

THE ORCHARD SALON

For PLP this term Class 5 have been visiting the Graduate Salon at Grimsby Institute. They have learned how to plait hair, paint and decorate nails with nail art techniques and learned the art of face painting too.

The learners got to practice their new found talents with the grand opening of Orchard's very own salon. They have created an appointment system and have booked their clients in for their treatments, with Lisa Herring from GIFHE coming over to help the learners wash, dry and plait staff and students' hair and paint nails.



ROBERTS STREET PLP

Our Roberts Street KS3 learners have learnt how to make soap as part of their PLP sessions this term. The learners added different essential oils and flowers to create their own very unique bars of soap. Not only fun to do but the centre smelt great!



NUMBER DAY

On the 1st of February we celebrated National Number Day to support fundraising for the NSPCC who run vital services such as 'ChildLine' and 'Speak Out Stay Safe'.

We invited all staff and students to come to school wearing number clothing and held some fun bingo games and even a tombola. This gave all our students a chance to win some fantastic prizes! Thank you to everyone who donated to the event. We helped to raise money for a good cause whilst also ensuring that the students across all three sites had fun with numbers.



FOREST SCHOOL

Thanks to tutor Sophie Cook we will be introducing Forest School to the Orchard School. Sophie has been working hard to complete her qualification and training and get our very own Forest School set up.

Forest School is a child-centred inspirational learning process, that offers opportunities for holistic growth through regular sessions. It is a program that supports play, exploration and supported risk taking. It develops confidence and self-esteem through learner inspired, hands-on experiences in a natural setting and we can't wait to get started.



SEND COFFEE MORNING

We are excited to be holding a SEND coffee morning for the parents of learners attending our Laceby Road and Roberts Street sites.

The coffee morning will be held at the Laceby Road Site on **6th March 2024 10:00-11:00am**.

This will be an informal opportunity for parents to develop relationships and identify the different types of support they would like to receive from the school or external services, to help support their child.

Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available!

We will be setting a date for our Sargon Way Coffee Morning during the Summer term. Watch this space!



ORCHARD CAREERS

We continue to support our careers opportunities for learners and KS3 will be looking at the retail industry and identifying different job roles in this sector. They will be visiting a local supermarket to look at the different roles that are involved in running a supermarket.

In Spring 1 the learners looked at different job roles in the sports and well-being sector and visited Grimsby Aspire and had a tour around their sport and well-being centres.

KS4 are looking at different careers due to week 3 being National Careers week. I am hoping the learners will be able to go and look around Orsted in Grimsby, as they are the largest renewable energy company in the UK.

In Spring 1 we looked at apprenticeships as it was National Apprenticeships week 5-9th February. We were lucky enough to have a visit by AVANT in Grimsby who spoke to us about Apprenticeships that they deliver to young people in our local area.

SAFEGUARDING - SAFER INTERNET DAY

Sunday 11th February was Safer Internet Day.

Tips on how to safe online

- Think before you post
Don't upload or share anything you wouldn't want your parents, carers, teachers or future employers seeing. Once you post something, you lose control of it, especially if someone else screenshots or shares it.
- Don't share personal details
Keep things like your address, phone number, full name, school and date of birth private, and check what people can see in your privacy settings. Remember that people can use small clues like a school logo in a photo to find out a lot about you
- Think about who you're talking to
There are lots of ways that people try to trick you into trusting them online. Even if you like and trust someone you've met online, never share personal information with them like your address, full name, or where you go to school. [Find out more about grooming.](#)
- Never give out your password
You should never give out your password or log-in information. Make sure you pick strong, easy to remember [passwords](#).
- Cover your webcam
Some viruses will let someone access your webcam without you knowing, so make sure you cover your webcam whenever you're not using it

SAFEGUARDING - COUNTY LINES

County lines is a form of criminal exploitation where urban gangs persuade, coerce or force children and young people to store drugs and money and/or transport them to suburban areas, market towns and coastal towns (Home Office, 2018). It can happen in any part of the UK and is against the law and a form of child abuse.

Children and young people may be criminally exploited in multiple ways. Other forms of criminal exploitation include child sexual exploitation, trafficking, gang and knife crime. County lines gangs are highly organised criminal networks that use sophisticated, frequently evolving techniques to groom young people and evade capture by the police.

Check where your child is.

Who are they speaking to online and offline?

Talk to them, be open and honest.

Within NELC there is a dedicated team working with families and children tackling exploitation and county lines, they are called the GRAFT team; they work alongside schools and colleges to support young people at risk of exploitation, giving them the tools to make positive informed choices about their future with their families.

[Protecting children from county lines | NSPCC Learning](#)

SPRING 2 DATES AND EVENTS

Monday 19th February - Children back at school

Thursday 7th March - World Book Day!

We encourage learners to come dressed as their favourite character or bring in their favourite book to read.

Friday 15th March - Comic Relief

The comic relief theme is 'Do something funny for Money'. With this in mind we would love our learners to come to school with a funny hairstyle or wearing something red.

There is no obligation but a £1 donation towards comic relief would be great.

Throughout Spring 2 - Our learners will be sitting various Functional skills exams this term, full timetable available on request.

Thursday 28th March - Children break up for Easter.

MY VOICE MATTERS WELLBEING EVENT

My Voice Matters



Children & young people's
mental health awareness
week event

Friday 16th Feb
11am-2pm
Freeman Street Market



Pop along to Freeman
Street market for a
wellbeing event with art
activities from local artist
The House with the Blue
Door

