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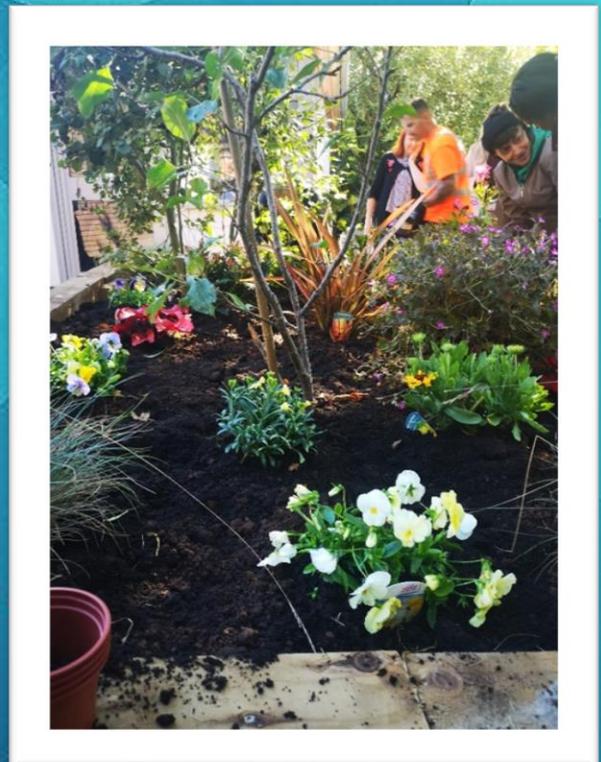
Students and staff have really hit the floor running this academic year with new developments both in and around college.

SEVERN TRENT GARDEN PLANTING

A huge thank you goes to Severn Trent and Willowbrook Garden Centre.

During the summer the Severn Trent Community Support Team very kindly resurfaced part of the college garden and built us two bigger and improved planters. They also managed to secure a very generous plant donation from our local garden centre Willowbrook.

Kevin from Seven Trent along with volunteers and local councillor Mrs Shirley Webb joined students and staff to help make our new outdoor space a more attractive and friendly place to be. Thank you so much to Kevin and his team for giving us a more inclusive section of our garden.





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NEW STAFF

The warmest welcome to our newest members of staff. They have all settled into their roles so well that it feels like they have always been a part of the college.



Chloe
Learning Support Assistant



Hayley
Business Manager



Michelle
Learning Support Assistant



Sammy
Learning Support Assistant



Shell
Learning Support Assistant



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NATIONAL FITNESS DAY

September 21st was National Fitness Day, staff and students had great fun taking part in a free, all ability exercise zoom class supported by Sense Active. The session was lively, interactive and got everybody moving in lots of different ways.





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ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY

We have had some exciting new equipment arrive at college this term called a Soundbeam. Soundbeam is an award-winning 'touch free' musical device that uses sensor technology to translate movement into music and sound. Our students have explored this equipment during independent living skills and communication lessons. Students are independently making music, and even when movements are slow and slight they are instantly rewarded. Watching as the students engage, but also anticipate what's next in a fully inclusive music session has been truly breath-taking.

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WELL-BEING ROOM

We are delighted to have had new sensory interactive equipment installed in our well-being room. We have an interactive, colour changing bubble wall and a sound activated colour globe to explore, along with a projector that can help transport our student's minds to a variety of therapeutic places. The equipment has been a massive hit with not only the students but with our therapy dog Poppy too.





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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Friday 21st October 2022 - Halloween themed Para Dance UK day
- Friday 18th November 2022- Christmas Market
- Friday 9th December 2022- Christmas themed Para Dance UK day
- Tuesday 13th December 2022 - College Christmas Lunch
- Wednesday 14th December 2022 - Christmas Pub Meal
- Thursday 15th December 2022 - Parents & Community Christmas Celebration
- Friday 16th December 2022- College closes for Christmas Holiday
- Tuesday 3rd January 2023 - College Opens