



RAVENSHALL SCHOOL

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It's hard to believe that we have come to the end of another school year! Our pupils have worked so hard and we have crammed so much into the last few weeks of school. Read on and take a look at some of the amazing things that we have been doing!

Our Discovery Phase pupils have been extremely busy this term. They have all been working hard in phonics on their sound spellings and learning new mathematical vocabulary. In science they have spent time outside and in the Sensory Room learning about shadow and light. Pupils have practiced their communication, social and independence skills by visiting our school cafe. They have had plenty of fresh air taking part in outdoor learning in our allotment and Forest School area. There have been lots of trips out to the park, icecream parlour, the opera and even a trip to Bridlington. Everyone took part in celebrating Eid, pupils made their own crowns and wore them to the Eid party. We had a very special dinosaur day and pupils had fun taking part in lots of dinosaur challenges, making fossils, digging for bones, their sewing skills were put to the test making their own dinosaur teddies. We even had a dinosaur roaming around school!



Our Explorer Phase pupils have continued to challenge themselves with tricky phonics and practicing their reading every day. In maths they have been working hard in different areas, counting, making equal groups, fractions division and subtraction to name just a few! Pupils have been out in the local community shopping for ingredients to make some delicious food, including curry, hummus and soup. There have been some amazing trips out to parks, garden centres, not forgetting the incredible trip to Cliffe House, where they took part in canoeing, orienteering, climbing and archery to name just a few. Pupils demonstrated bravery, really challenging themselves to take part in activities and had a truly wonderful time.



In science pupils have been learning about seasonal change and how to recognise the signs of this. They have also been exploring the planets and space adventure, imagining what it could be like to travel there and writing postcards home from space! Pupils have been treated to a science show in school, learning about different foods and how they help our bodies. Some fun was also had with explosive foods! History lessons have focused on the theme of time travel, exploring the Victorian era and gaining an understanding of the past. Classrooms have been transformed into a Victorian style classroom and pupils given new Victorian names acting out how it might have been back then! Group discussions around time travel into the future and what we think the world could be like in 2050 saw some interesting ideas!



Our Trailblazer pupils have been working on independent living and how to budget their own money. Pupils have been working hard sitting Unit Awards and Entry Level assessments in English, science and maths.

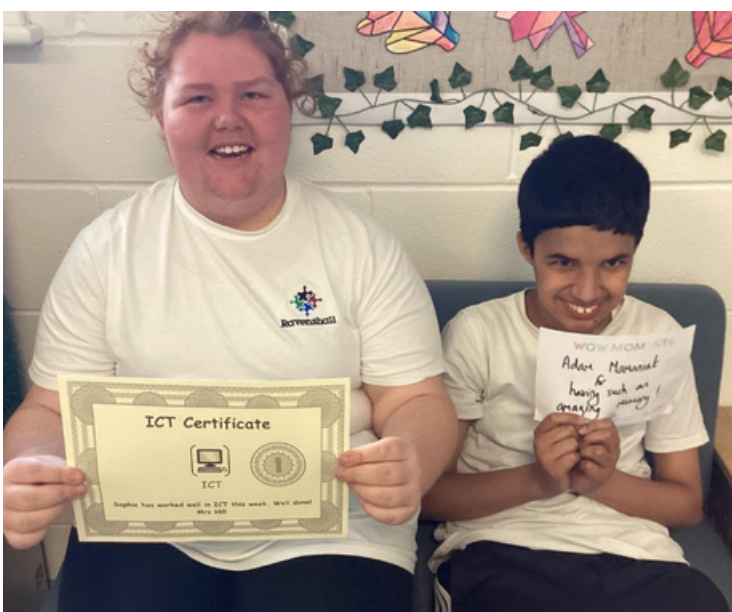
There have been lots of trips out, amongst the highlights being a trip to London to visit the House of Commons.

Our students even got to sit in the public gallery and watch a live debate! Another hugely successful trip was to Gulliver's World. The weather was perfect and there was lots of fun had exploring the park and on the rides.

Several of our pupils have been lucky enough to meet GB Paralympian tennis player Anthony Cottrill. He visited us in school and shared his techniques, even challenging pupils and staff to a game.



Thank you to everyone that took the time to meet with their child's teacher at Parents' Consultation day. Likewise all that have joined us in school for our coffee mornings. We really do enjoy meeting with our families, getting to know you and working towards building strong relationships between home and school. Remember if you need any additional help, or support for your child with their social, emotional and mental health needs to contact our Family Wellbeing Officer, Liz Blythe via the school office.



At PfA our students have spent a lot of time working on their independent living skills and practicing making their own meals. They follow a process of creating a shopping list, shopping for ingredients and go on to try lots of new foods by making some delicious meals both at school and at Batley Bulldogs. Students have also spent time exploring their community and what facilities are available for them to make use of.

There have been lots of fun and interesting trips out. Students have been able to investigate and learn about our History, visiting Oakwell Hall, the Royal Armouries, the Coal Mining Museum and Pugney's Country Park to name just a few.

The trip to Bradley Woods has been a huge success. Some stayed just for the day whilst others stayed overnight. Everyone was challenged out of their comfort zone, taking part in zip lining, rope games, a climbing wall and much more!



We hope that you all have a wonderful and safe Summer break. We have posted details of holiday clubs and activities on dojo and also on the school website.

We look forward to seeing pupils back in school on Tuesday 3rd September for the start of the Autumn Term!

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all equal
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