



Woodlane High School

Achieving success in a nurturing environment

Year 9 camping

On the 13th June, Year 9 embarked on an adventure to Blackland Farm in East Grinstead. Pupils had to build their own tents and sleep in them for two nights. In addition, students were required to chip-in with the cooking by preparing and serving dinner.

Staff and students had a wonderful time and nerves were tested during some of the exciting and rewarding activities on offer. Pupils participated in tunnelling, kayaking, rock climbing, and zip wire. They were also expected to work in teams to build towers and negotiate low-ropes.

A huge thank you to Mr Morgan, Chloe and Stacey for supporting students on this experience of a lifetime and for making the trip so rewarding and engaging for our amazing Woodlane students.



'The crawling through tunnels activity was fun. It was also my first time sleeping in a tent.'

Pupil 9LK

"It was fun doing rock climbing and playing the games at night time. I also enjoyed being in the tent."

Pupil 9LK

"Camping was fun with my friends"

Pupil 9LK

Year 9 Community Project

In DT, 9MK have been sanding the school picnic benches ready for a fresh design as part of their Community Project.

"Well, in DT Miss told us to get each of our sandpaper for the bench. So, we sand the bench except the broken wood pieces which we are going to replace with new ones. We have to sand the top, the bottom and everywhere." (Pupil, 9MK)

"We had to create a design for the bench to make new benches and people would be happy in class by making them look nicer instead of rusty and old." (Pupil, 9MK)

"We sanded the benches and made it smooth" (Pupil, 9MK)



Banana Muffins

A pupil in Year 10 has been cooking with Ms Jermain as part of his learner targets. One of the recipes was for these delicious banana muffins. Try making them at home for a scrummy breakfast or teatime treat!



Ingredients:

75g melted butter
250g self-raising flour
1tsp baking powder
1/2 tsp bicarb soda
Pinch salt
1/2 tsp cinnamon
1/2 tsp nutmeg
115g caster sugar
1 tsp vanilla extract
2 large ripe bananas
2 medium eggs
125 ml milk

Method:

Heat the oven to 190C/170 Fan/Gas 5.

Melt the butter and allow to cool. Sift the flour, baking powder, bicarb of Soda, salt, cinnamon and nutmeg together in a large bowl. Add caster sugar and stir.

Beat eggs, vanilla extract, melted butter and milk in second bowl. Add banana and stir. Make a well in the centre of the dry ingredients and add egg mixture. Stir until a lumpy paste.

Set paper cases into muffin tray. Spoon in mixture until almost full. Bake for 20-25 mins.

Attendance Update

Congratulations to all of the 12 students who have 100% attendance this term, well done!



Pupil 7PB
Pupil 10SW
Pupil 7PB
Pupil 8RF
Pupil 9LK
Pupil 8RF
Pupil 7KR
Pupil 9MK
Pupil 8SP
Pupil 10JJ
Pupil 10SW
Pupil 10JJ

Welcome Ms Abril

Following refinement of our DT/Science curriculum (further details can be found in the School Improvement Plan), Ms Abril joins us as our new Food Technology and Key Stage 3 Science teacher. Ms Abril knows Woodlane High School very well as she used to work here previously as a TA. The staff and pupils are excited that she has returned to the school and everyone can't wait to see what the students will make in the kitchen.



Ms Till

Welcome Ms Till, our new French teacher! Ms Till joins Woodlane following the retirement of David Fletcher.

Ms Till will be teaching students on a Monday and Tuesday and we look forward to welcoming her into the Woodlane family...



Communication Shop

At Woodlane this year we have been running a weekly shop, where different classes visit each week as customers to purchase items from the shop.

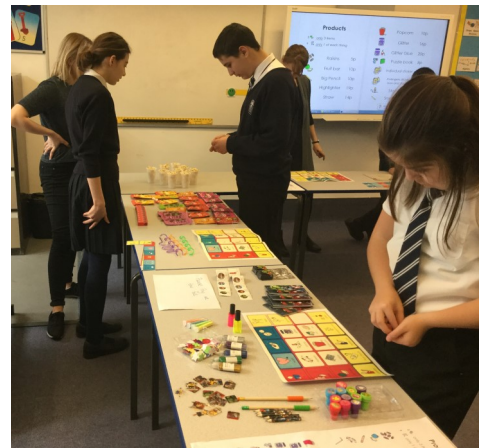
Pupils can exchange their merits to buy items including stationary, stickers, puzzle books and a variety of healthy snacks.

