



STUDENT PARLIAMENT

On 29th April, students from our Seekers pathway joined the Natspec Students Parliament for the first time. We had, as a whole college, prepared student voice views to share to be a part of the Disability Strategy Survey. Students participated in break out room discussions and then a representative shared the viewpoints back to the whole meeting. The views of all the students have been collated and already sent off to the Cabinet Office.

In the second part of the day James Watson and Chantel Harrison volunteered to share our group discussion with the whole meeting. This discussion was about planning the Natspec Student's games week in June.

Around thirty-three colleges attended this year's Parliament, with upwards of 150 students getting involved. The day was a fantastic opportunity for all of our student's voices and views to be heard on a more national level. The interaction and communication skills demonstrated on the day by our three representatives was fantastic! All students were engaged and communicated their thoughts passionately and effectively.

Well done to all for your contribution but special congratulations to James, Chantel and Connor for representing our college with such confidence and pride.





Chadsgrove Specialist College

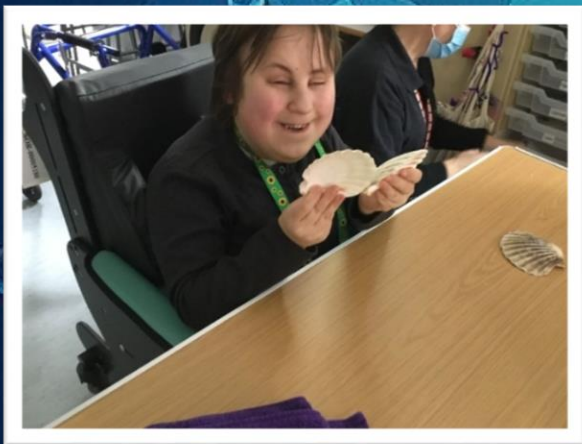
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LINK PROJECTS

Over this half term, we have continued to form links with classes 14US and 13US in Chadsgrove School.

On Fridays, we have been exploring our senses with 14US. Our theme has been summer time, although the weather outside doesn't seem to agree! In the classroom we have been thinking about what we hear, see, smell, feel and taste during the summer. Students enjoyed the experiences in our seaside themed sensory story. Students felt sand and sea shells, they listened to sounds of the ocean and felt water spray on their hands. The ice cream tasting at the end was a big hit.



Our students have joined with 13US and taken part in dance lessons over zoom with Melody dance. The themes have included Bollywood, positive mental health (This is me) and a fire dance.



We have continued to learn about cultures of the world and this half term we spent a wonderful day learning about Buddhism. We had lots of different statues to explore, watched videos, and took part in a special cleansing ceremony. We talked about being kind to each other and to ourselves. As part of this we made lanterns and gave them as gifts to our friends in 13US. We ended our day with a calming meditation and listened to some special bells. We all felt very chilled out by the end of the day!



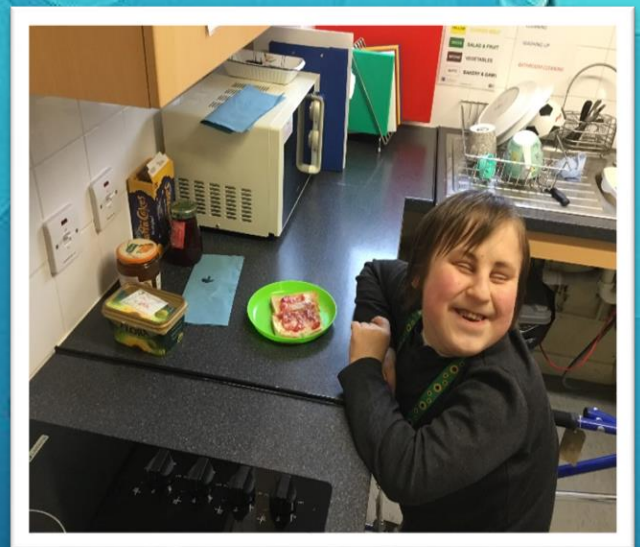
MATHS WEEK

From the 17th to the 21st of May, students took part in Maths week.

Although maths is embedded into our curriculum, for this week we made the key focus in each lesson maths. Students participated in a variety of sessions where maths and thinking skills were applied in a variety of ways. For example, working on money skills, counting the beat during drumming/music sessions, counting during exercise activities and following a sequence of instructions.

Students utilised their maths skills to follow a sequence of steps to make tea and toast. They followed instructions such as more or less, onto and next to.

Above all, the biggest lesson we learned, was that we can always *count* on our students to impress us!





SPRING HALF TERM STAR - JULA

Jula has been working really hard on her independence in the pool this half term. She has been building her trust in the physio support team and patiently allowing us to try lots of different flotation devices. Jula has shown fantastic tolerance and stayed focused. This has helped the team to find her the right combination in order to give her more independence in the water.

Jula is enjoying swimming both on her back and her front. She has worked really hard on the physio areas of her swim, doing everything asked of her calmly and without complaint.

Amazing effort Jula, keep it up! You are a Star!



IMPORTANT DATES

7th June - Students return to college.

9th June - Enrichment Day 6 – English & communication.

21st to 25th June - Natspec Sports Week.

8th July at 2.45pm – 3.45pm – Leavers Event

15th July - College closes.