

### Upcoming dates

- **Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> April: Students return to college:**
- **Wed 30<sup>th</sup> April-** Weekly RSE Workshops start – YSSH – Intro to sexual health please do let us know if you have any queries or questions about the workshops.
- **Mon 5<sup>th</sup> May - Bank Holiday- College closed**
- **Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> May** - Million Hours Wellbeing workshops start
- **Tues 20<sup>th</sup> May-** Resources for Autism - RFA Parent/ carers coffee morning 10:30-12:30 - last Tuesday of the month – all welcome
- **Half Term Monday 26th May 2025 to Friday 30th May 2025**

### Reminders:

- Timekeeping: Please remember college starts at 9am. Please do ring or email the college if you are absent or will be late before 9am.
- The college doors open at 8:45 am for early arrivals. Please either stay in your cab or wait at the bottom of the stairs unless the matter is urgent.
- Please bring in a change of clothes & deodorant for sports activities each day- either leave in lockers or bring in daily.
- As the summer term and warmer weather approaches please do bring sun cream, sunglasses, a water bottle and a sun hat if going outside.





- Please wear clothes suitable for internal or external work experience- toes and heels need to be covered in footwear.
- If you do not have a freedom pass, please do ask staff to support you with this.

Please do ring us at any time if you need any support or have any questions. We hope you all have a lovely Easter break and look forward to seeing everyone back on Wednesday 23rd April.

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Principal

