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Our Vision - Our Team- Our Voice



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The Newham Community Learning Trust recently held its annual Professional Learning Day on the 15th November, bringing together staff for a day of collaboration and growth. Support Staff delved into sessions on nurturing the Mind, Body, and Soul, while Teachers explored strategies to bridge the gap from Early Years to Key Stage 4. Meanwhile, Pastoral Staff focused on developing relationships, ensuring a holistic approach to student well-being. Staff at SBS were delighted to meet with Rachel McFarlane - the key note speaker who inspired us all with her ideas

Bertha Earth nature connect day

LH BHM 2024 Poetry Writing Competition Winners







Black History Month Learning Hub Competition Winners organised by Ms Kaur and supported by Mr Bentley.

Students won a hamper with prizes including signed copies of George the Poet's lastest book!

WINTER CONCERT 2024

The Winter Concert on Wednesday 4 December was a fantastic celebration of the musical achievements of students this term. The performances were a stand-out success and really brought light, hope and joy to the assembly hall. Thank you to all our friends and family who supported this event.



COMING UP NEXT WEEK IS OUR SCHOOL SHOW - TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW THROUGH PARENT PAY. PLEASE JOIN US



STUDENT VOICE - LISTENING AND CELEBRATING

One of the best bits of my job is talking to our awesome students. Often this is an informal chat in the Piazza.

Restaurant or Galleria when I am on duty at break and lunch but I also have regular meetings too. One of those meeting is the weekly Headteacher's Conference where I meet with a group of about 10 students who have been nominated by their Year Leader, Progress Leader and Year Team. This is an important opportunity for me to celebrate students successes and achievements and let them have a platform to showcase the great work they are doing in lessons.



It is also a great opportunity for students to give their feedback to me on what's going well in school and hear their ideas about the improvements we could make to our school. Last week the Year 9 Conference was led by Deputy Headteacher, Ms Evans, who was really impressed with the student's feedback on their learning and experience of school.

I also have weekly meetings with the Head Girl, Amaya, and Deputy Head Girls, Nigom, Sahreen, Ariana and Tanisha. These Student Leaders are powerful advocates for the students they represent and are making great progress with their manifesto pledges. For example last week Amaya and her team were proud to tell me about the Peer Mentoring sessions they have set up. These sessions give students in Year 10 the chance to get academic help and support from a Year 11 student. This might involve a session to explain equations in Maths or an Inspector Calls in English. The students have reported to me that not only is jut great to help students in lower years to themselves but it also helps them revise. Explaining a complex idea or skill to someone else helps strengthen their own confidence and understanding too.

Rae Potter (Headteacher)

SEND NEWS - INCLUSION FOR ALL STUDENTS

CHANGE OF DATE NOW MONDAY 9 DECEMBER

PARENT WORKSHOPS. MEET THE SENDCO AND INCLUSION TEAM 9:00am -10am and then again at 3:00pm- 4:00pm on Monday 9th December. If you are interested please email: charlie.dilger@sarahbonnell.ncltrust.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED PLEASE EMAIL: CHARLIE.DILGER@SARAHBONNELL.NCLTRUST.

PARENT WORKSHOP - MONDAY 16 DECEMBER 9AM AND AGAIN 3PM

SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD WITH EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONING SKILLS.

Executive function refers to skills that you use to manage everyday tasks like making plans, solving problems and adapting to new situations. The three main skills are working memory, cognitive flexibility and inhibition control.

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Mr Ayo Olukoga is now our trained Emotional Literacy Support Assistant or ELSA. An ELSA is a school professional who works with our students to build emotional development and help them to cope with life's challenges. The ELSA will help students to find solutions to any problems they might have. Please speak to Mr Olukoga if you have any questions.

