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Centre Academy East Anglia December Newsletter 2022



Dear Parent/Carer,

"It's the Most Wonderful time of the Year"

The spirit of Christmas has arrived at CAEA. Some of our pupils have visited Blackthorpe Barn and chosen the school Christmas tree, which will be donated to the church after school finishes on the 16th of December

This term I have awarded two 'Head Teachers Awards' to Joseph Sherman-Farthing and Charlotte Whall, they will now both be entered in the Head of School End of Year Prize Award. Congratulations to them both. I would like to encourage parents to share their child's successes or achievement which they have achieved outside of school so we can share and celebrate in school.

A personal 'Thank You' to all parents/staff and students from me, for making my first term as Head of School a wonderful experience.

I wish you all a Wonderful Christmas and Happy New Year and look forward to seeing all our students on Monday 9th January when the Spring Term commences.

As 'Tiny Tim' said in Dickens' A Christmas Carol, "God Bless Us, Everyone".

Kind regards,

Mrs Lisa Gilbert
Head of School



Mon 9 Jan 23

Term Commences

Mon 16 to Fri 20 Jan 23

Mock Exams

Fri 10 Feb – Sun 19 Feb 23

Half Term

Fri 10 Feb 23

School finishes at 12.00pm

*Merry Christmas
and
Happy New Year
From all the staff
at
Centre Academy
East Anglia*

Trip to Blackthorpe Barn

O Christmas Tree, O Christmas tree,
How lovely are your branches!

On Monday 5th December a few of our students set off with the most important of tasks... to find the perfect Christmas tree! Every year the school has a Christmas tree under the Arches, which is then donated to St. Mary's Church after school has broken up. It was decided this year that students should be involved in the picking of the tree, a tradition that we plan to keep going from now on. We jumped in the minibus and set off for Blackthorpe Barn, and after a quick lesson from Mr Craddock the right tree was soon found! After all the hard work a sit down in the café and a wander around the Christmas shop was definitely in order, and the students loved getting in the Christmas spirit! If any of you have been in school, then I'm sure you'll agree they did a great job picking out the perfect tree!



TOP 10 TIPS FOR REVISION

STABILO

START EARLY

No, we're not talking about setting the alarm for 5am. Start in February, so you're not pulling all-nighters the week before your exams.

QUIET PLEASE!

Irritating siblings driving you up the wall and away from your studies? Get Mum or Dad to lay the law down so you can revise without distractions.

FIND MEMORABLE WAYS TO REMEMBER THINGS



Henry Eight had six mates. He went to heaven in 1547. Then it was Liz who did the biz, And in 1603 she was RIP.

TEAMWORK WORKS



There's no 'i' in team (even though there are two in revision). Anyway, revising with a friend can make it easier to stick to a regular schedule.

DON'T FALL IN LOVE



It's hard to think about the Napoleonic Wars with a new worldie on your mind. For just a few months, don't listen to your heart, listen to your teachers.

WORK NOW, PLAY LATER



Despite sharing the same last three letters, procrastination and revision don't go well together. Work ASAP, so you can relax later without guilt.

TAKE BREAKS



If that's all you do, you're heading for trouble. But if you've been studying for an hour and your concentration starts to wander, it's time you did too.

MAKE REVISION REWARDING



Do what you don't like (revision), then do what you do like (gaming, socialising and telling mates you haven't even started revising yet).

LISTEN TO YOUR BODY CLOCK



Night owl or morning person? (If you're not one, morning people are harder to like than Mondays). Revise when you have most energy.

MAKE THINGS MORE COLOURFUL



Looking at a wall of words in blue or black ink is enough to make anyone see red. Different colours make revision notes memorable.

#MAKE YOUR MARK

REVISE WITH STABILO

| Mock Exam Week – Monday 16 th to Friday 20 th January 2023 | | | | | |
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| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| Morning 9:00 am start | English Language | Maths (Calculator) | Science | English Literature | Maths (Non- Calculator) |
| Afternoon 1:45 PM start | RE | History | Geography | Science | Drama (1:00PM start) |

Centre Academy Bonfire Extravaganza

A massive THANK YOU to all who attended our bonfire extravaganza at the beginning of November! Your generosity and support helped to raise a massive £321.48 for the charity GeeWizz, who support children and young people across Suffolk with high dependency disabilities, life-limiting illness, or cancer.

It was a night of fantastic fireworks, a brilliant bonfire, magnificent music, and spectacular stools, although the burgers arguably stole the show!

We hope you enjoyed the night as much as we did and would love to share with you a few photos of this special event.

