

Collett Catch-Up



The Collett School
Special Educational Needs

Friday 7th July 2017

Class Fun

Hawthorn Class went to Cassiobury Park last Monday, making the most of the good weather. They really enjoyed it. The best thing was the fishing.

Fox Class went to Gravity Force in St Albans this week. The pupils had a great time but a member of staff was a little over zealous on the trampoline and has unfortunately ended up in hospital with a broken leg. We wish Mr Double the best for a speedy recovery.

Big Week

Thursday last week was the last day for our Year 11 pupils. Many of them have been at The Collett School since they were small so it was an emotional time for them, their friends and the staff. They spent the morning visiting their friends and the staff around school, all of them writing a farewell message in their year book. It was then time for them to go home and enjoy some pampering before returning to school for their prom.

Mrs Mills had made decorations for the tables and hall, made all the food and purchased the drinks, so with thanks to Mrs Mills and several other members of staff the hall looked fantastic. As the pupils and their families arrived they walked through a screen of bubbles, stopped on the red matting path for their photo opportunity and were then welcomed with claps and cheers from the staff. Every single one of them looked fantastic in their suits and dresses. Mrs Wells had compiled a video of each pupil with photos and an interview. The pupils recalled what it was like to start at The Collett School all those years ago and their favourite members of staff. Each pupil was then presented with a certificate and a year book. Miss Town, the Teaching Assistant from Aspen Class, made a beautiful cake for everyone.

Independence Day

Everyone enjoyed the Independence Day dinner on Tuesday. There was a burger in a bun, Quorn hot dog, savoury wedges, Boston beans, corn on the cob and chocolate brownie.



Having fun fishing



Leaver's Prom

Transition Day

Thursday morning our existing pupils visited their new classrooms and were joined by their new classmates who will be joining in September. The morning was a great success.

Cookery

Last week Olive class had their class picnic with family and friends; sharing delicious sausage rolls, veggie rolls, bacon and tomato mini quiches, feta and spring onion cheques, chocolate and orange brownies and lemon drizzle cake.

The students were amazing hosts and made the adults very proud of their behaviour and accomplishments.

Some made berry muffins with summer fruits and low fat lemon yoghurt, others made low fat cheese cakes.

<https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/12218/strawberry-cheesecakes>

This week has been another busy week in the Collett kitchen:

- Talking about healthy packed lunches and made wraps
- Discussed what the pupils do when they are hungry at home and made, beans toast and cooked egg (fried, boiled, scrambled or poached).
- Prepared dishes for The Great Hertfordshire Bake Off, held on Friday 7th at The Old Rectory, Church Lane, Sarratt, WD3 6HJ. You are very welcome to come along and support us.

Mrs Curran, Cookery Teacher

In Store NOW!!!!

When you shop in a local Tesco Store please ask for your 'blue disc' to vote for The Collett School. Voting will be running until Thursday 31st August

"Bags of Help is Tesco's exciting local community grant scheme where the money raised from the 5p bag charge is being used to fund thousands of local projects in communities right across the UK.

Launched in 2015, Bags of Help sees charities and community organisations awarded grants to fund local projects. Three community projects in each local area will be voted on by customers in Tesco stores throughout the UK, with projects changing every other month. Following the vote, the project that received the most votes in its area will receive a grant of up to £4,000, second place receiving up to £2,000 and third place up to £1,000. Customers are given a token when they buy their shopping that they can use to make their choice using the voting units in most stores.



Groundwork - the community charity with a green heart - administers the funding and is working with Greenspace Scotland to support successful projects in Scotland.”

Game ... Set ... and Match!

11th July the school dinners will be following a Wimbledon Theme. There will be a Championship Chicken Wrap, Game Set and Mac ‘n’ Cheese, Wimbledon Wedges, New Balls Peas, Courtside Carrots, Strawberries and Cream. (I would just like to say that I did not come up with the menu puns.) If your child does not normally have a school dinner on a Tuesday but would like to join in please contact the school office. A junior meal is £2.40, senior meal £2.55. Please pay when booking the school dinner.