The shop is run by a group of 5 pupils, who have individual roles and responsibilities including cashiers, sales assistants and a manager.

Pupils have the opportunity to develop their communication and problem solving skills and learn how to manage money effectively.



Mr. Patel,
Ms. Kineavy
& Amy.



Year 8 Mosque Trip

On the 20th of June both Y8 classes went on a trip to the Acton High Street mosque, as part of their religious education. The students experienced firsthand the layout of the mosque, the stunning decorations (especially the huge chandelier and tiles) and asked the Imam (priest) about Islam.

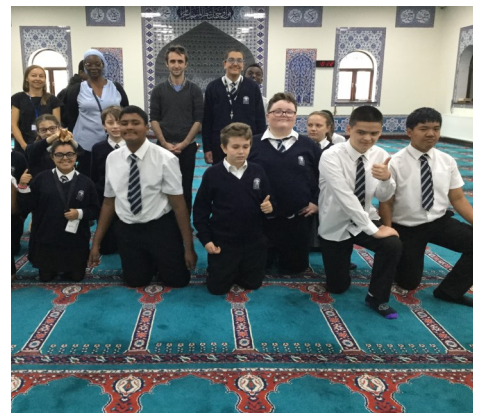
Everyone enjoyed the experience of learning new things in the classroom and in a real life place combining both types of knowledge to further their learning.

Some comments from the students about the trip:

"I like the patterns inside the mosque"

"I like the style of the mosque"

"The crescent on top was very shiny and beautiful"




SALT strategies

With the summer holidays upon us it can mean that there may be opportunities for pupils to do activities such as camps, holidays, day trips, visiting etc. Many of our pupils find it easier to talk about their experiences when we use specific questions, visuals and/or sentence starters to help them. Consider using some wh-questions and sentence beginnings to help your child talk about their day. If your child finds it difficult to answer a question offer them a choice, e.g. did you play football or go swimming? was it in the morning or after lunch? etc.

My day.....


Where?




I went _____

I visited _____

When?



Who?



I went with _____

_____ went with me

What did you do?



I played _____

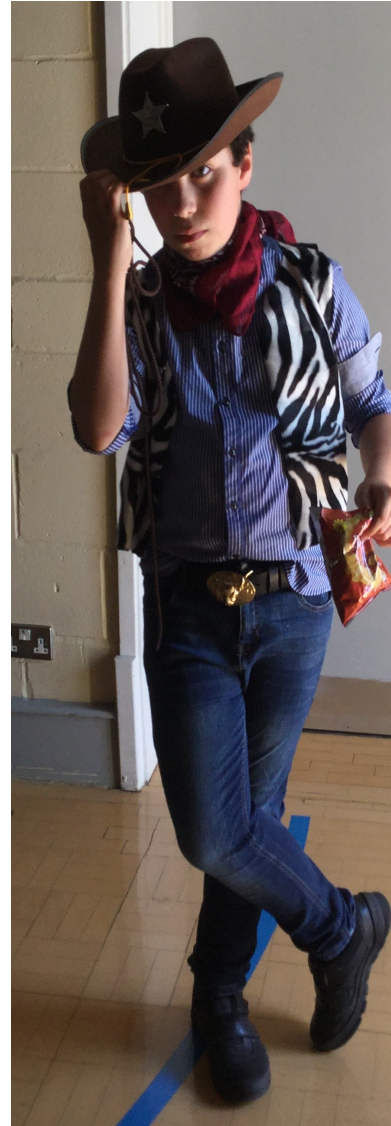
I saw _____

I made _____

I ate _____

I bought _____

Woodlane Party!



As a celebration and a 'thank you' to all the staff and students for such a successful Ofsted inspection, Woodlane held a party in the sports hall.

With Chloe on the decks, the hall was soon filled with dancing and excitement. It was so wonderful to see everybody coming together to have such a good time! We hope that the school continues to thrive and succeed so that we can do it again next year...

