

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT AT EASINGTON ACADEMY THIS TERM



Term 1

December 2023

World Ready

Students take part in a weekly World Ready lesson which educates them on Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education (PSHE) as well as Relationships and Sex Education (RSE). This term during World Ready, Year 7 have focused on puberty, managing friendships and staying safe online. Year 8 students have learnt how to manage their online presence and have explored equality and diversity. Year 9 students have discussed Post-16 options, employability skills and bullying. Our Year 10 students have focused on mental health and well-being and relationships, whilst Year 11 have looked at money skills and sexual health.



Coming up in World Ready next half-term

Year 7 – Physical and mental well-being

Year 8 – Racism and discrimination

Year 9 – Mental well-being

Year 10 – Substance use and sexualisation of the media

Year 11 – Lifestyle choices and health

Freshers' Fayre

In September we ran our annual Freshers' Fayre. This gives students the opportunity to see what extra-curricular activities are on offer. This year we have over 40 extra-curricular activities on offer every week!

Gaming club has been extremely popular; students have been learning how to code games. Students across all year groups continue to enjoy Board Games Club.



Remembrance Day Service

Our school community came together to honour those who have defended our freedom. We welcomed local police officers, Governors and our local MP, Mr Grahame Morris to the service. The Student Leadership Team were at the forefront of the service with a reading from our Head Boy and Head Girl, Cameron and Molly. Year 11 student Darcie also played the Last Post and we saw a wonderful march from our students who are part of the local Cadets.



Quiz

All students in the Academy have been learning about the British Values. How many can you child name?

Individual Liberty

Rule of Law

Democracy

Tolerance

Mutual Respect

Assembly Highlights

Students in Year 7-10 received a presentation from Durham Fire and Rescue about how to keep themselves and others safe around Bonfire Night.



Year 8 received a Flashpoint performance aimed at educating students on anti-social behaviour and arson prevention. The presentation was delivered through Durham County Council and Darlington Fire and Rescue.

The Oddballs Foundation delivered an assembly to our Year 11 students. The charity raises awareness around Testicular Cancer and the signs to look out for.





IMPACT

This term we launched IMPACT, which stands for; interactions, manners, preparation, curiosity and tolerance. Students have been rewarded with IMPACT points for displaying these behaviours and so far this term we have awarded over 17,000 IMPACT points. Once students have been awarded 10 points in a category then the letter will light up on their EASI homepage - which of the letters has your child collected? Once students have collected each of the letters they will be awarded with an IMPACT badge.

Duke of Edinburgh

We celebrated with students and parents at our Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award ceremony. The students have worked so hard and it was lovely to celebrate all of their efforts.

Students have the opportunity to sign up to the Award in Year 9.



Find out more...

A reminder that you can find out more about our PSHE and RSE curriculum on the school website or by clicking the link below:

<https://www.easingtonacademy.co.uk/curriculum/pshe-and-relationship-and-sex-education-rse>

Children in Need

This year we raised money for Children in Need with a non-uniform day, 'bearpees' challenge and some glitter. Our Student Leadership Team did a great job adding some sparkle to everyone's day. Synergy came out victorious in the 'bearpees' challenge, completing over 200 'bearpees'.

In total we raised a wonderful £504.20 for Children in Need.



12 Days of Christmas

The 12 Days of Christmas is always a busy but exciting time of year and this year was no different. A favourite with the students was our annual Christmas Karaoke, it was brilliant to see so many of our students getting involved in this. The 'decorate a Christmas door' competition was fiercely competitive yet again, a big well done to 11BAT who were voted the winners (you can see their Christmas door below). It was also great to see so many of our students wearing a Christmas jumper, which led to us raising over £300 for Save the Children. Our winning house for this half term was Team Synergy and they will enjoy hot chocolate with all the trimmings on Wednesday break time. Another favourite amongst students was the 'Santa Paws' competition, in form time: each day students had to guess which festive pet belonged to which member of staff. Key Stage 4 also enjoyed a festive movie night where they watched A Christmas Carol, which also formed part of their GCSE English revision.