We are also very excited to share with you that we will be taking the students of school council to visit the GeeWizz charity next Tuesday afternoon to hand over the money and thank them for all of their hard work running the stools.

We are so SO proud of our student, parent, and staff community, it sure will be difficult to top next year!


GeeWizz

Thank you!

On Wednesday 9th November Centre Academy held a Bonfire and Fireworks Extravaganza. The school council ran some stalls to raise money for the charity GeeWizz. There was a lucky dip, pin the hat on the skeleton, guess the teacher as a baby, guess the name of the octopus and guess the sweets in a jar. In total we raised over £300 for Gee Wizz. Everyone had a great time.

AG – 5SWR



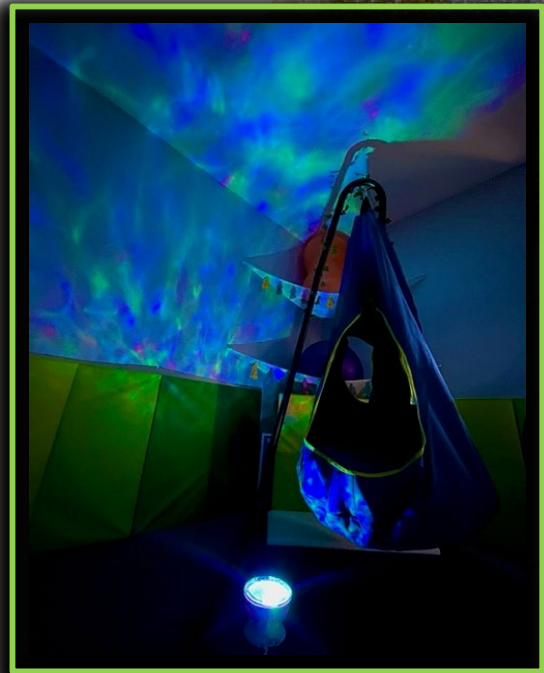
The Sensory Room

It is an absolute pleasure to share with you all photos of our brand-new sensory room! It has been a joy to see the children's faces light up as they explore the room and all the brilliant equipment and games.

Thank you all for your great response and interest in coming to see the room for yourselves and meeting with the Therapists. Our Therapy team are delighted to invite you to school on the 23rd of January to meet with us, so you can get an idea of what work your child has been doing in their therapy sessions. A formal invitation will be sent out closer to the time.

The students at the school were very eager to have a memorial for Queen Elizabeth, therefore it was decided that the school council would come up with a suitable name for the room in her honour. After much debate, the students decided that they would like to name the room 'the corgi room'.

Look forward to seeing you all soon!
Miss Banham
Occupational Therapist/Sensory
Integration practitioner



A sensory integration session looks very much like the above picture! The aim is to provide children with lots of rich sensory experiences to help the development of their tactile, auditory, proprioceptive, vestibular, and visual processing and modulation. It also helps to strengthen the integration of this information so we can participate in and engage with our environments successfully.

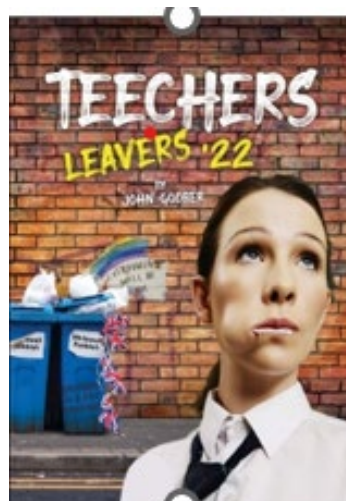
If you would like more information, this website has lots of brilliant information and resources which you may find useful:

<https://www.sensoryintegrationeducation.com/>

DRAMA NEWS

Congratulations to 1MC GCSE Drama students who completed 40% of their exam this term, by producing a devised piece of drama chosen from a stimulus of 'Jane Eyre - the novel', by Charlotte Bronte.

Students are now preparing to produce extracts from 'The Importance of Being Earnest' by Oscar Wilde, which will be performed to an external AQA examiner in March.



For the analysing and evaluating live theatre component of the exam, a trip to the Playhouse in Norwich is booked for 21st February, to see Blackeyed Theatres new production of 'Teachers' by John Godber.



ROALD DAHL'S
Matilda
THE MUSICAL JR.



Roald Dahl's 'Matilda THE MUSICAL' has now been cast comprising 26 students who will be performing on-stage as characters, with at least 15 students signed up to be working backstage, including at least 5 who will form part of the on-stage crew.