Museum of Childhood



At the Workshop I Learnt...
all about different types of Teddy
Bears I learnt about the History
of Teddy Bears What equipment
is used to Make Teddy Bear.
I also learnt how to tell
the difference between Old
Teddy Bears and new Teddy Bears.
At the Workshop We also
discovered that Teddy is named
after Theodore Roosevelt the
American President in 1901.

FLYERZ HOCKEY SCHOOL GAMES 2018 CHAMPIONS!

Woodlane entered two teams in the Flyerz Hockey School Games at the Lee Valley Hockey and Tennis Centre in Stratford. Woodlane 2 played seven tough group games in the expert league. They scored an amazing 30 goals and conceded 0!! Woodlane 2 won the group with maximum points!

Woodlane 2 played Whitefield 1 in the final match for gold medal position. Whitefield were a very physical and difficult team to play against. Woodlane used their speed, teamwork and flair to win the match 4-2 to become champions!

A special mention to our other team Woodlane 1 that played with a fantastic spirit throughout their matches. Their highlights were 2-0 and 3-0 wins in the group.

One of our Year 11 pupils was awarded a trophy for being the best player in the expert league.

Finally, well done to both teams for playing tremendously well, showing great determination, skill and sportsmanship throughout the competition.

EXPERT FLYERZ										
	CHAFFI NCH 1	CHAFFI NCH 2	CHAFFI NCH 3	WOODLA NE HIGH 1	WOODLA NE HIGH 2	GEORGE GREENS	STORMO NT HOUSE	WHITEFI ELD	TOTAL POINTS	FINAL POSITI ON
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CHAFFIN CH 2	1-0 3		3-0 3	1-1 1	0-2 0	1-0 3	0-1 0	0-3 0	10	5 (GD -1)
CHAFFIN CH 3	0-3 0	0-3 0		0-3 0	0-3 0	0-3 0	0-3 0	0-3 0	0	8
WOODLA NE HIGH 1	2-0 3	1-1 1	3-0 3		0-8 0	1-2 0	0-4 0	1-2 0	7	6
WOODLA NE HIGH 2	3-0 3	2-0 3	3-0 3	8-0 3		3-0 3	6-0 3	3-0 3	21	1
GEORGE GREENS	2-0 3	0-1 0	3-0 3	2-1 3	0-3 0		2-1 3	2-3 0	12	3
STORMO NT HOUSE	1-1 1	1-0 3	3-0 3	4-0 3	0-6 0	1-2 0		1-2 0	10	4 (GD 0)
WHITEFI ELD	1-1 1	3-0 3	3-0 3	2-1 3	0-3 0	3-2 3	2-1 3		16	2
FINAL		Woodlane High 2			4	Y	1	Whitefield		
3RD - 4TH		George Greens			1	Y	1+ Golden	Stormont House		
5TH - 6TH		Chaffinch 2			7	Y	3	Woodlane 1		
7TH- 8TH		Chaffinch 1				Y		Volunteers		
1ST		WOODLANE HIGH 2								
2ND		WHITEFIELD								
3RD		STORMONT HOUSE								



E-Safety Day

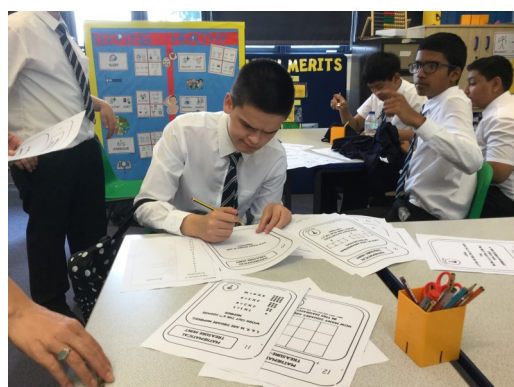
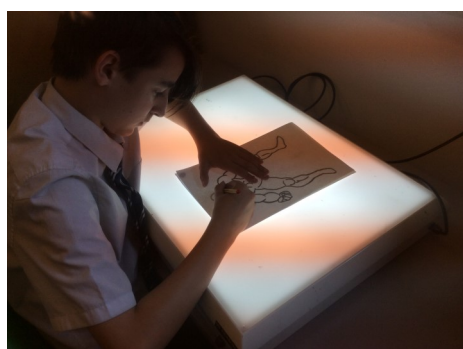
To celebrate our interactive world and promote internet safety, Miss Islam put together a fantastic day filled with various activities around the theme of being a good Digital Citizen (someone who uses technology responsibly and appropriately), with a different focus in each session.

