

SUPPORTED LEARNING NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to our final newsletter of the academic year.

A message from the SENDCo - As the end of this academic year draws to a close, I'd like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all our parents and carers for your support this year. It is never easy building a department and bringing a new team together but your support of us and what we are trying to achieve has been much appreciated. My job is made so much easier due to the team I have around me; those members of staff that spend their days with your children. Their commitment to them is outstanding and they deserve to be thanked for all they do for them.

We have had an incredibly busy Term 6. Mrs Bingham has spent lots of time visiting primary schools and welcoming Year 6 children to Severn Vale ahead of their September start. We are excited to start the next phase of their education with them. We had a wonderful time celebrating the class of 2025 with the leaver's assembly and prom. We will have the opportunity to see them again in the autumn term when they return to collect their certificates. We really do wish them all the very best for the future.

It was a delight to see so many of our students end the term being presented with both sport and academic awards. This is huge testament to their engagement and commitment to learning. It proves that barriers do not stop participation, progress or achievement.



The wildflower seeds that the children planted in Term 4 have finally flowered and the bees are absolutely loving it.



Once the Gardening Intervention group had gotten to know each other a little better, they ventured out into the Nature Reserve to make some clay faces and see who could hunt down the biggest stick! There were some weird and wonderful creations, and they all loved getting stuck in.



In Gardening Intervention this term we have been enjoying all of the colour that has appeared since the sun started shining! The new intervention group enjoyed making perfumes and potions, even if most of the water ended up all over the children and the floor!



The ever growing tomato farm is spreading day by day. All the students have had a go at potting on their selected plants and are enjoying seeing them grow!



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For the last ten weeks Mrs Armstrong and Ms Kisten have been taking a group of Year 10 boys to Stroud College, where they have been learning new skills in brick laying. Not only have they been learning construction skills but they have also learnt to work together as a team, just as they would in the world of work.



A special mention must go out to Kaden who showed up, early, every week and impressed us and the college tutor with his dedication; not to mention building skills!



Our SEND cricket teams had a lovely sunny day out to take part in a local schools cricket festival.

Both teams played multiple games, coming out with a few excellent wins and an occasional loss. Everyone playing showed excellent enthusiasm and sportsmanship. Well done team!



First up was caving for the Outdoor Ed group. They travelled to the Brecon Beacons to explore a caving system that was extremely tight in places! Many overcame their fears of enclosed spaces and spiders too!



The Outdoor Ed group had an intro to canoeing where we wanted them to experience an open boat canoe, test their skills as paddlers and their ability to communicate as a small team. They all did superbly!

This term, Year 7 comprehension groups have been focussing on their inference skills. Once they had mastered the basics, we tried our hand at being detectives. The students pieced together a series of clues to solve a murder mystery! Making sure that we had evidence to back up our theories before presenting our final verdicts.

As always, please do get in touch via SENDAdmin@severnvaleschool.com

if you have a query or question about anything in relation to your child.

A member of the team will respond to you at their earliest convenience.

Have the best summer break!

Julie Williamson - SENDCo

