

Dear Parents and Carers,

Community partnerships are precious to us. They bring a depth to learning for our students, real world experiences and events that change lives. We have many partnerships we champion in our bulletin. Our latest was with **TNS** and the **Police** with a programme to support young people to make positive choices and get involved with sport with great feedback.

‘I believe this is invaluable to students that are not all academic, gives students valuable life skills’, parent. ‘Behaviour has really improved. He has taken the right decisions in situations that he could not have done so previously’, ‘really mature approach to dealing with conflict, managing his own behaviour’, ‘great attitude and I’ve seen a real shift with some great maturity’, teaching staff.

‘Helped me to understand that you can push through anything if you have the right mindset’, ‘I have gained stronger friendships and a better understanding of how to be with other people’, ‘It has taught me discipline and has made me more respectful to teachers and staff in general’, ‘when I go back into school I can then concentrate better’, ‘my fitness has improved from doing the sports and I think I have improved as a person because I think more about others’, ‘helped me gain skills like organisation and communication’, students.

Has your child shared our savings from just one day of turning off the switches last week for Eco Hour?
A potential saving of £2000 a week!



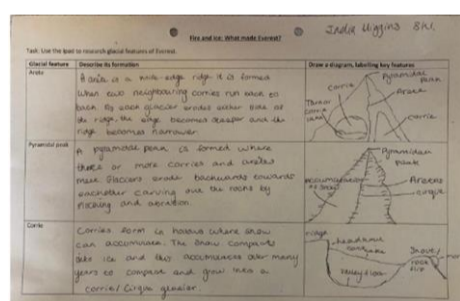
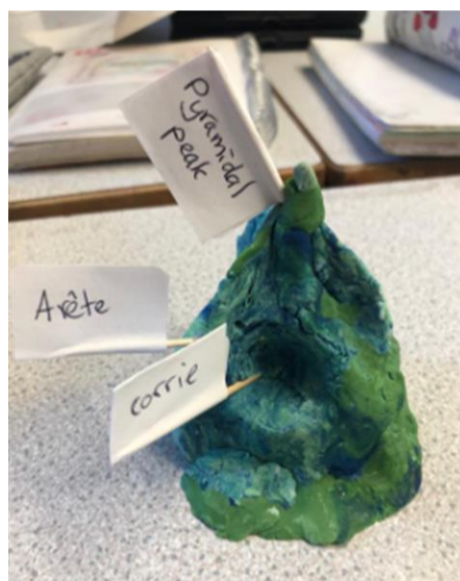
Mrs Alison Pearson
Headteacher



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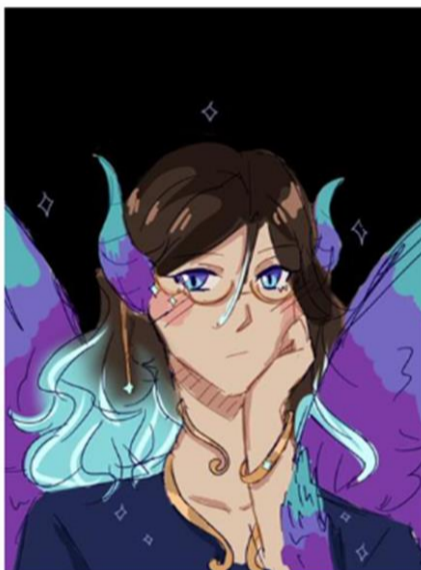
Playdoh Peaks

8K1 climbed the peaks of Everest today - modelling glacial features with playdoh. Summary by India Higgins.



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by Selma Stevenson in Year 8 including a fantastic digital self-portrait.



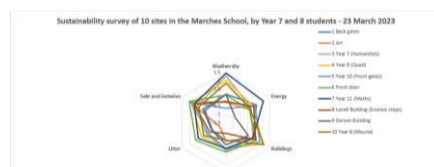
Sustainability Survey

Students assessed biodiversity, energy, waste, litter, buildings and whether areas are 'safe and inclusive'.

Scoring best was biodiversity, with the Year 11 area best overall, under the trees and next to the EcoGarden. The lowest score was for waste (the amount of recyclable crisp packets and plastic bottles in bins).

Abby Roberts said: "The school's overall sustainability was acceptable, not atrocious, but not brilliant. It could be improved by less littering and turning lights and whiteboards off when they're not being used."

Callum Roberts said: "That was fun. I wish we could do that every lesson!"



FOCUS

Oswestry Youth Sport Programme

In partnership with The New Saints FC Foundation Ltd with Bright Star Boxing Academy, West Mercia Police, Oswestry Town Council and funding by the Ministry of Justice - Youth Justice Sport Programme. The programme provides the opportunity to take part in a range of sports activities and to use the 'power of sport' to help young people make positive life choices and decisions now and, in the future – developing self-esteem and widening awareness of the positive role sport can play in people's lives.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Click [here](#) to view our upcoming events. Events at a glance:

- NEU Strike Action – 2nd May.
- Bank Holidays – 1st May and 8th May.
- Year 7 Parents' Evening – Thursday 11th May.

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NEWS

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