

COLLEGE NEWS

SEP/OCT
EDITION 2021



WINLATTER

This half-term in **Winlatter Class** we have been reading the story *Holes* by Louis Sachar. The new immersion room has been great for this, as it has a feature that allows us to go into the main character's bedroom, the camp, 1800s in Latvia and the desert, so we really felt immersed in the story! We have been working on our Skills for Employment, Training and Personal Development (SETPD) portfolios and focussing on looking after accommodation, personal hygiene and planning meals to help in achieving a balanced diet. As part of the sex

and relationships module we have been looking at different types of relationships, positive relationships and rights and responsibilities within relationships. We have also been looking at equality and diversity.

We've enjoyed accessing the sports hall and school gym as well as going to Gateshead Leisure Centre to go swimming or go to the gym there. It was great to get back in there with it being closed for so long!



Kielder students have made an excellent start to the new term. We have been studying the short stories of Roald Dahl in our English lessons, as well as looking at horror fiction, and incorporating some of this into our art work, designing characters and posters based on the stories we have read.

We have spent our Thursday mornings learning cookery skills and preparing meals and snacks. So far we have made pasta with homemade meatballs and marinara sauce, cheese scones, and chocolate chip cookies.

We have enjoyed our ICT lessons, and have learnt about coding and practised some basic coding using Botley The Coding Robot, as well as brushing up on our functional IT skills. In addition, we spent a sunny day out learning map reading around Derwent Walk, as well as helping out at the college allotment.



KIELDER



DALBY

Learning basic life skills, like cooking, is essential to functioning better as an adult and becoming independent. Part of our curriculum is to learn these skills. This term **Dalby** have taken part in weekly cooking lessons every Friday afternoon. Throughout the week students discuss together as a team to decide what we will be making during our food technology lesson. Our first week we decided as a group to make a dessert based on Macbeth which we are studying as part of our English GCSE.

We wanted our muffins to symbolize a theme in Macbeth. After looking up ideas we decided to make dagger muffins. We chose muffins with a dagger topping in reference to Macbeth killing King Duncan in order to become the new king of Scotland. ***"This is a dagger which I see before me?"*** We learnt how to operate an oven and how to safely use it.

Week 2 we chose to make pizzas. We looked at healthier alternatives to dough base and decided to use wraps as our pizza base. We used gluten free wraps for vegan option. We had a selection of toppings including meat, vegan options and also gluten free options.



Hamsterley and **Redesdale** have settled into life at Walker Terrace really well! This half term we have enjoyed doing projects on Harry Potter, The Hunger Games, Black History Month and Halloween.

We have now had our first outdoor learning lessons, doing lots of walks in the local community and attending Forest School.

One of the things we have loved the most this half term is our weekly Preparation for Adulthood and Independence Cookery lessons. We have made lots of meals from scratch including chilli con carne, apple crumble, pasta bake, pizzas and garlic bread.



HAMSTERLEY & REDESDALE

GRIZEDALE & GISBURN

This term we have loved getting to know each other more and have settled into our new classes extremely well. We have been going to Ivy Lane on a Monday to use the sports hall, gym and therapy centre. We have loved playing basketball, table tennis and football. In the gym we have worked on our own personal fitness, setting goals and working towards achieving them. We have loved getting to use the immersion room in the therapy centre. In this space we have been able to relax, play games and even set the scene when diving into a good book.

Back at Walker Terrace we have been doing some great work in Food Tech and Independent Living. We have made scones, cakes, cookies, toasties and hot drinks. This has all been in preparation for our **"Café on the Terrace"** which will be happening on the last day of term.

In English, **Gisburn** have started to read and study **'The Woman in Black'**. We have been looking at creative writing, especially focusing on punctuation, adjectives and the use of similes and conjunctions. **Grizedale** have been looking at instructions. We have been able to order them as well as write our own.

In Maths we have been focusing on place value, also looking at more than/ less than. We have also all enjoyed creating our own Henri Matisse pieces in Art. **What a great start to the year! See you all after half term.**



DAY	CLUB	TIME	COST	LOCATION
MON	PERFORMING ARTS	3PM TO 4.15PM	£2	WALKER TCE
	BOOK CLUB	3PM TO 4.15PM	£2	WALKER TCE
	KESTRELS FOOTBALL / BASKETBALL	3.30PM TO 4.30PM	£2	IVY LANE
TUE	SOCIAL CLUB	3PM TO 4.15PM	£2	WALKER TCE
	KESTRELS SWIMMING	3.30PM TO 5PM	£4	GATESHEAD LEISURE CENTRE
WED	COOKERY CLUB	3PM TO 4.15PM	£2	WALKER TCE
	CREATIVITY CLUB	3PM TO 4.15PM	£2	WALKER TCE
	KESTRELS GYM & FITNESS	3.30PM TO 4.30PM	£2	IVY LANE
THU	FILM CLUB	3PM TO 4.15PM	£2	WALKER TCE

Clubs

All College students can access any of the listed clubs.

Parents must arrange prompt collection of their child from the club location.

Registration forms available from Reception @Walker Tce.

HARWOOD & SLALEY

Harwood & Slaley have had an exciting start to the new academic year. **Harwood** have been studying the book 'Wonder' as part of their Functional Skills English, whilst **Slaley** have been investigating dystopian literature in their chosen book 'The Hunger Games'.

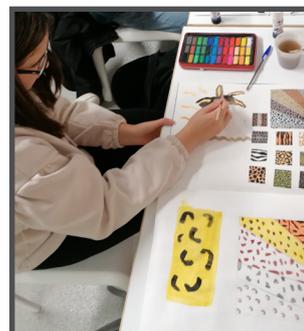
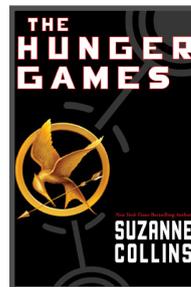
Both classes have been working hard in Maths to secure their knowledge of general number and place value concepts. We have also been learning about personal finance, specifically the different types of accounts we can open at a bank and what we might use them for.

Our theme for SETPD this half-term has been Equality and Diversity. We have enjoyed learning about different cultures and customs from around the world and have shown great maturity in discussing societal issues that affect people's daily lives.

We have also had the opportunity to take part in a range of activities outside of College this half-term, including volunteering at the College allotment and completing countryside walks with our outdoor activity specialist. We have been rounding off our weeks by working on our individual health and fitness plans as part of our Physical Development sessions at Cedars Gym and Sports Hall.

Harwood & Slaley have been studying at the BALTIC Art Gallery to help develop their Arts Award experience. Students are taking part in mixed activities from painting, collage & fashion design to music, participating in activities that enhance their personal enjoyment and practicing skills to help support their chosen arts journeys.

Students are working towards challenges at different levels from Bronze & Silver to Gold.



Cedars Christmas Events

SAT 27 NOV

FRI 3 DEC

Cedars Academy Christmas Fair

@ Cedars School, Ivy Lane, Gateshead

Cedars Academy Christmas Party

@ Ravensworth Golf Club, Long Bank, Gateshead

STUDENTS RETURN TO COLLEGE

MONDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2021