



Thursday, 06 April 2023

Dear Parent / Carer

Assalamu alaikum - Peace be with you

It has been a shorter term than expected, under thirteen weeks of learning with closures to do with teacher strike days and a health and safety problem with the supply of water. However, no matter what challenges we have had, we have persevered and so planned to deliver learning and enrichment experiences to our pupils with your support and understanding. This strong partnership makes all the difference to ensure the future success of all our children. Thank you for your on-going support.

Some of the highlights from this term:

- School Culture Day, we raised over £500 for the needy
- The Brilliant Club - graduation for our pupils at Wadham College, Oxford University
- Interform Football Competitions
- Year 9 Top Volunteer at Aik Saath met Prince William
- Motivational Speaker Wessen Al-Shamary with Year 7
- First Give Final 2023 - Presentations evening for their chosen local charities @AikSaath @SloughRefugee @SloughFoodbank @TurningPointUK
- Holocaust Memorial Day, 'Ordinary People'
- Feathers & Fur, Falconry centre at Eden - English Department: October October
- National Apprenticeship Week activities and special presentations
- Careers Insight with Orange Business
- Year 9 Regional Finalists and runners up at the Princes Trust Enterprise Challenge with Orange
- GirlsGetSet Programme, STEM project to reduce our carbon footprint
- World Book Day – school dressed in book characters
- Solicitor Apprenticeship presentation to all pupils
- International – A world leader in engineering Babcock plc, Apprenticeships
- Brasenose College, Oxford at Eden explaining the application process for Oxbridge entry
- An Inspector Calls at the Aylesbury Waterside Theatre
- Apprenticeship engagement workshops with guest speakers
- War Poetry at the National Army Museum, Year 8
- Empowering Author Sufiya Ahmed talks with our pupils
- Pupils visit to Shakhsiyah Primary to read with their pupils
- Computer Science programme at Brunel University
- International Women's Day
- British Science Week
- Star Awards held in Blackburn, in attendance with our pupils and staff
- Dot Thomson, Chair of Governors won the highest accolade at the Star Awards: **Spirit of Star**
- World's Largest Online Maths Competition
- Careers Day at Eden with many professional guest speakers from a range of occupations
- Spirituality Day – Preparation for Ramadhan
- Mock Trial Competition held at The Reading Crown Court
- Bikeability training at Eden
- The Living Rainforest with Year 7
- GoApe – Year 11 Motivational and Teambuilding
- Asthma Friendly School Training





- Comic Relief
- Empowering Speeches @ Eton-College Symposium with our Y11
- Eden's Got Talent Show
- Duke of Edinburgh - preparation sessions
- Foodbank for our most needy and vulnerable families
- Ramadhan Enrichment and Charitable Appeals
- Heathrow Engineering Insights Programme, work experience
- International Women's Day with guest speakers @PioneerSchoolAcademy
- The Big Iftar 2023

This is the link to our Student Leadership Newsletter – Eden Times [SWAY LINK](#), please do read and see all we do.

Towards the end of the term the Big Iftar was a beautiful, reflective, and spiritual event had by all. Our special faith dignitaries gave their perspective on this special time of year and their experiences of helping others. Our children who presented and helped, were bright stars, showcasing all we do to serve our communities and reflect our servitude to Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala – The Most Glorified, The Highest). Our staff are a testament to all they do to support events of such high calibre and importance through their hard work and commitment for our children's future success.

Thank you in advance to parents of Year 10 and Year 11, who will ensure they attend the GCSE Easter Revision Programme, it is such an important time for them to get this extra help for their GCSE exams.

The Summer Term will focus on public exams for Year 11 and Year 10, and other year groups in preparation for their end of year tests, setting them up for future success. And of course, looking forward to our end of year activities week.

I do hope you find time for spiritual reflection, rest, and relaxation with your family over the holiday period and return refreshed and ready for the summer term.

I would like to ask for your prayers for our school during this blessed month of Ramadhan and I pray the Almighty Grants us the will and perseverance to help others less fortunate than us, through charitable works and we strive in the best of values and ideals for each other. Ameen.

I hope that you and your family will have a wonderful end to Ramadhan and a joyful Eid full of happiness, enjoyment, love, and unity. Insha'Allah – God willing.

Take care
Was-Salaam (May peace be upon you)

Sajid Khaliq
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