

The Charter School East Dulwich

Newsletter

Thursday 8th February, 2018

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Jambalaya Juggling

TCSED welcomed Jambalaya Juggling to the school for an advanced circus skills workshop, which usually runs every Monday with Mr Baron.

Students and teachers enjoyed using hula hoops, diablos, devil sticks and other circus paraphernalia. There was a particular interest in the slackline and a very competitive peacock feather balancing competition. A big thanks to Joel Brooks from Jambalaya Juggling for putting on the event.



Video Conference with students in India

It was an absolute pleasure to facilitate our first video conference last week with students from the Nehru World School, on the outskirts of New Delhi in India. The students were outstanding ambassadors for our school and community.

Particularly noteworthy dialogue came when the students were asked what they believe to be the most important value in their life. Rhiannon Bray discussed the idea of wisdom, arguing it is the opposite of ignorance, which is the foundation of prejudice and conflict. Katie Sanders said her most important value was truth, linking her answer to the dystopian novels Yr 8 are currently researching in English and explained that truth is the only thing that can hold corrupt governments to account. Thomas Gale, chose democracy as his most important value. He linked this to his invaluable work in our School Council and highlighted how justice and fairness can only be upheld by giving a voice and power to the people. Finally, Megan Washington showed excellent philosophical inquiry by entering into a dialogue about the ethics of honesty and whether it is ever acceptable to lie to protect someone. These answers demonstrate the maturity and deep reflection of our students, especially when we had not prepared for this question at all. Well done everyone and I will be looking forward to our next dialogue after half term!

Cracking the Code

A group of students went to the Science Museum with Mr Shum to take part in the **Cracking the Code** competition. The day was packed with STEM problem-solving challenges, such as an 'Escape Box' where there were 13 different padlocks locking different parts of the box. The students had to solve all puzzles to open the final part which unlocked their timer. Out of eight teams, only two managed to solve all puzzles in the time, one of which was a TCSED team of students (Anu, Louis, George, Samuel, Thomas and Ted).

The second challenge was a hunt around a Maths exhibition, the fastest team was one of our TCSED teams, (Rosamund, Sarlotka, Megan, Katie, Charlot, Verity).





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Match Report

The Year 7 football team overcame a tough match against St Mary Magdalene from north London to make it through to the 3rd round of the Inner London Cup. We went a goal up after a fluid move finished at the back-post by Matthew after a lovely pass from Azeez.

St Mary Magdalene equalised in the second half and were it not for some heroic saves from Endi we would have lost. We held on for the last 10 minutes to take the game to penalties.

Teon, Chadd and Elijah all scored, and after three saves from Endi, one missed penalty and a premature celebration from the Year 8's that were watching, we came through the game to set up a tie in this away game.



Year 7 Trip to Shakespeare's Globe Theatre

We are pleased to inform parents that we have received free tickets to take all Year 7 students to see a performance of Much Ado About Nothing at Shakespeare's Globe Theatre on Friday 16th March as part of the Playing Shakespeare with Deutsche Bank series. The performance will be specially adapted for a younger audience, and will support students with their study of the works of Shakespeare throughout their time at school. The performance is during the school day, and students will be returned to school by coach at around 4.30pm. More details will follow in due course.

Although the theatre tickets are free, all parents are asked to pay £9.37 per student to cover the cost of coach travel to and from the theatre. This payment is to be made via ParentPay.