

Great Oaks Weekly

Friday 6th February 2026



Party Time!



College students enjoyed a day clubbing experience at Orange Rooms, joining other Southampton colleges to socialise, build confidence, and enjoy a positive shared community event together.



Leafing it Tidy

Phoenix class swept up leaves this week, taking pride in looking after our environment and caring for shared outdoor spaces.



Display Corner...

3NW in Pathway 2 explored **The Great Wave off Kanagawa** by Katsushika Hokusai, learning about its striking imagery, bold shapes, and use of movement, and creating their own artwork inspired by this iconic piece.



Busy, Busy at Bugle

It's been a busy week at Bugle House. Bugle students have been working with the Saints Foundation, learning about careers within a football club. They are also supporting Andy Evans' Church, raising over £200 through sausage roll sales and choosing to spend £70 on food to donate.





South Site News

By our regular columnist **Mike Bull**



A16 students went into the woods last week... to make pancakes. After mixing batter in college a group went into woodland at City Farm to cook the pancakes on windproof Tangria camping stoves. Fillings included Biscoff spread, bananas, currants, lemon, sugar and chocolate sauce.

Students in 4HC were treated to a morning tenpin bowling after the class earned 1,000 Dojo points between them since September. Next trip is planned when they hit 3,000 points.

Preparations are underway for a Masked Singer contest in March, organised by Eventique, with students making masks and practising song and dance routines.

(Picture shows Mia cooking on a Tangria stove)

What do you call a cow cutting the grass?

A lawn moo-er
Harry, 4HC

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HA HA
HO HO HO



Working with the Saints

As part of our ongoing partnership with the Saints Foundation at Southampton Football Club, two of our pupils have been given a fantastic opportunity to take part in a five-week work placement at the club shop. Each Friday morning, they are gaining hands-on experience in retail, from stacking shelves and taking stock to learning how to use the tills and support day-to-day shop operations.

This placement is helping them build confidence, independence, and valuable workplace skills - and they have already received excellent feedback after just two weeks. They are doing us incredibly proud. Well done to both pupils!



MAXimum Attendance



Our attendance has dropped slightly this week and was 89%. However, we wanted to celebrate the 12 classes with 96% attendance or more. A huge round of apaws to 3GB, 3PM, 3RC, 3ES, 4JH, 3JJ, 4EC, C16, 3CR, 3JD, 3CA and Phoenix. Next week is the final week of Half term - Let's aim to be back up in the 90s for attendance! **Woof!**