



Newsletter for students, parents, carers

MAY 2016

In brief



U can Canoe 2!!!

On Monday 9th May, 12 students and 3 staff went to Whitemoor Lakes to learn how to canoe.

It was a lovely hot sunny day – just right to get wet! TM said" I really enjoyed myself, especially when IM got soaked!!' The group leader Mrs Georgiou said, "I thought everyone was amazing and I enjoyed watching everyone have fun!"

Written by TM

RECEPTION AREA

Kettlebrook has a new purpose built reception area to welcome all our visitors, students, parents and carers. Over the last 10 weeks, the builders from Fords of Blythe Bridge have been transforming the reception area and the school office. Ms Goroll said, "It will be so lovely to have the space to welcome everyone."



Horses help me to be me!

On a wet Tuesday morning early May, in a quiet stables just outside of Tamworth, 7 students and 3 staff went to celebrate the HORSES 4 U PROJECT. Tracie and her team of staff worked with 14 students each Tuesday over 10 weeks. During this time the students learnt how to walk, clean and love the Horses which in turn helped our students to over-come their fears and learn to trust others, giving students the chance of developing greater selfconfidence and self-esteem.

Whatever the weather, all the students worked with a specific

horse (of their choice) to develop a special bond. As Sir Winston Churchill said, "there is something about the outside of a horse that is good for the inside of a man."

Tracie travels around the world teaching about 'Equine Assisted Learning'. The programme is delivered through The Global Standard for Equine Assisted Psychotherapy and Personal Development.

Tracie said, "all the students have achieved so much in so many different ways — it is amazing to be a part of their development."

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Kettlebrook keeps it's INCLUSION IQM

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On Friday 29th April, students, staff, parents & carers and a lot of professionals (from many agencies who work with us at Kettlebrook) were assessed by IQM – Inclusion Quality Mark.

Our assessor Dave Stott, was very pleased to see so much going on in Kettlebrook. He said, "thank you for helping so many young people to have a better future. I was in another PRU in London, where they had a great building but no curriculum, no heart and soul where kids had no future. Here at Kettlebrook they have everything going for them."

Kettlebrook's PIG!!



This year's Artist in Residence was sculpture Robot Cosi. He worked with us in September and continued through until March finishing off our own PIG sculpture.

We just need to name him – any ideas please email office@kettlebrook.sch.uk by 10/6/16. We will be putting all names in the hat to select his name.

GCSE ART WORK

Four talented Yr 11 students have just finished their 10 hour GCSE Art exam. The art work speaks for itself – its wonderful! The GCSE Art exhibition will be open to view later in the summer term.

Mrs Potter said, "The group have worked so hard and been utterly dedicated to their exam course work – it is going to be an absolute pleasure to mark and even better to set up Kettlebrook's first GCSE Art Exhibition in July. They have each chosen a different creative media to work with, which has really shown off their skills. There has been blood, sweat and tears gone into all their work – just like real artists!!! Two students have been offered to study Art & Design courses at College next year – I am sure that they will do a great job and develop their own styles even further." Below is part of their final exam pieces.

See more outstanding art work from other students on the school's website: www.kettlebrook.staffs.sch.uk







