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"Be the best you can be"

KS3

Spring Term 2 2023

Dear All,

As always it has been an action-packed half-term. We have been working hard and learners have begun reintegrating back into school. We are really proud of the progress they are making and are enjoying helping them make better choices.

World Book Day was celebrated and learners continued to have fun at Forest Schools. There have been visits from the Police—Lives not Knives campaign, and family members have joined us to give thanks. Learners also had enjoyed taking part in 'Feel Good' activities and boxing has been a firm favourite.

We wish all our learners, staff and their families a restful Easter break.

The Key Stage 3 Team

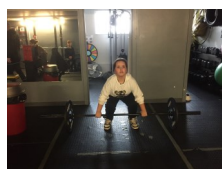
The half term in pictures



World Book Day This year we marked World Book Day with a week of activities, promoting the enjoyment of reading. We kicked off the week with a 'Where's Wally Hunt', where staff made convincing Wallys. We went on a book treasure hunt, where learners took turns to read aloud the clues and book extracts. Michael Rosen's poem Chocolate Cake inspired us to read recipes and bake our own cakes. Our vouchers were spent in Waterstones, where we chose books to read back in Centre. And... of course there was dress up of some of our favourite characters: Maltilda and Miss Honey, Mary Poppins dropped in too. Look at worldbookday.com for ideas for you to try at home.



Boxing The learners have thoroughly enjoyed PE sessions at Warriors ABC gym. Ethan has been a fantastic coach and taught basic fitness and strength, alongside the basics of boxing. The learners have encouraged each other and supported each other to develop their skills. They have listened and followed instructions brilliantly! They have also been amazing at deadlifting, 60lbs is the top lift so far.



Forest Schools We have been lucky enough to keep visiting Hudnall Park to continue taking part in Forest Schools sessions. This half term we have enjoyed cooking on the campfire— hotdogs were a favourite. Learners have been practising balancing on the strap line— it took a lot of resilience to put the line up at first. Others have enjoyed building camps and playing their own games in the woods. Sandra and Gina have been fantastic leaders and have been teaching us many new skills.



Giving Thanks KS3 have been showing gratitude to their families this half term. They planned and made a special giving thanks tea party. The cakes, sausage rolls and sandwiches were delicious and they enjoyed sharing the experience with others. We also shared our success books and celebrated the positive progress being made by all. All the staff are very proud of the learners.

