

Safe Start Highlights



This term at Safe Start has been filled with exciting activities, enriching trips, and memorable assemblies that have brought learning to life for our students. From hands on experiences outside the classroom to engaging events within it, our students have embraced every opportunity with enthusiasm and curiosity.

This newsletter offers a glimpse into the many moments that made this term special.

We hope you enjoy reflecting on everything we've achieved together.



Trips and Visits

Cockfield's Farm Park

As part of their English studies on *Animal Farm* by George Orwell, Thrive students enjoyed an enriching visit to Cockfield's Farm Park. The trip provided a hands-on experience that supported their understanding of the novel's themes and characters by observing the behaviours and environments of real-life farm animals.



Bowling

Our KS3 class had a fantastic time on their recent trip to the bowling alley! The outing was a great opportunity for students to enjoy some well-earned fun, build teamwork skills, and celebrate their hard work this term.





End of Year Trips



Team Karting

We were thrilled to take our students to Team Karting in Rochdale, where they experienced the thrill of real motorsport on a full-tarmac indoor circuit. It was a fantastic day of skill-building, friendly competition, and unforgettable memories. Big thanks to Team Karting for offering such a safe, fun, and inspiring experience!

Blackpool Pier

Our Year 11 students recently enjoyed a fun-filled day out at Blackpool Pier, where they had the chance to experience the thrills of the seaside rides and explore everything the iconic town has to offer. From roller coasters and arcades to scenic strolls along the promenade, the trip was packed with excitement and laughter. It was a wonderful opportunity for students to relax, socialise, and make lasting memories.





End of Year Trips



Moksha Restaurant

Our Year 10 students chose to visit Moksha Restaurant. A decision that proved to be a brilliant one! The group enjoyed a delicious meal in a vibrant and modern setting, sampling a variety of South Asian dishes full of flavour and spice. It was a fantastic way to celebrate the end of the school year, with great food, laughter, and a relaxed atmosphere.

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Magna Science Adventure Centre

Our Thrive students recently visited the Magna Science Adventure Centre in Rotherham.

This unique venue features four immersive pavilions - Earth, Air, Fire, and Water - where students engaged in hands-on science experiments, from firing giant water cannons and launching rockets to spinning in gyroscopic chairs.

A highlight of the trip was the famous “Big Melt” show, a spectacular hourly spectacle that recreates the dramatic steel making process using fog, lights, flames, and sound effects.

The visit also included time exploring the outdoor Sci-Tek playground and Aqua-Tek splash area, where learning and fun combined beautifully. Overall, it was an inspiring day of discovery, filled with excitement, curiosity, and memorable moments!





Assemblies

Complex Safeguarding



We welcomed the Complex Safeguarding Team into school to deliver an important presentation on exploitation. This session helped raise awareness among our students about the different forms of exploitation, how to recognise the signs, and what to do if they ever feel unsafe.

Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service – Safe4Summer Campaign

We welcomed Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service in to deliver key safety messages around the Safe4Summer campaign.

More information on this campaign can be found at:

