

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT AT EASINGTON ACADEMY THIS TERM



Term 3

July 2024

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 healthy relationships, alcohol and vaping. Year 8 students have covered consent and mental health. Year 9 students have focused on consent and contraception. Our Year 10 students have explored careers, the labour market and marriage.



Sextortion

Earlier in the term we informed you that the National Crime Agency had sent an alert following the increase in the number of young people who were becoming victims of 'sextortion'. Since then all students have taken part in a World Ready lesson on the topic. Please continue to discuss the topic with your child at home to remind them of the dangers.

Paris

A group of Year 8 and 9 students travelled to Paris to explore the sights and practise their French. The students visited the Eiffel Tower, Euro Disney, Sacre Coeur, the Louvre and had a cruise down the Seine. The students also had the opportunity to try French cuisines, including crêpes and croissants. Our budding linguists had a brilliant experience and we can't wait to see how their French has developed having had the opportunity to put it into practice.



Duke of Edinburgh

This year we had 15 students taking part in the Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award and 37 in the Bronze Award. The students walked along Hadrian's Wall, with the Silver students covering 30 miles in three days and the Bronze students covering 15 miles over two days. The students also had to ensure they were self-sufficient by carrying their tents, stoves and food for the weekend. In the past year our students have accumulated a staggering 1,560 volunteering hours, which has a social value of £8236.



Whenever you are around water:

STOP AND THINK

Take time to assess your surroundings. Look for the dangers and always research local signs and advice.

STAY TOGETHER

When around water always go with friends or family. Swim at a lifeguarded venue.

In an emergency:

CALL 999

Ask for the Fire and Rescue Service when inland and the Coastguard if at the coast. Don't enter the water to rescue.

FLOAT

Fall in or become tired - stay calm, float on your back and call for help. Throw something that floats to somebody that has fallen in.

Assembly Highlights

All year groups received an assembly on water safety. If you would like to discuss this in more depth with your child then you can access some useful resources here: <https://www.rlss.org.uk/share-summer-water-safety>



This half term 7LNI, 8MWA, 8NSE and 9LMO delivered IMPACT assemblies on tolerance. The students involved spoke with such confidence in front of their peers and they should be very proud of their contributions.

We rounded off the academic year with a celebration assembly for each year group. Students received house point badges, IMPACT badges and certificates of achievement for individual subjects.

Student Leadership Team

We recently elected our new Student Leadership Team for the next academic year. After writing letters of application, students were interviewed and shortlisted for the role of Student President. Students developed their own manifesto and spent three days campaigning to try and win votes. At the end of the campaign all students and staff got the opportunity to vote for who they would like as their Student President. This allowed students to develop an understanding of the democratic process and how this works in Britain. A huge well done to Archie (Y9) and Mikey (Y10) who were elected as our new Student Presidents.

NELT Concert

Our students took part in the NELT Summer Concert at the Glass House (formerly the Sage). Our students brought the magic of the movies to the stage as they performed The Power of Love, Earth Angel and Johnny B Goode from Back to the Future. Our soloists performed alongside other students from schools within the Trust in a number of amazing group performances. Their hard work truly paid off as their performance was spectacular.



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>

Trust Debate Competition

Caitlin, Abigail and Darcy represented the school in the annual NELT Debate Competition. Speaker Darcy confidently delivered a compelling argument for the question 'Has social media destroyed the ability to communicate human to human?' and responded brilliantly to a grilling from Rye Hills! Our Questioner Caitlin also put in a fantastic performance against Bedlington Academy on the questions 'Should private jets be allowed?'. Well done girls!



Activity Days

Students in years 7-9 took part in a range of activities as part of our annual event. Tubing was again one of the most popular activities with students tackling the River Tees. All year groups got the opportunity to visit Flamingo Land where they took on many of the rides and also explored the zoo. Some students stayed closer to home on the nature trek, where they cooked their own lunch on a portable stove. Forbidden Corner featured again this year with students exploring a labyrinth of tunnels, chambers and surprises! For the first time this year students had the opportunity to visit Northumberland Zoo, where the lemurs were a popular choice. A group of students also enjoyed an amazing residential trip to Lockerbie, where they tried lots of fun activities like abseiling and climbing. In the evening they tucked into toasted marshmallows around the fire.

