



Flamingo Land

Last week we had a trip to Flamingo Land to reward those students who displayed positive behaviour throughout last year. All the children (and the staff) had a great day and I hope this will encourage all students to be in a position to join us on similar trips in the future.



In addition to enjoying the thrills of the rides, all the children visited the zoo and saw at least one of the animal shows.



Unfortunately, we did have a slight delay in allowing the children home on Friday due to one of the coaches being delayed which obviously resulted in the need to keep all student buses until it arrived. I do apologise for this, but obviously this was unavoidable.

Library Visits

Within the Academy, we are very proud of our positive reading ethos across the academy. As you would expect, students are exposed to a range of books and literature through the entire curriculum meaning that students are encounter books and literature in a range of ways: weekly Book Club; whole staff involvement in reading recommendations; extra-curricular activities and regular visits to the library.

This year, our visits to the library are changing. We are still going to use an hour of English each week to visit the library, but we are going to be use Morley Library instead of the library at The Morley Academy. This means we will be off-site for this period each week. Students and staff will walk to the library; this takes less than 10 minutes. Students will continue to read for pleasure, practise the skill of reading aloud and have an opportunity to see how a real library functions.

We are very excited to use this facility not only to demonstrate our excellent behaviour, but also to work within the community and enhance our reading for pleasure profile.

Symington's

I am extremely delighted to share with you details of a project that some of our talented year 8 students are working on with a company called Symington's. Symington's has established itself as a key branded licensing partner by successfully building brands like Robinsons, Thorntons, Golden Wonder and Blue Dragon, through development of products that deliver great quality and customer satisfaction. The aim of this project is for students to research, design, produce and market their own breakfast product. Students will work as a team to trial ingredients, design packaging and learn the art of marketing their product to fellow students. They will present their final product to the rest of year 8 in the summer term.

Fifteen year 8 students attended a project briefing at the Dewsbury branch and we were also pleased to be joined by some of their parents. During this briefing students got the opportunity to receive an overview of the project as well as meeting colleagues from Symington's who will support the students throughout this academic year. The team at Symington's will bring with it great expertise and a wealth of knowledge to support the development of high order thinking skills, creativity, innovativeness and resilience in our students.

We will keep you updated on the development of our 'breakfast to go'.



School Communication:

We are looking into a system where we can communicate to parents/carers via a text message. Please can you ensure the school has your current mobile number. It is our intention to use this system to inform you of issues affecting the whole school, or perhaps a particular bus route.

More information will be issued, once the details are finalised.

STAFF PROFILE

Name: **Mr Webb**

Age: **Much younger than I feel!**

Birthday: **6 March**

Where do you live: **Morley**

Where did you grow up: **East Manchester**

What was your favourite subject: **Science of Course!**

What's a random fact about you: **I love fancy dress. My Peter Pan outfit for World Book Day was one of my favourites.**

What are your career aspirations: **As long as I'm helping young people achieve their goals, I'm happy.**

What has been the best thing about TRGA so far: **Meeting so many new people; students and staff! Everybody has an interesting story of their own, just ask them!**

What's your favourite item of clothing: **My socks. The brighter the colour, the better.**

Who's the most famous person you've met: **I once met the Duke of Edinburgh after completing the D of E Award when I was 18.**



STUDENT PROFILE

Name: **Salem Jaiteh**

Age: **11**

Birthday: **27 April**

Where do you live: **Leeds**

Which Primary School did you go to: **New Beverley Community School**

What's your favourite subject: **Maths**

What's a random fact about you: **I was scouted for Chelsea FC but turned them down!**

What are your career aspirations: **I would like to be a Doctor**

What has been the best thing about TRGA so far: **Going to maths lessons.**

What's your favourite item of clothing: **Football Kit**

Who's the most famous person you've met: **The Author—Tom Palmer**