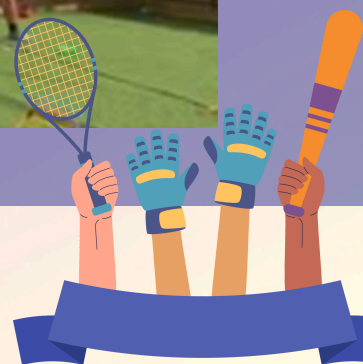
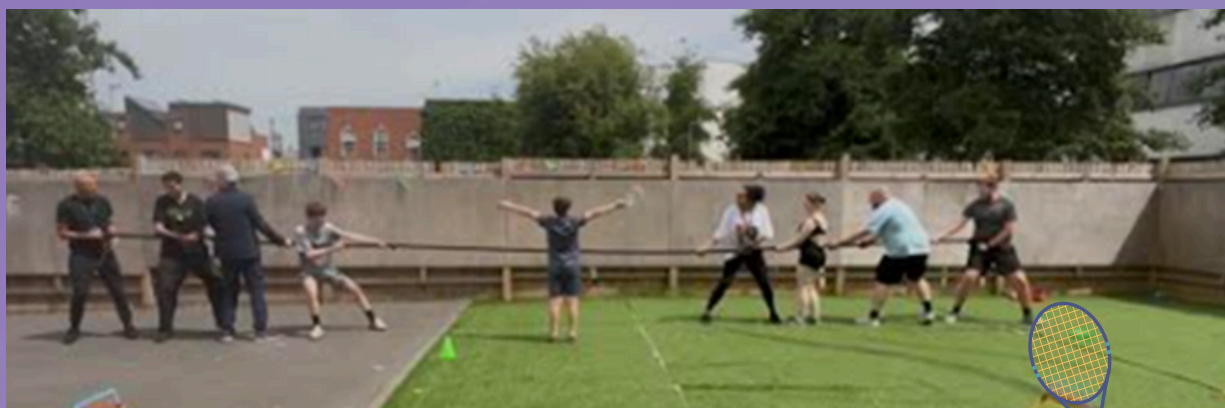
<https://www.manchesterfire.gov.uk/your-safety/campaigns/safe4summer/toolkit-downloads-and-education-resources/>





Safe Start Sports Day

We're delighted to share that this year's Sports Day was a great success! The day was filled with energy, enthusiasm, and fantastic team spirit as students took part in a range of fun and competitive activities. It was wonderful to see everyone getting involved, cheering each other on, and showing such positivity throughout the day. A big well done to all participants and a huge thank you to the staff who helped organise and run the event so smoothly!





Coffee Morning

We had a wonderfully successful Coffee Morning recently, and it was fantastic to see families join us for a relaxed and friendly catch-up. We were pleased to have our Designated Safeguarding Lead, SENDCo, and Early Help team on hand to offer support, answer questions, and chat with families about how we can work together to best support our children. Events like this are a great way to strengthen our home-school partnerships, and we truly value the time and input from all who attended.



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Reading Corner

We're excited to share that we've recently introduced a brand-new Reading Corner in our school! This cozy, inviting space is designed to encourage a love of reading, offering students a quiet place to relax with a good book. It's quickly become a favourite spot for many, with students enthusiastically diving into stories during their free time. We're thrilled to see such a positive response and look forward to nurturing a lifelong love of reading in our school community.



Eid al-Adha

We celebrated Eid al-Adha in school, recognising this important occasion in the Islamic calendar. As part of the celebrations, students and staff enjoyed delicious food inspired by traditional Eid dishes, helping to bring the spirit of the festival into our school community. It was a lovely opportunity to learn more about the significance of Eid al-Adha and to celebrate the values of sharing, togetherness, and gratitude.



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Butterfly Garden

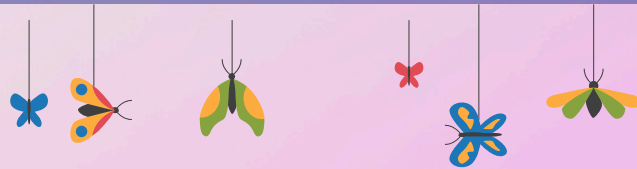
Our students have had the incredible opportunity to witness the miracle of metamorphosis right here in school! Using a special educational kit, we were able to observe the fascinating life cycle of the Painted Lady Butterfly — from tiny caterpillars to chrysalides, and finally, to beautiful adult butterflies. The caterpillars arrived in a clear cup with all the food they needed, and over the course of a few weeks, we watched them grow, spin silk, and transform. Once they became chrysalides, they were carefully moved into a butterfly habitat where, after a few more days, they emerged as butterflies ready to be released into the wild. It was a truly magical and educational experience for everyone involved, bringing science to life in the most hands-on way!





