Community Bulletin Compass School

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Building Hearts and Minds and Structures!





As we look forward to a busy end of the year it is important to reflect on our core values, what we have achieved personally, as a community and what we are aiming to achieve in the coming year.

Over the last two weeks there have been many exciting developments at Compass and a lot to celebrate. Students have been exploring the historical contributions to our society by members of the LGBTQ+ community and observing and inventing ways to ensure that inclusivity and equality are in the forefront of thinking and that respectful and thoughtful communication is a habit. A range of Pride activities in Learning Family Time and lessons have highlighted this ethos and I'm proud of the entire staff team and the student body for their enthusiasm and creativity in conveying this message of kindness and respect.

We have had plenty of sporting events for students organised by our Head of P.E. Mr Flowers and Coach Simon. There have been visits to Bacon's College for basketball and we have, in our turn, hosted Bacon's for a table tennis tournament onsite. We look forward to an exciting Sports Day for students and will share the outcomes of events on Twitter, Facebook and in our school publications.

We have been delighted to be able to share and benefit from the talents of our Head of Creative Arts, Mr May and the talents and skills he has developed in the cast and crew of the Year 11 production of Macbeth at Theatre Peckham; students in Years 9 and 10 were able to visit and watch the play that they will study and are currently studying for their English GCSE respectively.

Building works continue for our new school building next door. While it is sometimes noisy as they finish demolishing the existing building, it has been fascinating to observe the rate of progress, the feats of engineering and levels reached to ensure that everything that can possibly be recycled is done with care and efficiency! I have enjoyed sharing this opportunity to observe the process with students and particularly those who have been working in enrichment sessions with our advocates, Construction Youth Group. These students have worked hard to produce a fantastic new bench for their school playground and should be as proud as we all are, of their impressive achievement, a concrete embodiment of perseverance and creativity!

Marcus Huntley

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DofE expedition - 9th - 11th July Prize-giving - 15th July 5pm - 6:30pm

Sports Day - 19th July

DofE expedition - 20th - 22nd July

Last day of term - 22nd July early close 2:55pm

Year 11 Prom - 22nd July 7pm

Year 11 GCSE results Day - 12th August



Surveying the progress!

Please see links to our <u>Twitter</u> page, <u>Compass School Website</u> and for our <u>Facebook</u> page.



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PRIDE Celebrations MONTH Continue!

Students have enjoyed presentations and activities to celebrate and highlight Pride 2021 in Learning Family Time since we returned from the half-term break. In lessons, there have been investigations into the contributions and challenges of figures from the LGBTQ+ community. This has been followed up with creative decorations and badges to show solidarity and respect.







All angles in Origami for maths lessons celebrating Pride!

Sporting Fun for Students!

As we approach Sports Day, students have been enjoying exercising their competitive streak as a team-player and as individuals. We have missed out on the more regular fixtures of non-Covid times, so the chance to compete against another school on their home-ground and host matches ourselves has been very uplifting!

Going to Bacon's College for basketball games and having them visit us for a table tennis tournament this term was wonderful!

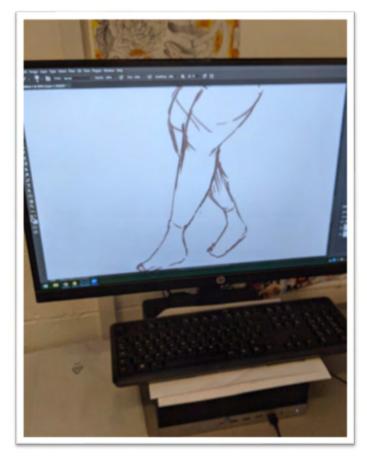
I would like to ask parents and carers to remind students the importance of bringing a water bottle to school every day and refilling it when they have the opportunity. We look forward to letting you know how they get on at Sports Day.



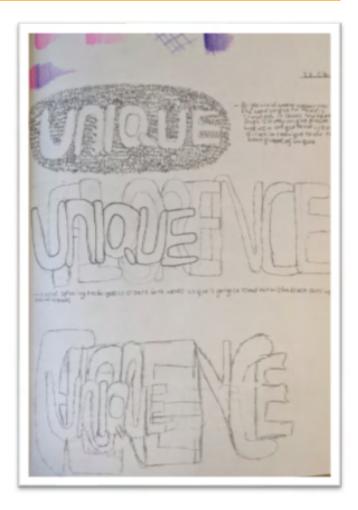


Awesome Art!

Amazing Aspiration!



