



Play Therapy Fun!

Play Therapy –
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Those children who attend play therapy have been experiencing lots of different textures including slime, Play-Doh, Orbies, shaving foam and coloured rice.

The benefits gained from play therapy are amazing and include giving the child a safe place to express their thoughts and feelings.

Play Therapy:

- Facilitates the development of self-esteem, problem solving and coping skills.
- Supports emotional healing and growth.
- Assists children in making decisions, and accepting responsibility for these.
- Boosts social skills.

We have lots of fun, explore and express.

Hair and Beauty Autumn Term 1 2019

On Monday 7.10.19 staff and 1 student from the hair and beauty group went to Salon International student day at Excel in London, which is a hair show event. We looked around all of the different stalls and watched hair tutorials. We had a really fun day and it was interesting to watch stylists from Toni & Guy, Schwarzkopf, Wella and other renowned brands creating different looks, colours and styles with different hair types, products and hair styling tools. We looked at barbering tools and techniques, hair colouring tutorials, demonstrations and managed to try out new products such as cordless hair straighteners.

Topics we have been covering in hair and beauty in school this term are hair styling and equipment used, health and safety and manicures and pedicures. Next term we will be moving on to false nail application and advanced pedicures using paraffin wax.



Muddy Meerkats!

This half term Meerkats class have really enjoyed their offsite learning at the Farm and Forest school. On a Tuesday and a Thursday afternoon they all take part in a carousel of activities; horse riding, farm studies and Social skills. Here they can take part in practical activities to facilitate different learning opportunities.

This half term activities have included; learning about health and safety at the farm, dissecting owl pellets and building dens at forest school; and learning how to groom a pony and the basics of riding in horse riding lessons.

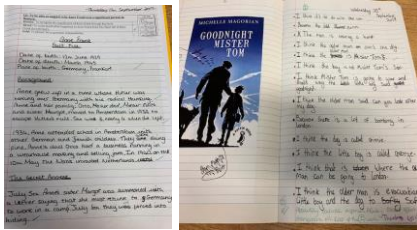
The children have all been so enthusiastic and engaged in their learning, but most of all they have enjoyed getting really muddy!



KS3/4 English

This half term students have either been working on Goodnight Mister Tom or The Diary of Anne Frank. Students have been very engaged with these texts and have produced some fantastic work.

Students watched the film for Goodnight Mister Tom and watched an Anne Frank documentary, as well as exploring a virtual tour of 'The Secret Annex' where Anne hid for two years with seven other people.



A long side these reading topics students have been working on extended writing tasks and planning an oral presentation. Many students have worked extremely hard overcoming their fears of standing in front of an audience and delivering a presentation. Topics covered range from 'What are the health

ASDAN – Certificate of Personal Effectiveness

This term all students at Anglia Way have started working towards a new ASDAN qualification - Certificate of Personal Effectiveness. This involves them learning about and practising key skills such as working as part of a team, planning and giving and oral presentation and taking part in group discussions. The qualification offers students a chance to enhance their knowledge in varying topics including health and fitness, values and beliefs, citizenship and community, independent living and expressive arts. Students will continue to work through different activities throughout the year to obtain their qualification.



CoPE
Certificate of Personal Effectiveness
Levels 1 and 2 student book



Cakes for Charity!

On Friday 27th September we held a MacMillan coffee morning at our Wisbech School, Anglia Way site. Staff and students handed out invites to the local businesses and invites were sent home to parents and carers. We had a brilliant turn out and raised £152.00 in two hours!

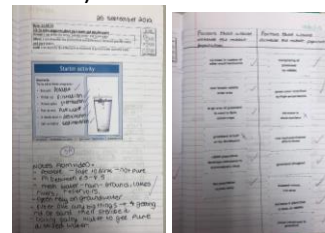
Staff and students worked as a team and helped together to lay the tables with cakes and prepare drinks. The school was decorated inside and out with bunting, MacMillan tables cloths and cake decorations.

Posters were put up on the school gates including posters that students had made themselves. Our lovely neighbouring businesses donated cakes and helped us raise money for the charity. Both staff and students baked cakes for the event and they went down a treat with visitors.



Science and PSHE

This half - term we covered the GCSE Science AQA Synergy. Pupils Found the Climate change, Sources of Potable water and Development of the early earth interesting. Attempted to answer the ELC Science Paper (Biology, Environment, evolution and inheritance) in an exam environment.



In PSHE we have covered 'Votes for Schools' weekly topics and also 4 Challenges from Module 12 of the ASDAN Certificate of Personal Effectiveness Level 1 and 2 student book. These challenges have been filed in pupils' CoPE folders. The outstanding topic which the students engaged very well was "**Could we live without single use plastic**". Students shared their opinions and discussed with other peers.



PE

For this half term the children's focus for PE at Sessions House has been teamwork and communication. Over the course of the half term we have been extremely impressed with how well the children have worked and fully grasped the idea of working together. Although the children have had many difficult challenges throughout their lessons, they have shown how well they can work together as well as having a great time learning new games.



Horse Riding

This half term Smarties and Puffins have really enjoyed Horse Riding. The pupils have grown in confidence and have thrived from learning about horses. All of the pupils are able to control a horse, walk and trot. Many of them now do this independently, without a guide rope or a member of staff. This has been important for the pupils because it has taught them patience, guidance and to trust their own instincts.



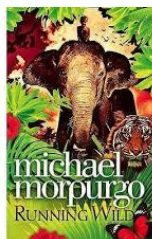
Rainforest Topic for Smarties and Puffins

Our main topic area this half-term has been Rainforests. We started off by locating where they were in the world before we started to study their structure. After that, we then looked at the more serious issue of deforestation and just how important the world's rainforests are to our planet. We have all realised that not only are they home to over 50% of the world's wildlife but they also provide us with lots of oxygen. We also found out that they get rid of lots of carbon dioxide which causes global warming. Then we discovered that most of the trees are cut down to grow more crops for us or for more room for cattle to graze for McDonalds and Burger King. We finished this half-term by writing a persuasive letter asking world leaders to stop deforestation.



Rainforest Reading

This term, whilst learning about rainforests, Smarties class have really enjoyed reading the book 'Running Wild' by Michael Morpurgo. They have discovered lots of new and interesting vocabulary and been able to discuss important issues about the rainforest, including the impact of deforestation. The children have been so engaged in the story, they have been willing staff to carry on reading so that they can find out what happens next!



KS3/4 Maths and ICT

Pupils are doing some fantastic work in Maths and ICT. They are working towards a level 2 in ICT and Maths and also GCSE Maths.

