

COLLEGE NEWS

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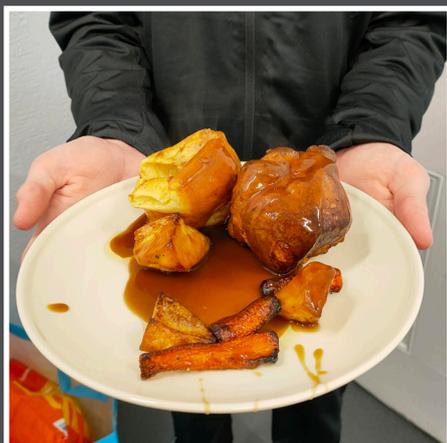


This half term **Hamsterley** and **Redesdale** have loved going outdoors and learning in Forest School. They enjoyed making fires in the forest, creating spinning tops and orienteering.

This half term we have continued with our cookery lessons; we have made a wide range of meals such as chilli con carne, toad in the hole, roast vegetables, omelettes, frittata and bubble and squeak!

We are also working as a team to create decorations for the classroom competition; we are using communication, planning, teamwork and creativity to create a magical atmosphere!

HAMSTERLEY & REDESDALE



GRIZEDALE & GISBURN

We have had a great term focusing on our independence and work skills. We have continued to go out into the community to get shopping for our weekly cooking lessons. We have been looking at self esteem and why it is important to feel good about ourselves, and also how to build other people's self esteem.

We have been working super hard to make our classrooms look amazing for the 'Christmas Classroom Decorating Competition'. Students have excelled with their creative ideas and fabulous art work.

A real highlight for us was taking part in the Gateshead school's bowling competition. A huge well done to the lads who came first!

We hope everyone has a lovely Christmas!



KIELDER

Kielder students have continued to make good progress this half term. We have been busy working on our Enterprise project for the Cedars virtual Christmas Fair, which involved working as a team to research, design, produce, market, and sell a unique product. We chose to make filled Christmas baubles.

We have carried on with our weekly walks and work in the woods, and we visited a bird hide in Thornley Woods. We also learned how to make a fire, which we then used to bake our handmade flatbread.

Happy Christmas
from Kielder 



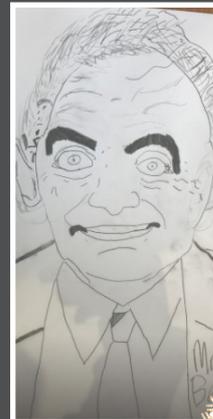
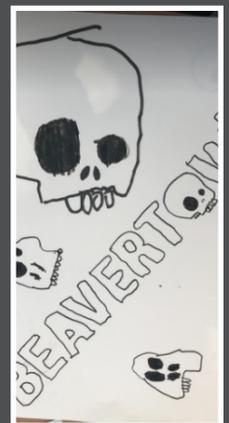
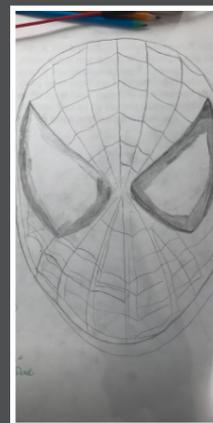
WINLATTER

This term in the build up to Christmas things have been slightly more normal, with learners commencing their normal timetable and having subject specialist teachers for Maths, English and Art. This has been great as it has enabled learners to delve deeper into their subjects, particularly in Art with Mr. Finn, where learners have been doing their Arts Award, and encouraged to create pieces of work in line with their own interests. If you look at the photograph you will see pictures relating to favourite film characters, food brands, or general art styles or artists that the learners like.

In English learners have continued to read the book Holes, in addition to watching parts of the film, discussing this story with Mr. Bentley, then creating work around this too. Learners have done pieces of work such as persuasive writing to advertise Camp Green Lake mentioned in the book, or to create a Christmas list to Santa for the characters in the book.

In Maths learners have concentrated on skills such as addition and subtraction with smaller than bigger numbers, and have then continued onto multiplication and division; and then fractions. This has been challenging for some learners but they have been taught some great methods and have tried very hard.

Whinlatter class are now beginning to wind down for Christmas and are looking forward to going to Walker Terrace in the new year.



HARWOOD & SLALEY

This term **Slaley** have been incorporating enterprise in to their regular outdoor learning sessions. Using the materials and tools available to them they were able to make wooden reindeer and snowmen to sell at through our College enterprise 'be inspired to...'.

Slaley continued to build on the outdoor skills they learned last term such as cooking , making a fire and team work.



This term **Harwood** have been working on the enterprise unit of their SETPD. They decided as a team to make hot chocolate stirrers. Students were responsible for sourcing their own ingredients from Tesco, keeping receipts and updating their accounts, as well as producing a high-quality product as a team. They worked hard to develop their communication, time management, team building and independent living skills. It definitely helped us all get into the Christmas spirit.

This term **Dalby** class have been finishing reading Macbeth. We created some artwork based on Lady MacBeth and how her character changes throughout the play. During our food technology lessons our Students have learnt how to make sausage rolls, cinnamon rolls and a vegan stir fry.

We have also this term spent time as a class discussing our Christmas enterprise what goes towards our students entry diploma. Our students choose to make personalised Christmas decorations and money wallets. Students learnt how to use design space and cricut vinyl cutting machine. They design their ideas onto the design space and cut and made baubles, light up bottles and personalised money wallets. Our students have done exceptionally well at this enterprise task and we hope to continue the enterprise throughout the year to help build a business plan they will be submitting to Mr Flowers.

Our class also had a visit to Hancock Museum and Discovery Museum. It was a great day out learning a lot about our history. We look forward to enjoying the next term with our class.



DALBY





STUDENT VOICE

This term **College Council** have met in person and via zoom to ensure all college students were involved in the meetings. The students that are at Walker Terrace have been very positive about their experiences and have settled in well. Anti-Bullying Week: Students decorated rocks with kind words on and placed them out in the local community. We dressed in spots for Children in Need. College Council are busy discussing various projects they hope to begin soon. These include the Post 16 Healthy Schools Award and Eco Schools Award.



All students took part in our Annual Cedars College Christmas Class Decorations Competition. Judging took place on Friday 17th December by Mr. Flowers, Michelle & James. The effort and enthusiasm from everyone was fantastic. It proved very difficult to pick a winner, however, after a judge unanimous decision it was agreed that both Gisburn/Grizedale and Hamsterley/Redesdale were crowned joint winners. **Well done to all involved!!**

Students have been involved the BALTIC Mural Project, working with ceramic artist Megan Randall. A group of pupils took part in a 6 week workshop at BALTIC creating small ceramic bees, butterflies and flowers from porcelain clay.

In November two metal sheets were put up at Walker Terrace and pupils that didn't take part in making the ceramic pieces were invited to create the final mural by arranging the pieces in a swirling pattern. A group of students including pupils that had left in July 2021 were invited to a celebration event at BALTIC and delivered a presentation to 5 other local schools, sponsoring business partners and artists explaining the whole experience with photos and video.

This was a very positive experience with the students being excellent ambassadors of creativity for the whole school. Well done to all that took part in this wonderful arts journey.



STUDENTS RETURN TO COLLEGE WEDNESDAY 5TH JANUARY 2022