There was baking e-safety cupcakes, where students made and decorated cakes with slogans to help remind us how to keep safe online. Lots of fun was had, and the group even burst into song and had an impromptu Bob Marley singalong at one point!

In the role play session, students made up, acted out and filmed their own cyberbullying aware videos. There were some great short films made, and students really enjoyed getting into character – and also getting in costume!

In addition there was a fun problem-solving treasure hunt, a superb e-safety superhero art workshop, a calm and creative poster-making session, e-safety game creation using the Scratch programming tool, and a music workshop, where students wrote and produced an e-safety song using Garage Band on the iPad!

The day was a great success, so huge thanks to Miss Islam for all her hard work, and well done to all our Digital Citizens at Woodlane!



Rally4Grenfell

Year 7 Tennis



On Tuesday 19th June, all of Year 7 took part in the launch of Rally4Grenfell, held at the Westway Sports and Fitness Centre.

In May, Everyone Active launched an online charity auction to raise money for the British Red Cross's London Fire Relief Fund to provide financial support to the people left injured, bereaved or homeless by the Grenfell disaster. The event coincided with Westway Sports and Fitness Centre's annual schools tennis festival which saw over 1,500 children from schools in the local area come together for a day of free, fun tennis activities, and Woodlane were invited to attend.

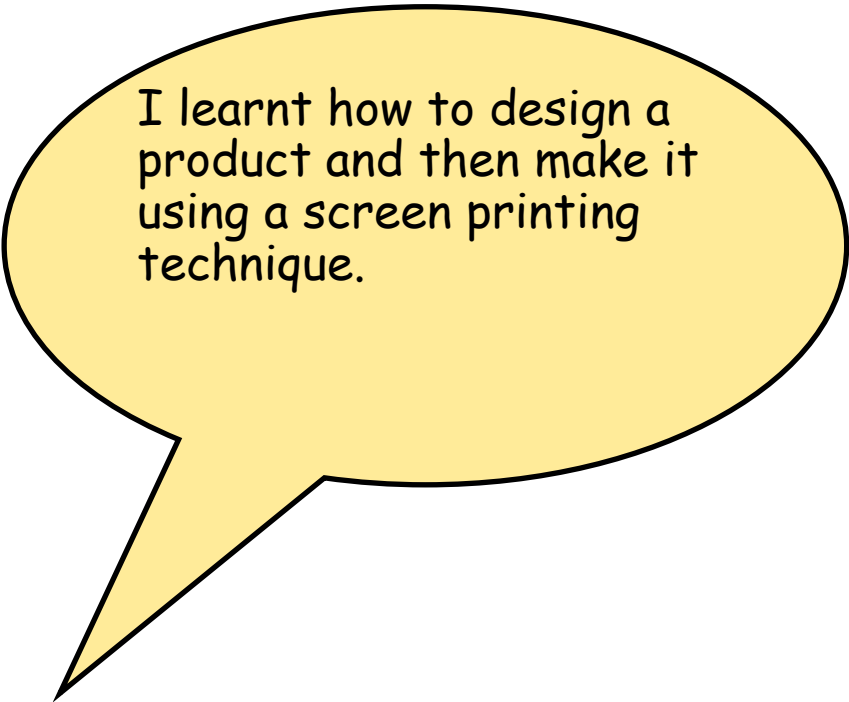
Just before lunch, we took a short walk from Woodlane, arriving at the sports centre at 1pm. Many of the students wore green heart badges they had made themselves to show solidarity with those in our local community affected by the Grenfell tragedy.

We took part in lots of different events, such as tennis, cricket and netball. There were lots of games and the students showed their positive attitude and team spirit. One of the most popular games was 'Golden Child' which involved competing to score goals in the netball hoop, tagging each other and 'rescuing' members of your team by running as fast as possible!

William Morris Sixth Form

At William Morris Sixth Form the year 11 pupils really engaged with the creative enterprise project and created high quality work inspired by the designer Marimekko.

