

Summer Term Newsletter 2020



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Insights School remained open for the whole lockdown period and had students attending on both school sites. We have also run Zoom lessons so that those not attending school were not behind with their learning. Our virtual learning platform Doddle was accessed by students.

Many of our students have done work via the paper learning packs that were regularly sent out and returned by parents either via electronic devices or in person. We have conducted home doorstep visits once a week and also kept in touch with our students by regular phone calls.

Towards the end of the school year we had more students returning to school. All students were working in bubbles with allocated teachers and support staff.

#Onsite Learning | #Virtual Learning | #Home Learning | #Food Vouchers | #Door Step Visits

Farewell to our School Leavers

Goodbye to our students finishing Insights School. This year our Year 11 leavers were Glendon, Shaqir, Mateen and Christian. As a farewell treat, they attended the gaming bus activity and had a meal at Nando's afterwards. We wish them all the best for the future and will miss them.

Lockdown

Some students have shared with us what they were doing during the lockdown period and how they were feeling during that time.

Josh was building a pond in his back garden with his family.



And Lewis was doing a lot of home cooking.



Other students have been walking and exercising at home.



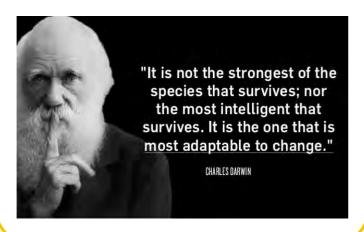
Summer Activities

Now we are approaching the end of the school year and restrictions have eased down, we managed to put in place some of the summer activities that usually the students attend towards the end of the Summer Term.

This year's activities included: Foot Golf, Fishing, Horse Riding, Open space Go karting, Wakeboarding, Sports challenges, and the gaming bus.



Quote of the Term



Lockdown Diary

We encouraged our students to write how they felt during lockdown - Here is what Starree wrote in his Diary:

"Having online lessons is very different to being in the classroom and I struggle with motivation. Since we don't know how much longer lockdown will go on, I guess I just have to start getting used to it. Hopefully, everything can go back to normal soon. I'm hoping that I will at least be able to see my friends sometime before the holidays because in September I will be in a new class and more than half of my friends won't be there to keep me company.

What is strange is that my school keeps sending me homework!!! Do they think I will really sit and complete it? No way!!! I'm planning my own activities..."







Insights Has Talent 2020

Unfortunately, due to social distancing, students and parents were unable to come and see Insights Has Talent and join in the usual big celebration. However, students recorded their acts for the show and a short video was created to highlight the occasion.

Acts included:

- Football Challenges by Remano and Rueben
- Luther King and staff did lockdown challenges such as domino and tower building, jump rope challenges, flexibility tasks and athletics
- JB did drumming to The White Stripes by Seven Nation Army
- Nadine did a sing along to Proud Mary by Tina Turner
- Harry played Changes by XXXTENTACION on the piano

Summer Activities on Site

We have also had some summer activities taking place on the school site such as arts and crafts. Our students have been enjoying painting and making T-shirts. As well as taking part in activities in the courtyard and baking cookies.





Dates for Your Diary

- Staff Training Thu 3rd to Mon 7th September
- New Students' first day Tue 8th September
- Continuing Students first day Wed 9th

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- Staff Training Mon 12th October
 - → Half term Fri 23rd Oct Mon 2nd November
 - Staff training Tue 3rd November

- Students return Wed 4th November
- Parents evening Thu 3rd December
- Christmas Community Lunch Wed 9th December
- Students' last day Tue 15th December
- Staff training Wed 16th and Thu 17th December
- -> Christmas Break Fri 18th December Fri 1st January

We wish you all a restful, refreshing, and enjoyable Summer break and look forward to seeing you all in September.