We owe a BIG thank you to our new Music Teacher, Mrs Groombridge, our Musical Director and Choreographer, for having made the audition process such a success on ONLY her second day at Centre Academy, and, of course, to Mrs Gilbert, who was also on the audition panel.

A big welcome to Mr Borrett, who has kindly agreed to take on the role of Stage Manager, and we are already collaborating on ideas for set design and construction of a moving set. Thank you to all staff at Centre Academy for your offers of support, working and planning together, towards engaging our students in all aspects of live theatre.

Mrs Simpson

Credits Sheet

Under the terms and conditions of your organisation's Performance Agreement the following credits must appear on all posters, leaflets, programmes and foyer displays relating to the production. They must also appear on all online advertising relating to the production.

Centre Academy East Anglia
50%
Production of



Book by
Dennis Kelly
20%

Music and Lyrics by
Tim Minchin
20%

This amateur production is presented by arrangement with
Music Theatre International
All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI
www.mtishows.co.uk

The following credit must appear on title pages of all programmes:

Orchestrations and Additional Music by
Chris Nightingale

The billing to you must be in the form specified above, including the words "Production of" below your billing, which shall be visually contiguous with the title, all so that the audience is informed that you are the producer. Your billing shall be no less than 50% of the size of the logo or artwork title, as measured by the proportion of the average size your billing to the largest letter in the logo or artwork title. The size of credits to the authors shall be no less than 20% of the artwork or logo title as measured by the proportion of the average size of their names to the largest letter in the logo or artwork title.



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Elf Day Fundraiser Friday 9th December 2022



UAS planned and prepped a morning of fun to help raise money for the Alzheimer's society.

UAS have worked really hard over the last few weeks promoting the event, designing games and creating Elf inspired snacks to sell to their peers. Top favourites were the Elf Kisses and Reindeer noses. Morning break saw a flurry of activity and most snacks sold out completely.

Special thanks to members of 3AG who helped us man our stalls.

Totals raised, yet to be confirmed are around £150.00

UAS should be very proud of their efforts.

Ms Martin



HARVEST FESTIVAL DONATIONS

Thank you to everyone for the donations, we have received the letter below from 'Foodbank' at Bury St Edmunds.



FOODBANK

Bury St Edmunds



Feeding People in crisis

Autumn 2022

Thank you for your Harvest Festival Donation received today. This will be used for food parcels distributed using our system of referral from front-line care agencies. It is very much appreciated and is a great help towards the continued distribution of nutritionally balanced emergency food to local people in crisis.

The level of generosity shown by the numerous schools, churches, groups, and individuals in this area is extraordinary. Everyone knows that, economically speaking, these are tough times and they're likely to get tougher; and yet it seems that this only serves to intensify the generosity we see on a daily basis.

It is often said that voluntary work brings its own rewards. It does. Those who contribute make this happen, as well as being able to bear witness to the relief this work brings.

Thank you, once again, for supporting local people in crisis.

Yours sincerely

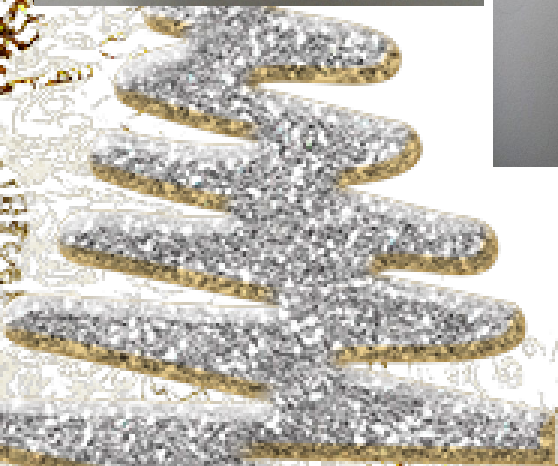
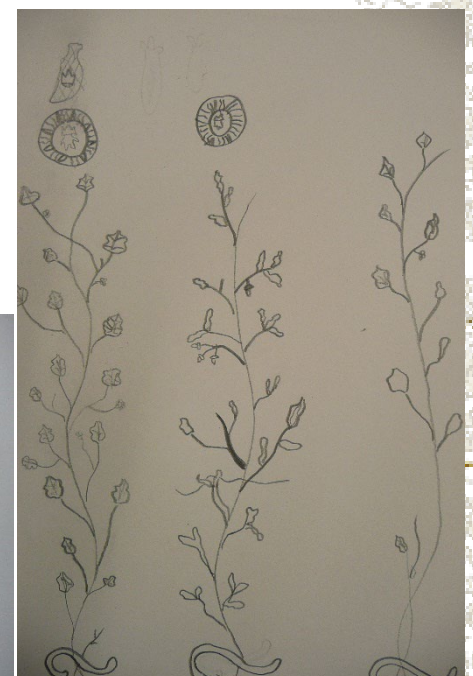
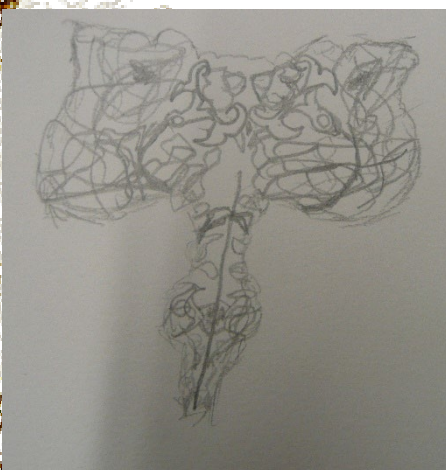
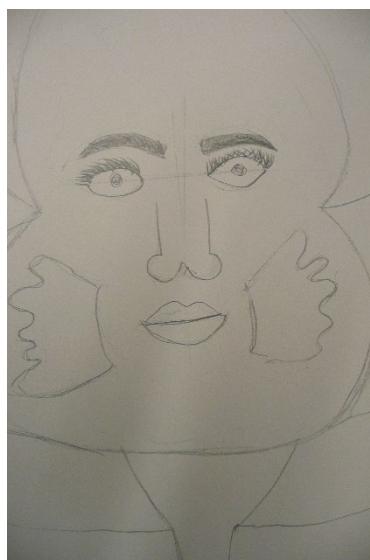
Amanda Bloomfield
Chief Executive