Wellbeing Walk

As part of our ongoing focus on wellbeing, our students recently enjoyed a peaceful and refreshing trip to Dovestone Reservoir. The sun was shining, and the beautiful weather made it the perfect day for a scenic walk and relaxing picnic. Surrounded by nature, students had the opportunity to unwind, connect with friends, and take a well-deserved break in a calm and uplifting environment.





Summer Fair

We recently held our annual Summer Fair, and it was a fantastic afternoon filled with fun and community spirit. Activities included a raffle, tombola, tin can alley, and the exciting release of our butterflies, which students had helped raise as part of a learning project. We were incredibly grateful for the generous raffle donations from a range of local businesses and members of our own staff—thank you for your support!

The highlight for many students was a special donation from Manchester City Football Club, which created a real buzz of excitement. A big thank you to everyone who helped make the day such a success!





Year 11 Leavers

On the last day of term, we said a fond farewell to our Year 11 students as they celebrated the end of their time with us. It was a day filled with smiles, memories, and a few emotional goodbyes. Students took part in the traditional T-shirt signing, marking the occasion with personal messages and well wishes from their peers and staff. They also received their leavers' hoodies and books to take home - special keepsakes to remember their journey at school.

We wish all our Year 11s the very best for the future!



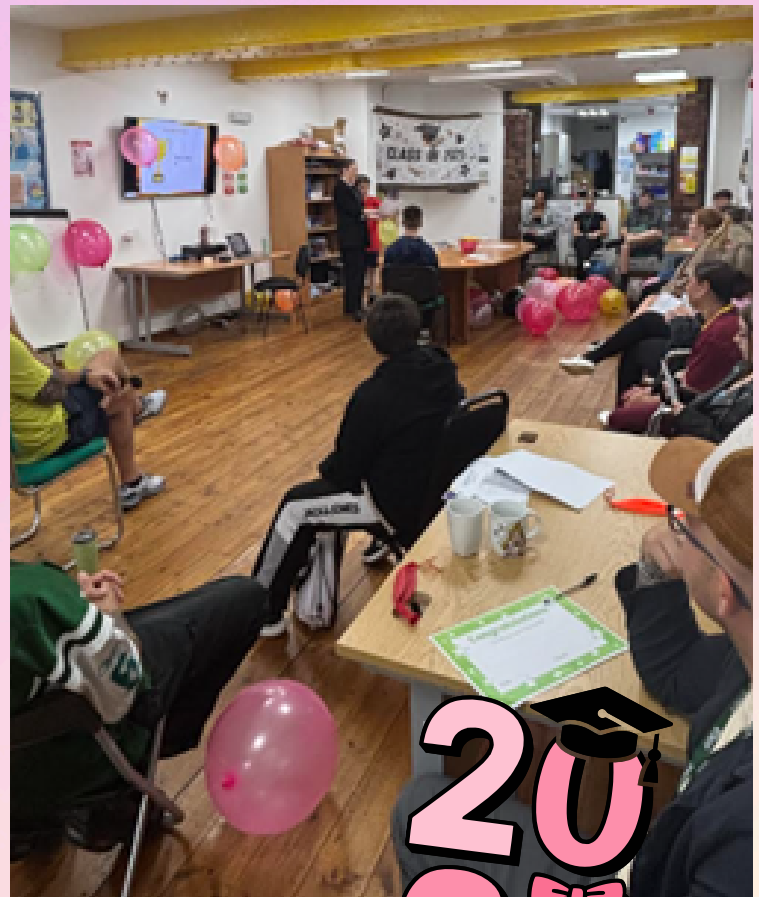
SUMMER HOLIDAYS

That's a Wrap!

As we come to the end of a busy and exciting term, we want to take a moment to reflect on all the fantastic achievements, memorable trips, and special moments we've shared.

It's been an amazing term, and we're so proud of everything our students have accomplished.

We wish all our families a safe, restful, and enjoyable summer break. We look forward to welcoming our students back in September, ready for another great year ahead!



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