## **Great Oaks Weekly**

Friday 20th October 2023



## Great Oaks Guarantee

## At Great Oaks students will have the opportunity to:

Stay overnight on a school residential

Perform in front of an audience in a theatre

Represent the school in a sporting event

Visit an art gallery, a cinema, a theatre and a theme park

Play an instrument

Attend before and after school clubs and lunchtime clubs

Learn sign language

Run a business and complete work experience

Learn through mobile technologies

Raise money for good causes

Learn at least 15 new leisure skills

Volunteer

#### **Educational Visits**



Pathway 3 Year 9s visited the Tower of London on Wednesday. They had an amazing day bringing the History that they are studying to life (and they stopped for a McDonalds on the way home!).

This week we have been discussing the Great Oaks Guarantee. These are 12 opportunities that we aim to offer to all pupils during their time at Great Oaks School. We have special folders where pupils can mark off the challenges that they have achieved.



A couple of examples from just this week:

#### Raising money for good causes

4ND have been collecting 5p's for the RNLI. We picked up a jar from Lordshill library and students have been bringing in 5p's. We have so many - we need to collect more jars after half term.

We have been looking at the work of the RNLI following our class book - Kensuke's Kingdom where a boy and his dog fall into the sea.



# **Dates for** the **Diary**

Open Mornings for parents in Year 11 to visit our South site (Green Lane) College provision Tuesday 7th November

Half-term – 23<sup>rd</sup>–27<sup>th</sup>
October
INSET day – 30<sup>th</sup>
October
(all term dates are on our website).

Great Oaks Futures
Fayre – for students
and parents in Years
10 and above –
Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup>
November

Great Oaks Christmas Fayre Friday December 8<sup>th</sup>

**HAPPY HALF-TERM** 

SCHOOL STARTS
BACK ON TUESDAY
31st OCTOBER

#### **RE Day**

Pupils in 4GS made cardamom biscuits and tried chapati with tomato and chickpea dahl as part of their RE Day on Tuesday



### **Christmas is coming!**

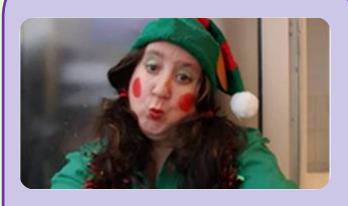


Our Christmas Fayre is coming up on Friday 8th December 6 – 8pm.

Please get in touch with Dawn if you would like to help support this event

We have a Coffee
Morning to help plan
Christmas fayre on 13<sup>th</sup>
November

#### **Elf News**



If you don't know me my name is Hayley Robinson and I am a Mum here at Great Oaks. With Christmas fast approaching as School has done so much for our children I wanted to do something nice for them. So from 20th to the 24th of November just on the cusp of the Christmas season I will be dressing every day as an Elf and going about my business! Hopefully bringing a lot of joy to people and of course especially our special children. If you would like to support me and donate. I have a Go Fund Me page. Here is the link. The funds go directly to Great Oaks School.

#### https://www.gofundme.com/f/elf-myself

Alternatively go to Go Fund me and look for the fundraiser. Elf Myself with the picture seen here. Many Thanks!

**Hayley Robinson** 

### Halloween is coming!

On South Site students in the College have been planning a Halloween Party which takes place on Friday afternoon. A16 have been decorating these amazing Pumpkins. Meanwhile Bugle House have converted their Cellar into a Halloween themed space. We will be doing Assembly from their live (if we dare) on 31<sup>st</sup> October!



# Learning through play (picture of the week)

Year 8s testing/racing and playing with the gravity racers they made this half term.

