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Draycott starts a Forest School



This term at Draycott Moor we have started our new Forest School lessons. Forest School is a child-centered learning process that supports play, exploration and supported risk taking. It develops confidence and self-esteem through learner inspired, hands-on experiences in a natural setting. The process helps and facilitates more than knowledge-gathering, it helps learners develop socially, emotionally, spiritually, physically and intellectually.



Forest School creates a safe nurturing environment for learners to try new things and develop new skills. Forest School offers a meaningful connection to the world and the outdoors and an understanding of

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how learners fit within it.

We are currently working hard to clear the site of brambles and bracken using gardening tools to create pathways to be able to explore and create an area for our campfire. The pupils have shown their enthusiasm for being outdoors through their fabulous team



work and their respect and ownership for the Forest School site. We are very proud of our achievements so far as we continue to develop the site we will begin to plant wild flowers, making shelters and toast marshmallows.

We are excited to see our Forest School develop and be an integral part of learning at Draycott Moor.



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Students complete First Aid Course

St Johns Ambulance visited Draycott this term and a number of students have completed their basic emergency aid certificates allowing them to be confident if they needed to help anybody in their day to day lives.



Students enjoy a day at Liverpool World Museum

A group of students visited Liverpool World Museum in links to this terms learning around in Science and their own Personal Development.



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Horticulture Corner



Some of the older students have been creating an area on the field where they are hoping to grow fruit and vegetables that can be used in the school kitchen. Watch this space for more as the project blossoms!



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Food Technology at Draycott



Lemon Chicken Noodles

This term Food Technology has been recreating dishes from various special dietary requirements. Whilst practising new skills the students got to sample different foods from the various diets and understand why different diets are important.

Moussaka **The Ketogenic diet** or “keto” diet is a low-carbohydrate, fat-rich eating plan that has been used for centuries to treat specific medical conditions.

Vegetarian Thai Green curry **Vegetarianism** is the practice of abstaining from the eating of meat (red, poultry, seafood, insects and the flesh of any other animal.)

Crispy Lemon chicken and Noodles **The lactose-free diet** is a common eating pattern that eliminates or restricts lactose, a type of sugar in milk.

Jamaican Bully Beef and Rice **A gluten-free diet** is an eating plan that cuts out foods that have a protein in them called gluten. Gluten helps foods keep their shape. It's found in grains

Salted Caramel Apple Pie Bars Eggs are one of the most common allergy-causing foods for children.

Vegan Jambalaya and Rice **Veganism** is the practice of abstaining from the use of animal products and the consumption of animal source foods.

Dairy free Chilli con carne Meatballs People diagnosed as allergic or intolerant to dairy may need to follow a dairy-free diet.



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Commando Joe's Working at Draycott



Commando Joes is an organisation that builds character, self-worth and confidence in young people, with the

aim of helping them live happier and healthier lives.

We offer expertise and lived experience through our growing family of inspirational role models and education professionals. Commando Joe's aim is to be a powerful force for positive change.

We work with schools to empower young people and give them the life skills they need to thrive.

Focusing on empathy, resilience, kindness and fortitude,

we're proud to play our part in helping young people become the best version of themselves.



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Careers trip to Leek Building Society

During National Careers Week, students from Draycott Moor College visited Leek Building Society, where they met with branch manager Daniel Nutt. Daniel gave the students a guided tour of the branch and all of its facilities before explaining all of the job opportunities



available within the company. The students participated in a Q and A session where they were able to ask Daniel about his own experience of working his way through the ranks to become the manager.

The students were interested to learn that potential candidates were not only selected due to their academic ability but also their communication skills.



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Could you talk to our students about your career?

Do you know someone that could discuss what they do for a living?

Do you know somewhere which might give one of our students some work experience?

We are always looking for people to help educate our students about the world of work.

Please get in touch at draycottoffice@horizoncare.co.uk or 01782 399849.



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Draycott says 'farewell' to a longstanding member of staff



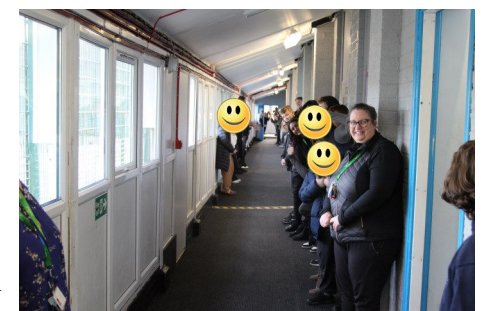
Cook, Wendy, has said farewell to Draycott after serving meals in the school since 2011.

A key character in the school day, beloved by students and staff, Wendy has been involved in many activities including the school sports days, on site activity days and the local Fayre.

Staff and students lined the corridor to give her a fitting tribute on her last day. Staff volunteered to complete the kitchen duties so

that she could spend her last day sitting and chatting to the students that she has supported in her 14 years at Draycott.

Wendy described her last day as 'amazing' and said 'I was on a high all day'.



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World Book Day 6th March 2025



The Draycott Staff



Reading in the woods



Students in costume

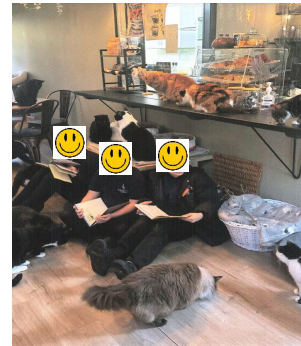


Staff joining in

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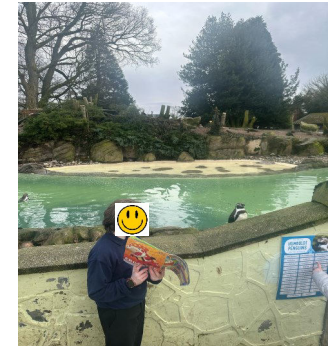
Reading in Unusual Places for World Book Day



The Cate Café



Twycross Zoo



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Horizon held a competition for the young people about finding an unusual place to read. The photo to the right won a prize!



Our winning picture

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