



Oak Lodge Newsletter

11 February 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

Next half term we will be focussing on developing our reading and literacy strategy across the school. To allow this staff training to happen we will have a late start each Monday next half term. Pupils will need to arrive to school at 9.45, we have informed transport of the new time for the start of the school day. If you have any concerns please contact me.

This week you will be receiving a letter about your child's attendance at school. Well done to all those who receive a green letter!

I wish you a happy half term and look forward to all the pupils' news when we return.

Caroline Rowlandson



Dates for your Diary:

Open Day: **Wed 26th February**

Parents' evening: Wed 25th March

Please note Friday the 14th will be the last day before half term pupils will finish school at 3.30 pm.

Half term: 17th – 21st February

Students return: 24th February

Last day of term: Friday 3rd April (school finishes at 1pm)

Reminders:

After school clubs started last week and the final session will be on **Thursday the 26th March.**

Parent signing classes will be every second Wednesday (the next one will be the 12/02/20) from 11.30 – 1.30pm. Please let the office know if you would like to attend.

Valentine's Day Cake and Craft sales Fri 14th: ASDAN are holding a cake and craft sale on Friday between 10 -12 in the Acorn Café. Please can students bring in a little spending money to support our café in raising money for the school.

Celebration

The Top 6 Merit winners from last week were:

Luke, Nana, Hephzibah, Alfie, Alliyah

Most improved student: Hanzala

English Star of the week: Ben

Maths Star of the week: Zaara

Science Star of the Week: Lilly

BSL Star of the Week: Aaryan and Hephzibah

Perform Star of the week: Danni-Lee

Oak Lodge Values: Saskia

Attendance stars of last week (3rd – 7th Feb):

Zaara, **Hanzala**, Lilly, **Ben**, Mouna, **Alliyah**, Samuel, **Danni-Lee**, Yasmine, **Aya**, Angus, **Saskia**, Aaryan, **Konrad**, Ruqaya, **Hephzibah**, Luke, **Nana**, Adem, **Brianna Chyna**, Kristina A, **Amani**

A Note from the Governors:

We are looking for Parent Governors so if you are interested please contact Des Jarrett

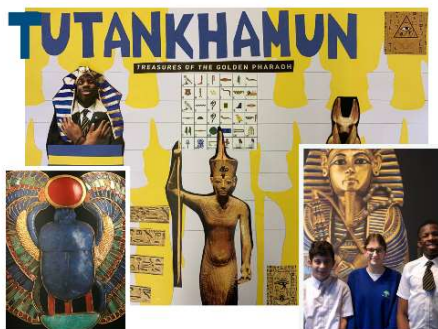
(djarrett@oaklodge.wandsworth.sch.uk) or Sue Machell

(smachell@oaklodge.wandsworth.sch.uk) for an informal chat.

BSL Sign of the week:



Sister



Trip to the Tutankhamun Exhibition

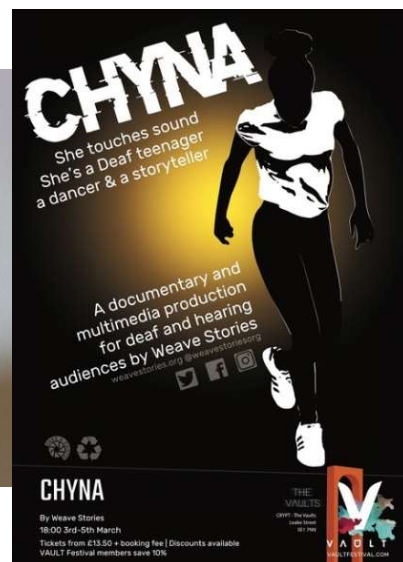
On Monday the 3rd of February, group D and F visited the Tutankhamun Exhibition in Chelsea. This was a wonderful opportunity to see the Golden Pharaoh's amazing artefacts. This experience will guide DT and Art project work this term. Clinton commented, "this was the best trip." Other students agreed, saying it was "incredible" and "interesting".

Chyna at the Vault Festival

Brianna Chyna (year 10) will be performing a solo dance piece at Vault Festival from 3rd to 5th March! Devised by Laurence Dollander, Musician/Theatre Director volunteering at Oak Lodge, in collaboration with Deaf Dance Artist Chisato Minamimura, CHYNA is a documentary and multimedia performance for D/deaf and hearing audiences. 50% discount is available for staff and parents from the school - code CHYDIS. To book tickets: <https://vaultfestival.com/whatson/chyna/>

Looking forward to seeing you there!

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Asdan Work Experience

Bella has a work placement at the London Vets. She had a very busy morning assisting the vet in taking blood from a large labrador, comforting a cat while he had an IV inserted, cleaning out a dog cabinet and updating an information board.

Trisha has work experience at Sainsbury's. She restocked the shelves, learning about date rotation as well as assisting on the tills serving customers.

Hamid has a placement with the Royal Trinity Hospice shop in Balham. He steamed new clothes that had arrived in the shop and put them on hangers.

Bradley was supporting Oak Lodge staff making resources from printing and laminating, as well as helping the maintenance team.



A note from the ASDAN teachers: At Parents' evening on the 25th March between 6-6.30pm there will be a post-16 provision talk by Lambeth College with a particular focus on their supported learning programme.



SAFEGUARDING NOTICE: Safeguarding is of the utmost importance to us. If you have any concerns that a child is being harmed or is at risk of harm, or if you receive a disclosure, you must inform a staff member immediately or call your local authority MASH team.

IMPORTANT Safeguarding Contacts: Our school's child protection officers (DSL) are:

DSL Oak Lodge: Caroline Rowlandson; DDSL Karen Duggan-Stevens, Rachel Rust, Jess Doyle.

Safeguarding Governors: Amy Herbert Lafferty, Stephen Cave.