



Oakfield School



Welcome to issue 10 of the Oakfield School newsletter. As the daylight hours get longer and the sun comes out, it's nice to see our students being able to enjoy the school field for a range of activities.

Football

Eight students from KS3 children and KS4 travelled to play a football match against Phoenix Academy in Grimsby. Despite being faced by a team of much greater size, Oakfield performed brilliantly. A series of outstanding saves kept the scores down in the first two games (1-4 and 0-3). In the final game, Oakfield earned a well-deserved win. All students showed sportsmanship and maturity travelling to and from the match and during the games. They were a credit to Oakfield.



Science

In March it was Science week. As a part of this, classes competed to make the best balloon car. Each tutor group was given a small number of items (bottle, bottle tops, straws, balloon etc.) in order to build their own car. Classes were able to customise their vehicle and to add extra resources to those they were given. Cars then raced against each other at the end of the week.



Ukraine

Staff from school and residential recently collected items to send to Ukraine to help the victims of the conflict with Russia.



Rugby Ball

Hull FC very kindly donated a signed ball to the school. The ball was raffled with proceeds going to Hull Pupil Trust, which supports our students most in need. All students were allotted a free ticket, with students and staff then being able to buy more tickets.

The ball was won buy a Year 8 student.



Covid

Due to Oakfield being a specialist setting, twice weekly lateral flow testing should still be carried out. All positive cases need to be shared with the school straight away.



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Night Challenge

On 19th March a group of Year 11 students took part in Humberside Police's Night Challenge. The event involves a challenging 12 mile walk around the public footpaths and field edges of Brantingham, Riplingham and South Cave. In addition to there being some difficult hills to climb and descend, along the way there are a series of activities for the teams to undertake. The last activity involves becoming a jury in a pretend court case in Brantingham village hall. All the walking takes place in the dark, with teams navigating using the moonlight and by reading maps. The Oakfield team finished in the early hours, tired but very pleased with themselves. All participants received a dog tag-style medal in reward for their efforts. No blisters this year!



Wear a Hat

On Friday 25th March the school supported the charity 'Brain Tumour Research' and took part in the annual 'Wear a Hat' day. Brain tumours are indiscriminate; they can affect anyone at any age. What's more, they kill more children and adults under the age of 40 than any other cancer... yet historically just 1% of the national spend on cancer research has been allocated to this devastating disease. Brain Tumour Research is determined to change this. As a school we raised £317. 31 for this research. A big thankyou to everyone who donated/took part on the day and made it a great success.



Residential

Over the course of the term the residential have been focusing on implementing a range of Personalised Learning Programmes for our students on role at Oakfield. These include day trips to; Yorkshire Sculpture Park, Eden Camp, Roundhay Park, National Railway Museum, York Castle, Royal Armouries, Yorkshire Wildlife and Sea Life Centre.

Leap - A recent influx of new pupils has started accessing the Leap provision. They have enjoyed their start to extended evenings seem to be loving the activities provided on an evening!

Activities - Due to the change in weather the residential have planned a number of double activities recently! As a whole residential staff and pupils have left the school site and enjoyed various team building games at different locations across East Yorkshire. Beverley Westwood, Hornsea, Scarborough, Little Swiss, Withernsea and Little Weighton are just a select few locations we have been to on our travels.

Baby Programme – Some students took part in our successful Baby Programme which lasted a whole 1 and half days. They excelled during the process and managed a huge 95% pass completion. Leanne and Fran, who worked closely with students during the process, were extremely proud of the effort and determination shown.

Semi Independence Life Skills – some students have recently researched a recipe, gathered the ingredients at the local supermarket, whilst managing a budget for the rest of the house. They then returned to residential, cooked the produce for the staff and their peers. The students loved the independence and enjoyed the process of cooking!

