



Braidwood School

Respect, Honesty, Effort

BSL Zone Visit

Last week we had two visitors from a company called 'DrummerTV' who create work, TV shows and short films for 'BSL Zone' and the BBC. They came in to discuss ideas, with our pupils, linked to issues that they thought were unfair or things they would like to change in the world.

DrummerTV recently made a short documentary on BSL Zone about a young Deaf campaigner called Daniel, who is 13 years old, and wants to make BSL a recognised GCSE course.

After being here they said they would like to do a project with our pupils around deaf identity and awareness, which is a fantastic opportunity.

Following the visit, both visitors commented on how amazing the school, pupils and staff were. They said everyone was very supportive, helpful and the pupils were brilliant. Well done everyone who was involved!



Headteacher Comment

I know we are all anxiously watching the news as Coronavirus seems to be marching across the world and of course we worry for our families and ourselves. I just want to reassure you that as a school we are doing everything in our power to ensure that our children and staff are as safe as possible.

We are encouraging everyone to wash their hands thoroughly and regularly throughout the day and we are using gel hand sanitiser too.

We are also encouraging children and staff to regularly clean their iPad screens using Dettol wet wipes.

Information about the virus

A coronavirus is a type of virus. As a group, coronaviruses are common across the world. Typical symptoms of coronavirus include fever and a cough that may progress to a severe pneumonia causing shortness of breath and breathing difficulties.

Generally, coronavirus can cause more severe symptoms in people with weakened immune systems, older people, and those with long-term conditions like diabetes, cancer and chronic lung disease.

Attached to this newsletter is advice and guidance on what to do if you have concerns.



Learners enjoyed brainstorming ways in which the world could be more inclusive for Deaf people.

Reporting Absences

By law, we are required daily to chase up any pupil absences. Thank you to those parents who call the school between 7.30am - 8.30am to inform them of their child's absence.

Unfortunately, some parents do not do this and wait for the school to phone them. Our office is very busy and making these calls takes time. If your child is absent, please phone the school office (0121 4645558) to report the reason why your child is not attending school that day.

Please **do not** use the taxi guide to pass on this information. Parents and guardians must inform the school directly. Thank you in advance for your co-operation.

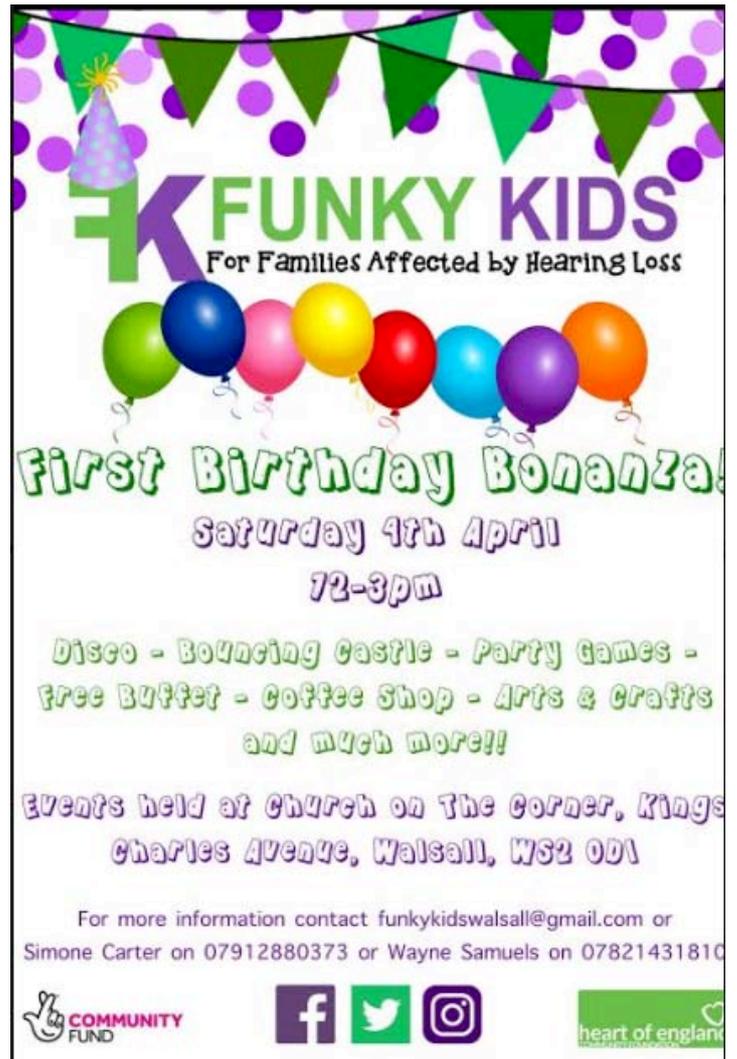


Letter Writing

One of the members of Growth Group was delighted to receive a response, in the form of a signed photo, to a letter he wrote to Jurgen Klopp (Liverpool manager). Hopefully this will inspire more of our pupils to write to their heroes!



External Event



FUNKY KIDS
For Families Affected by Hearing Loss

First Birthday Bonanza!
Saturday 4th April
12-3pm

Disco - Bouncing Castle - Party Games -
Free Buffet - Coffee Shop - Arts & Crafts
and much more!!

Events held at Church on The Corner, Kings
Charles Avenue, Walsall, WS2 0DA

For more information contact funkykidswalsall@gmail.com or
Simone Carter on 07912880373 or Wayne Samuels on 07821431810

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Visit to Lamborghini

Learners in the Growth group had a fantastic time at Bentley Birmingham as part of their transport topic and got to experience Bentleys and Lamborghinis first hand.



What's happening?

This week

- Mon 9/3/20** Visit to Safeside for A1 and A2 to learn how to be safe indifferent areas.
- Tues 10/3/20** Whole School Progress Day
- Wed 11/3/20** Careers Meeting with Sue Gough for Year 9 pupils
BID careers lessons for selected KS5 pupils
WBA Football Dome Trip for selected pupils
Boccia Competition for selected pupils
- Thurs 12/3/20**
- Fri 13/3/20** Visit to the NEC for selected pupils
PE - please make sure your child is wearing their kit

The Week After

- Mon 16/3/20** Helene Elia SaLT working with selected pupils
Brighthouse Residential: KS4/5 Revision Skills
Careers 1:1 meetings for Year 10 pupils with Sue Gough
Ascentis Maths Exams for selected pupils
English Ascentis Examination Week for selected KS4/5 pupils
- Tues 17/3/20** Brighthouse Residential: KS4/5 Revision Skills
Dr Glenn in school working with selected pupils
- Wed 18/3/20** Brighthouse Residential: KS4/5 Revision Skills
BID careers lessons for selected KS5 pupils
Horse-riding for selected pupils in A2
Visit to Coventry Transport Museum: Growth Group
- Thurs 19/3/20** BSL 103 Examinations for selected pupils
- Fri 20/3/20** PE - please make sure your child is wearing their kit

Walking Challenge



In order to raise the fitness of our pupils and to have a positive effect on mental health, learners will be walking for ten minutes in their form tutor groups. This will give them a chance to bond further with their tutor group while getting fresh air and exercise. Learners who have difficulty walking will have the opportunity to use the exercise equipment or take part in an alternative activity. Please make sure your child have a change of footwear (old trainers/ comfortable shoes) which can be changed in to at lunchtime. The tutor group who make the most effort will receive fruit on a Friday!



