

Newsletter - Spring Term Week 5

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Message from the Headteacher



Dear Parents and Carers

We have had another exciting week. On Thursday morning we were lucky enough to have an online live fitness session led by Tom, a 17 year old young man with Down's Syndrome, who has been working with Joe Wicks. He put us all through our paces and some of us (!) are a little sore today. If you would like to follow him on Instagram, you can find him on Tom.fit16 There is also a YouTube video and your son or daughter may recognise him from the session on Thursday morning: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=raZuZEM9HsU>

We also had another gardening day, only this time it was in the driving snow, whereas last time it was in beautiful sunshine. We were obviously not able to get out as much as we would have wanted and are planning another one after Easter.

A group of students are going to see 'The Magic Flute' tomorrow. This will then be followed up with a workshop in school which the students will help lead. It is part of our work in school to promote good mental health for students and I would particularly like to thank our KS3 teacher, Lise Harris for all her work to make this happen.

Many of you will remember Zahrah Najeeb, who we sadly lost last April. Today her mother and sister came in to present the first of our 'Zahrah Awards'. We remember Zahrah for her determination, love of fun, cheeky sense of humour and her joy in taking part. None of us will forget her wonderful smile and it is impossible to remember her without smiling ourselves. The 'Zahrah Award' is being presented to students who display any or all of these qualities. The well deserving award winning students were Alistair from Silver Class and Harry from Purple and we are very proud of them. They were given a certificate, a pot of bulbs to grow, a ball and a book. Each class was also given a pot of bulbs, and we are very excited to see the flowers grow. It is a wonderful way of remembering Zahrah and we are very grateful to her family for organising this. The awards will be presented 3 times a year.

A reminder that we have our 'Extravaganza' on each site on April 7th. The primary site performance is at 11 am and we are really pleased to invite you in. We are also really pleased FoMP will sell tea, coffee and cakes for 50p to raise money for the school. The secondary event will be at 1.30 and 14-19 will sell tea, coffee and cakes for 50p as well. Brace yourself for some staff performances too!

Finally, can I wish Ramadan Mubarak to all of our Muslim families.

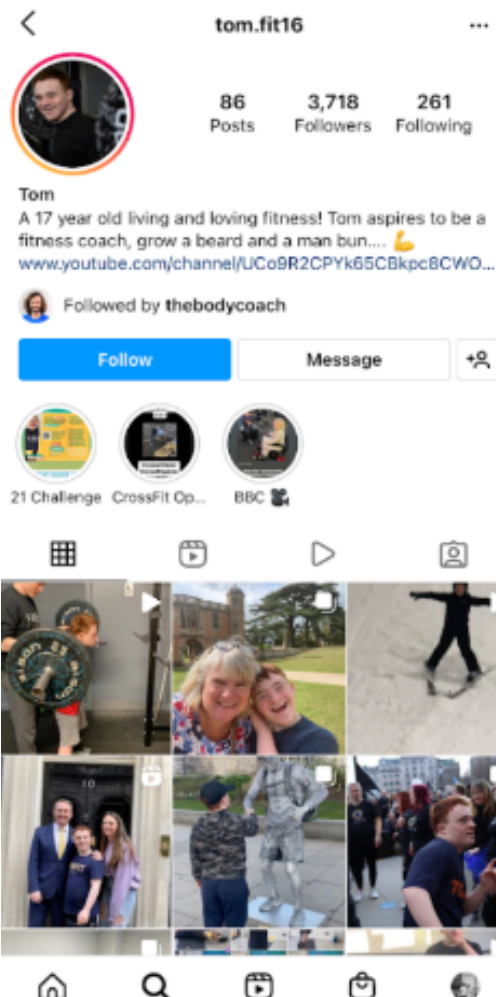
Have a great weekend everyone.

Best wishes
Lucy

Headteacher's Awards

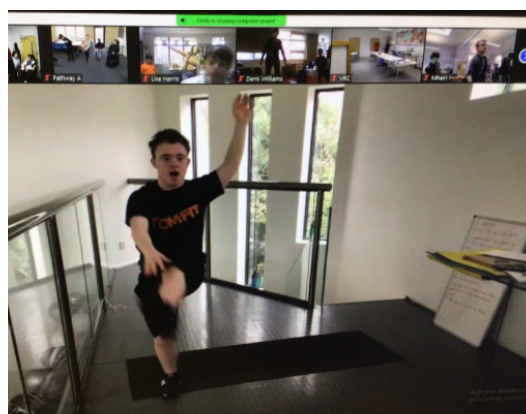


Tom fit



We had a fantastic time in our PE lesson with Tom. His Instagram details are as follows:

Instagram: Tom.fit16



Yellow Class



Yellow Class have really enjoyed this term's topic of Entertainment. We have explored the Cinema, Theatre, the Circus and the Zoo. Yellow Class definitely liked exploring the different foods at the cinema and theatre such as popcorn and ice cream. This week particularly, Yellow Class have enjoyed creating our own Circus complete with a popcorn machine. The only thing missing was candyfloss. We also played parachute games, practised juggling and some of us even dressed up as clowns.

Next week, for the last week of term, we will be exploring all things Spring and Easter. If we don't get to speak to you before then, have a great break everyone and we'll see you again soon.



14-19 Informal Pathway

Another week seems to have flown by. We have been busy with the park, library visits, cooking, Sherborne movement and continuing to develop our communication and independence skills. We have had lots of physical development time which has been great to incorporate and embed a range of other skills into. We have had brilliant fun playing with the parachute and lots of football practice. To end the week we had a great Zoom PE session with 'Tom's Hitt'



Thanks so much to those of you who donated bulbs, seeds and pots for our gardening day. Unfortunately, the weather gods were not in our favour so we have had to postpone the outdoor work until after the Easter holidays. Have a lovely weekend.





Zahra's Awards



**Congratulations to Harry and
Alistair on receiving the very first
Zahra Awards**

