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# Seven Hills News

## Message from Headteacher

As we reach the end of a very busy half term (and year!), it's a good moment to pause and reflect on just how much we've packed in. This newsletter offers just a snapshot of some of the highlights from the last couple of months, and there really have been plenty to celebrate.

From the energy and excitement of Rock Kidz to the joy and enthusiasm brought by Singing Hands, there have been some wonderful moments that have filled our school with music, movement and smiles.

As the holidays begin, we wish all our families a peaceful and well-earned break. We hope you're able to enjoy some quality time together, whatever your plans may be. We look forward to welcoming everyone back refreshed for the new year ahead.

## Dates for your Diary

SPRING TERM 2026	
Monday 5th January	Students return to school
Wednesday 11 February	Safer Internet Day
Thursday 12 February	Break up at 2.45pm
Friday 13 February	School <b>closed</b> to students
<b>Monday 16 February – Friday 20 February</b>	<b>Half Term Holiday</b>
Monday 23 February	Students return to school
Wednesday 4 March	The Bridge & Peaks Parent Evening (more information to follow)
Thursday 5 March	World Book Day
Wednesday 11 March	Granville Road Parent Evening (more information to follow)
Wednesday 25 March	World Maths Day
Friday 27 March	Break up at 2.45pm
<b>Monday 30 March – Friday 10 April</b>	<b>Easter Holiday</b>

## Anti-Bullying Week

For anti-bullying week in October, students wore odd socks to celebrate everyone's uniqueness. Classes also completed 'acts of kindness' around school such as giving their friends cards to thank them,



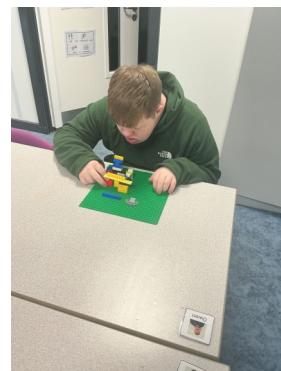
## 7GM Park Trips

Students in 7GM have been going on trips to Norfolk Park to explore their community as part of their Outdoor Learning topic. Students also took turns to play on equipment and visited the café to practise their life skills.



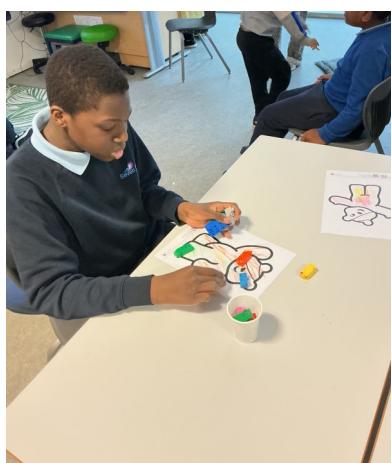
## 16LT - Topic Work

16LT have been busy exploring our topic "My Home." Students had a trip to IKEA to see different types of furniture and home designs. Back in class, they've been getting creative by using a variety of materials to design and build their own houses! Students have developed their problem-solving, teamwork, and fine motor skills, while also learning to express their own ideas about what "home" means to them. It's been wonderful to see their imagination and teamwork shine through in every project.



## Children in Need

Students from across school challenged themselves to take part in the Children in Need 'Take 25' day. Classes participated in events such as run or walk 25 laps, kick 25 footballs or complete a 25 question quiz. We raised £470.19 altogether!



## Rock Kidz

On the 18th November, Rock Kidz came to Seven Hills to deliver a workshop for the Enquiry pathway. Students attended performances that raise the “profile of well being and PSHE through the power of music”. Students had lots of fun singing and dancing!



## Singing Hands

Singing Hands came into school on the 20th and 21st November to lead musical workshops across school! Once again, students (and staff) had so much fun, singing, dancing and signing along – Suzanne and Tracy took audience requests so students and staff could join in with their favourite songs!



# Steel Drum Workshop

For the introduction of the Discovery and Investigation pathways Autumn term topic 'Mighty Metals', students watched a steel drum performance! They enjoyed watching, dancing and moving to the music as well as learning how to play the steel drums in class workshops.



## Enquiry Seven Hills News

Key Stage 4 classes in the Enquiry pathway have been learning about the 'Blue Abyss'. Over the term, they have been using a green screen to record news segments about pollution and ocean life. Families were invited into school for a screening of Seven Hills News. Classes enjoyed creating these videos and the event was as a real hit with both families and students!



# Christmas Jumper Days

Over the past couple of weeks, students and staff have worn their most Christmassy outfits to show support of Theo's Christmas Jumper Day for Sheffield Children's Hospital and Save the Children. It has been great to see everyone in their outfits and getting in the festive spirit!



## Online Safety Top Tips

### Creating healthy online habits

It's crucial for parents/carers to support their child in managing their time online. Make talking about your child's life online a part of your daily conversations. The more you talk about the internet together, the more comfortable your child will be to come to you when they need support. Take an interest in the things they like online. What YouTuber they watch? Which influencer do they like? Why? Does anyone say or do anything online that makes them upset?

Monitoring children's access to the internet, social media or their phones can help prevent them being exposed to several risks that can affect both their physical and mental health, as well as their social well-being.

- **Establish rules for all devices, where can they use their device? What time can they use it till? Where are devices kept at night?**
  - **Use parental controls and set time limits.**
  - **Model healthy habits for your child to learn**

## Parent Events

Big thanks to all our families who've taken part in our support events. From parent sessions to wellbeing walks, we've been creating some really valuable spaces to connect.

This term's been packed. We ran a super helpful workshop about "Preparation for Adulthood" that gave parents some really great advice and information.

Heeley City Farm attended a coffee morning that was full of learning and fun. We took a group of parents to Scotia Works for an ADHD and Autism drop in session where we met lots of different professions offering a whole host of support and advice.

And not forgetting our so popular Wellbeing Walks which continue to be a hit! They're not just about exercise, but about bringing families together to chat, share, and support each other.

The feedback we're getting is incredible. It tells us we're doing something right in building a supportive, connected community. Thanks for being part of our school family!

If you anybody is needing any additional help or support please contact me on 0114 3082002.

Sharanah, School family support officer.

*"I gained lots of knowledge with regard to supporting my child. It would be virtually impossible for a parent to access consultancy services from this many professional bodies in such a convenient and time-effective way. Once again thank you for your support and look forward to your next session."*

*"I will definitely attend these sessions in the future as I really enjoyed it. Good to get out and get fresh air and meet people."*