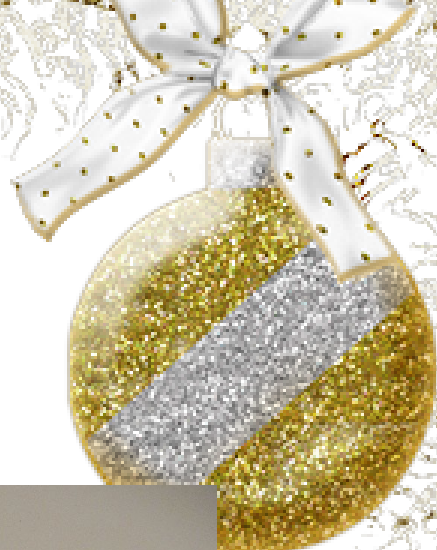


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Art trip 3AG – Tuesday 29 November 2022

3AG art students embarked on a trip to Woolpit and Dennington churches as part of their current project, 'The Greenman'. The purpose of the visit was to discover real life examples of sculpted, carved, and leaded glass versions and related foliage in situ. Students were given the opportunity to see first-hand these remarkable ancient works of art that were found on carved bench ends, ceilings, exterior walls, and windows. They used these examples as a primary resource as part of their research and ideas development in their sketchbooks. The benefits of observational drawing can help develop fine motor skills, encourage visual analysis, help establish concentration, improve hand-eye coordination, increase individual confidence, and teach creative problem solving. It is an important art skill that will develop and improve over time. Overall, the trip was a successful one and helped create some affective artwork for their project which can be seen here.





**DON'T
FORGET TO**

**REMEMBER
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| General Information | Medical Information |
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| START OF THE SCHOOL DAY Please remember that students are not to be dropped off at the school before 8.10 am. Prior to that staff are not in their places and we cannot therefore ensure the students security. | ✓ If you child requires any medication, please ensure that this is handed into the office or Mrs Beadman. Medication will need to be in its original packet along with the relevant paperwork. The item must be clearly labelled with the students name and the instructions of administration. |
| UNIFORM Please remember that all uniform and casual clothes must have the student's name in, as we do collect a significant amount of lost property. | ✓ Students must not be sent to school if they have a fever/sickness or are feeling ill. Students should be fever/sickness free for 48 hours before returning to school to protect other students from contact with potentially contagious illnesses. Parents will be contacted by the medical staff on duty if a child shows symptoms of illness while in school. |
| OUTDOOR CLOTHING During the cold months please could all students have winter clothing: wellies, coats, hats and gloves. During the summer months, please could students have a hat and sun cream. | ✓ If the illness is more than 5 school days we require a Doctor's Certificate. |
| School Phone Number: 01449 736404 Out of hours emergency school mobile number 07555 641 724 email: admin-ea@centreacademy.co.uk | Absence Please could all medical appointments/absences be reported before 9.00 am to the School Office. Please contact the school each day your child is absent; contact by email is fine. |