The group printed onto tea towels, bags and greeting cards and in total they have raised £297.00 in sales over Christmas and Easter to donate to the charity Water Aid in Africa.



I learnt how to design a product and then make it using a screen printing technique.



THE TOWER OF LONDON

The tower is 923 years old

I asked who was the first person to get executed,



We learnt about a prisoner who escaped from the Tower and how he escaped. He escaped by writing a note using a feather and orange juice that became visible over the fire.



The prisoner gave the note to a guard. It was used as wrapping paper and a gift to disguise the secret note. He escaped and was rescued in a boat.

We learnt about religion and that Queen Elizabeth Ist would accuse people of treason if they were catholic and execute them.

Message from the Head



We are celebrating our excellent Ofsted inspection at Woodlane! Thank you to all stakeholders for your commitment and hard work, it is our partnerships which make us great!

As you are aware, following our Section 8 one day Ofsted inspection on **Tuesday 1st May 2018** we achieved **Outcome 2**, which is the highest judgement possible during this type of inspection.

Outcome 2 – the school remains good and there is sufficient evidence of improved performance to suggest that the school may be judged outstanding if it received a section 5 inspection now. The school will be informed that its next inspection will be a section 5 inspection, which will typically take place within one to two years.

As detailed in the Ofsted Section 8 Inspection Handbook (you can download this from the school website) a Section 8 one day inspection will not result in individual grade judgments or change the overall effectiveness grade of the school. However, you will now have read our final inspection letter which shares some of the fantastic work we do at the school. Here are some of the selected highlights:

- *[The school is led] with relentless ambition to secure the best possible outcomes for your pupils.*
- *Leaders at all levels are highly effective in their roles.*
- *High quality learning experiences go hand in hand with the promotion of pupils' welfare.*
- *The care and attention given to pupils' personal needs underpin their very effective learning.*
- *The areas for improvement identified at the time of the last inspection have been met in full.*
- *Teachers assess pupils' progress meticulously to ensure that they learn effectively, using the relevant resources to support their progress.*
- *Senior leaders have a clear and accurate understanding of national comparisons and how well the school is doing in relation to other similar schools.*
- *Safeguarding records are kept meticulously.*

We now eagerly await our full two day Section 5 inspection, which would typically be in one to two years, where we aim to demonstrate that we are outstanding overall, in line with our internally and externally scrutinised self-evaluation, which is as follows:

- Overall Effectiveness – **Outstanding**
- Effectiveness of Leadership and Management – **Outstanding**
- Quality of Teaching, Learning and Assessment – **Outstanding**
- Personal Development, Behaviour and Welfare – **Outstanding**
- Outcomes for Pupils – **Outstanding**

Our self-evaluation continues to include extensive comparisons with other SEND Schools, using their school assessment, Raise Online and Performance Table data. As a result, a number of particularly impressive comparisons can be found on the school website under, 'Assessment Progress and Outcomes', where you will also find an explanation of the terms detailed here. Two areas of particular success include:

- Attainment 8 Data - Woodlane is within the top 5% of Community SEND schools nationally.
- Total Attainment Data - Woodlane is ranked 12th nationally for Community SEND schools.

This year we continue to celebrate Woodlane Pupil Awards to recognise significant improvement and contribution to school life. This year's fantastic winners are:

- Role Model Award – A Year 8 Pupil
- Most Improved Literacy Skills Award – A Year 8 Pupil
- Most Improved Numeracy Skills Award – A Year 9 Pupil
- Hard Work and Effort Award – A Year 10 Pupil
- Most Improved Behaviour and Social Skills Award – A Year 9 Pupil
- Independence Award - A Year 8 Pupil

Winners have received a gift voucher in the range of £20-£50, they will also have their names engraved on a trophy, so their efforts go down in Woodlane history!

I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome Claire Bussiere, our new parent governor, Mrs Till our new French Teacher and Mrs Abril our new Design Technology, Food/KS3 Science Teacher. We look forward to working closely with you all in the new academic year.

Thank you Ms Lloyd and Mrs Jermain for our informative Summer Term newsletter. I do hope parents/carers find its content useful. Wishing everyone a fabulous summer, I look forward to seeing you all in September!