

Dear Parents, Carers, and Families,

### General updates

This week our younger learners have enjoyed a day of multisensory storytelling which has been brought to the school by Bag Books, a literacy charity who write and make multi-sensory stories for children and young people with profound learning difficulties and children on the autistic spectrum.



The stories are based on a collection of large A3 cards which have a sentence and a sensory object attached which learners can feel, smell or hear and be visually stimulated by shiny, bright, bold colours. The storytelling session was held in our new library which will be officially opened next Tuesday, 14 November.



Our younger learners also explored props from a new story "The Tiny Seed" and went on a sensory trail around the school to photograph plants.

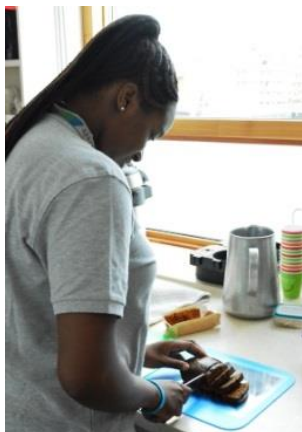
Older learners explored the creation of the earth – using seaweed to explore oceans, vibrations for dinosaurs as well as using paints to explore rock art.



This week we also celebrated our young people achieving the Jack Petchy awards. The awards cover many skills and qualities including being a positive role model, achieving independence being kind, helping others and having a great work ethic. Congratulations to all our Jack Petchy winners!



We celebrated the end of the week with an informal coffee morning for all our parents, carers and families. Thank you to all those who were able to come along – it was wonderful to see so many of you. We hope this will become a regular feature of the school calendar and give you time and



space to chat informally with staff and other parents about anything and everything! It was a very special occasion as refreshments were prepared and served by our young post 16 students.

Finally, this week all our learners will have medium terms plans ready and these will be sent home to you.

### **What's coming up next week?**

Next week some of our young people will be going out to a local restaurant for lunch - ordering and sampling some delicious Italian delicacies. We will also have news about our greetings cards for the coming festive season.

Best wishes,



Monika Gaweda, Head of School

# CAMDEN SPECIAL PARENTS FORUM

## EHCP Workshop

How to get the best annual review/transfer review for your child.



**When** Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November, 10am – 12pm  
**Where** Pirate Castle, Oval Road, NW1 7EA (Camden)

Are you about to have an annual review of your child's EHCP or a transfer review for your child's statement?

Do you know the difference?

Do you know what an Independent Supporter is?

This is a great information session for anyone facing an annual review of their child's EHCP. Guiding you through the process, showing how you can be involved and how to get support.

### What will you get out of it?

- An overview and understanding of what to expect from the annual/transfer review process and the legal aspects.
- Advice on getting support through the process.
- Advice on how to have your say and contribute to your child getting the best provision.
- An opportunity to book a one to one session with a KIDS Independent Supporter



The trainer will be:  
Traci Pope who is a KIDS Independent Supporter and works with families in Camden throughout the process of EHC Plans.

To book onto this workshop please email [Maria.schultz@kids.org.uk](mailto:Maria.schultz@kids.org.uk), call or text 07711 767258, or call the KIDS office on 0207 359 3635 and ask for Rachel or Maria. Please do keep an eye on facebook, add your name to our contact list and keep in touch. <https://www.facebook.com/CamdenSpecialParentsForum>