

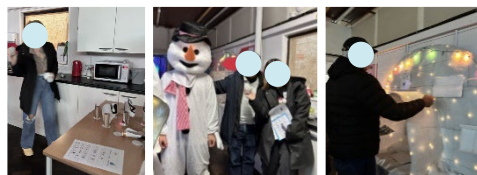
Great Oaks Weekly

Friday 12th December 2025



Escape Rooms!

College students hosted and took part in their own festive escape room event, featuring themed challenges like the North Pole adventure. They designed, built, and solved puzzles together - demonstrating teamwork, creativity, and brilliant problem-solving skills throughout the day.



Parents also took on the challenge!

Christmas Shows



Our Pathway 1 sensory performances were a huge success, filled with colour, music, and joyful participation.

Pathway 2 Christmas show for parents, Wednesday 17th December



Flynn Downes

Southampton FC player **Flynn Downes** visited our school to help set up Christmas decorations. He even found time to join students for a fun and friendly game of Uno!



Amazing Pathway 1 Shows!

The Pathway 3 full cast

Pathway 3 and The Den have been singing their hearts out this week, performing live music in our specially devised show, *Time Trackers - Saving the History of Music!* Every student shone on stage - they were all absolute superstars!



South Site News

By our regular columnist **Mike Bull**



THIS exclusive picture shows Santa and his Elves making toys for Christmas. Our intrepid reporter discovered Santa's secret workshop is NOT at the North Pole but in T16 at Great Oaks College. The horned elf next to Santa is known as half-demon Krampus (aka Brian) whose job is to keep the elves working - and to punish naughty children. Just saying.

Next door in C16 we found a reindeer stable and A16 was turned into an "arctic waste" for the college's Great Christmas Break In. Students Reet and Wiktor are pictured fishing in a frozen pond.



Christmas Fayre



A huge thank you to everyone who donated and helped make our Christmas Fayre such a success - your support was amazing... We raised £2022.70!



We'd also like to say a big thank you to Tesco, who kindly donated fidget toys for all students.



Andy's Memorial

On Wednesday 10th December, students and staff came together for a beautiful and moving memorial procession to honour Andy Evans. The event ran smoothly and respectfully, with everyone demonstrating outstanding behaviour and empathy throughout.

It was an emotional but heart-warming morning, filled with quiet reflection, pride, and unity as our school community celebrated Andy's life and lasting impact.