The Inclusion Project

“I am Maggie and I used to work at Landmark, Oaklands College. I now run a franchise called the The Inclusion Project which I feel would benefit your pupils. We offer a day and evening service to young adults with learning difficulties. We run our service Monday to Saturday in the day and evenings and all year round. The aim of our project is to integrate people with learning difficulties in to the community by doing various activities like bowling, volunteer work and swimming. Our service is for people aged 16 years and over. We are flexible and our participants can attend as and when they want. It’s something they can attend if they don’t have school or college. Transport is included.

I give below a link to our website which also has a short promotional video on it which will explain further. <https://inclusionproject.co.uk/>”

Big Garden Party, Saturday 22 July

Dacorum Borough Council – “We will be kicking off the festival with the Big Garden Party to celebrate the reopening of the Jellicoe’s Water Gardens. This fun filled family day will include the official opening at 11am, followed by live entertainment from 11.30am to 4.30pm, with a wide range of food and community stalls and activities throughout the Water Gardens. This includes miniature garden making, model boats, creepy crawlies (AmeyZoo), crafts, mini-tours and many more. Food and drink will be available, including prosecco and Pimm's, crepes, curry, strawberries and cream, perfect for a family picnic along the water gardens. - See more at:

<https://www.themarlowes.co.uk/events/2017/hemel-summer-festival/#sthash.drGeKM5g.dpuf>”



Theme Dinner

We will be having a stall at the Garden Party on 22nd July, so please come along and say hello.

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Not only are you raising 1% of your Co-op spend for our school you also receive 5% back for yourself ... a 'Win Win' situation and during my recent trip to all the local stores I discovered they have some brilliant offers on.

Please tell your family and friends about how they can support us and help buy much needed equipment for the pupils.

Achievements and Results

Achievements

Reading Award – Nina, Harry, Maddox, Shaun, Shuhag, Edith, Phoebe, George M has two!

Silver Award – Joshua M, Owuraku

Gold Award – Edith, Lewis D, Jasmine, Tristen, Isobel, Emily, Marcus, Mahnoor, Ellie, Thomas, Harvey, Jasmin E

Platinum Award – Mahima, Lillie, Alfie, Josh, Murray, Carla, Dominic, Kian, Temur

Headteachers Award – Maddox, Hannah

Governor's Award - George



Friday Assembly

Owl Class showed us their fantastic work and skills this morning. They have been working very hard and look as though they have enjoyed it too. Thank you for sharing this with us.

Mr Hoult-Allen presented our 'Graduates' with their certificates this morning. The stage was full with pupils who will be graduating from Lower School to Middle School and then those pupils who will be graduating from Middle School to Upper School. It is lovely to see the pupils grow physically but also emotionally and academically. Congratulations!

Ricky was in the Spot Light this morning, he has been playing football for Watford. They recently drew against Arsenal but won against Manchester City. Well Done Ricky!

It was lovely to see the stage full of pupils dancing and singing along to 'Reach for the Stars' by S Club 7. There was one pupil who really stood out for me, Mahima. She had the biggest, most beautiful smile on her face and was really enjoying herself. It is because of moments like this that I work at The Collett School.

Temur thrilled everyone with his Talent Spot, singing 'Baby' by Justin Bieber. He not only sang the words but also rocked the moves.

Forthcoming Events

July Events

Monday 10th July – Vole Class to Gravity Force

Tuesday 11th July – Donkey Sanctuary

Tuesday 11th July – Wimbledon Theme Dinner

Thursday 13th July – Year 9 Picnic at Oaklands College

Friday 14th July – Sports Day 10:00 am start, Parents & Carers Welcome

Mon 17th – Fri 21st July – Lower School Activities Week

Monday 17th July - Hare Class to Gravity Force

Friday 21st July - Drama Performance 1 pm & 7 pm

Monday 24th July - 1 pm FINISH FOR SUMMER HOLIDAYS

Mrs Rachael Lampey

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Playing for Watford