Well done to Jessica-Fae in Year 9 for this great exploration for her final piece.



Well done to Eden in Year 8 for this fantastic piece of preparatory work for her final piece of her typography project!



Well done to Zoe in Year 10 for this excellent exploration of Hundertwasser!

Wellbeing

Mental Health

Compass students are regularly reminded to take care to look after their physical and mental wellbeing. We have continued to encourage students to express themselves through the arts, through speaking and taking time out to walk, exercise, listen to audiobooks or read for pleasure.

Giving is good for you!

Caring for and helping others has been proven to have positive effects on our own mental health and wellbeing. Students in Year 10 have begun in earnest their social action projects. Mr Huntley's class had the opportunity to have an online meeting with Yvonne from the Teenage Cancer Trust as part of their First Give social action project.





Please help us achieve our target of £500 to support young people with cancer. www.justgiving.com/fundraising/TeenageCancerTrust-CSS2021

Story

We are the Year 10 group from Compass School Southwark, we are doing several activities including a raffle, sponge the teacher and a penalty shootout to raise money for the charity called Teenage Cancer Trust. Please support this worthy cause by making a donation.

Library News!

Students have been using the library more and more of late and we've been especially delighted to see Year 9 and 10 students' increased participation in reading for pleasure and wellbeing! Our Manga, graphic novel and comic-strip section has increased greatly of late, with some fun, creepy and action-packed titles; students regularly add to the wish list and we have some series gaps being filled in the coming weeks too! Please encourage your child/ren to read every day for at least fifteen minutes!

Academic Excellence!

Excellent Exploration!



Students have been continuing to exercise our values of exploration, aspiration and academic excellence playing Scrabble, honing their dictionary skills and mental maths!



Ms Quigley continues to send emails to students with opportunities to engage with fiction, non-fiction, news and activities in as many different ways as possible. Please encourage your child/ren to make time to read their emails, be curious and use their school value of exploration as often as they can! Audible is currently free to listen here. Explore special author events here. Escape Rooms here. and Tedtalks here. Ms Quigley is a World Book Night book giver, please email squigley@compass-schools.com if you'd like one of the remaining copies of 'Taking Up Space.

by Chelsea Kwaye and Ore Ogunbiyi.

Values Matter

Whether apart or together, on or offsite, our school values drive our community. Many congratulations to students who are extolling our values and accruing house-points!

Integrity and Exploraton! Recent House-Point Heroes





Awesome Academic Excellence!

Impressive Integrity!

Exceptional Exploration!

Healthy Family Meals for Around Five Pounds! Contribute to our Cookbook!

Have you got a cheap, cheerful and healthy recipe you'd Eat This and Beat be willing to share with the Compass Community? We are aiming to create a cookbook this year to share with evervone!

Spanish-Style Omelette for 6 People

Preheat the oven to 180 C. Cut baking paper to fit the base of an oven-proof pan. Peel the potato and onions and slice thinly. Heat the oil in your pan and add the potatoes and onion slices with a pinch of salt. Cook gently until the potatoes are soft, then tip into a bowl. Beat 6 eggs and add to the potatoes and onions. Add some black pepper, a pinch more salt and some peas. put a disc of baking paper onto the bottom of your oven-proof pan and tip the ingredients in, cook gently on the stove for a few minutes and finish cooking in the oven for 15 minutes. leave to cool slightly, then tip out onto a board so the paper is now on the top, peel it off and eat while warm!

This recipe was kindly created by our chefs from Catering Academy and donated to our Compass Cooks cookbook!

Eat, enjoy and star-rate, then email your opinion (and a recipe of your own, if you'd like) to Ms Quigley squigley@compass-schools.com

This!

Ingredients

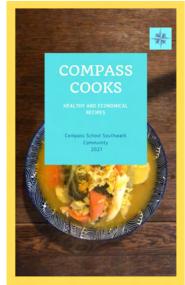
1 large potato

2 large onions

Salt and pepper Handful of frozen peas

Oil for frying











Exploration Anyone?

Opportunities for Students to be Inspired to Express Themselves

For some time we have been explicitly observing Mental Health and the importance of young people being able to express themselves. It is right that this is highlighted, as in these times more than ever, it's great for students to take opportunities to participate in open discussions and be creative in expressing what is important to them.

Here are some opportunities in addition to those in previous issues of the bulletin, on our $\underline{\text{Virtual School Page}}$ and our $\underline{\text{Wellbeing}}$ guidance.

Please encourage your child/ren to take part!





