

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of Term 4, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and to share some of the many achievements, events and experiences that have taken place across the school this term. It has been a busy and rewarding few months, and our students have shown great enthusiasm, resilience and commitment to their learning.

### **Spring Reports**

Your child's Spring Term Report is attached - these demonstrate the resilience and ambition of our students to develop into the best version of themselves. These reports provide an overview of academic progress, engagement in learning, personal development and next steps. If you have any questions after reading the report, please do not hesitate to contact your child's key worker.

### **Learning and Enrichment Highlights**

Students have taken part in a wide range of activities this term, celebrating creativity, curiosity and personal growth across the curriculum.

- World Book Day  
Students enjoyed a day dedicated to reading, storytelling and celebrating books. Activities encouraged imagination and helped promote a love of reading across the school.
- Chef Development Day  
A particular highlight was one student's outstanding achievement at the Springboard FutureChef South West Regional Final, where they finished in the Top 3. We are grateful to the Executive Development Chef & his team at Griffith Foods, for mentoring students and supporting their development with their on-site masterclasses.
- National Science Week  
Students took part in hands-on science activities, including outdoor learning sessions where they practised fire-lighting, made dampers, and even created personalised signs for their favourite trees.
- Numeracy Awareness Day  
A range of numeracy challenges helped students build confidence with numbers and apply mathematical thinking to real-life scenarios.
- Red Nose Day  
Students and staff came together to raise awareness and support this very worthwhile charity, demonstrating kindness, community spirit and creativity - pizzas & cookies raising over £200 (thank you to all who were able to donate), quizzes & jokes created by our Student Council and something no one will forget...staff and student three-legged football!
- Sign Language Week  
Students explored British Sign Language & had the opportunity to learn some Makaton signing through, helping to build communication skills and promote inclusion.

### **Additional Achievements from Across the School**

This term has also seen a number of individual and group successes:

- Our Computer Club celebrated exceptional achievements, with two students reaching an impressive 124 words per minute typing speed – placing them in the top 1% of typists worldwide.

- The Nurture group took part in a communication and teamwork challenge, navigating a “laser maze” through clear instructions and trust.
- Students created a hedgehog and wildlife habitat using a repurposed bathtub, demonstrating teamwork, creativity and environmental awareness.
- Our PE and Sports Lead, Liam, has delivered engaging tennis sessions that have boosted students’ confidence, coordination and teamwork.
- Hair and Beauty students showcased their skills by giving full makeovers, including nails and hairstyling.
- Students completed their BTEC assessments with confidence and determination, and we are incredibly proud of their hard work.
- A whole host of enrichment activities - karaoke, Dungeons & Dragons, football, basketball, golf...to name just a few!
- Welcoming new students to the On Track Westbury community with kindness

### **Careers Education**

As part of our ongoing careers programme, students have been exploring future pathways through National Apprenticeship Week, Xello careers activities, and information about local college open events. Students have all had the opportunity to have face to face meetings with Independent Careers Advice & Guidance Advisers to help signpost them to different routes of development in their chosen career paths. If you require support or guidance, please contact our Careers Lead at [pcampbell@ontrackeducation.com](mailto:pcampbell@ontrackeducation.com)

### **New Home–School Communication Folders**

After feedback from families, we are introducing new Home–School Communication Folders. These will be used to:

- send home reward certificates
- provide printed copies of school letters
- allow parents & carers to return paperwork or information the school may need

Students will bring these folders home regularly, and we hope they will strengthen communication between home and school.

### **Safeguarding**

As part of our culture of vigilance with regard to safeguarding, we would be very grateful if you could take just a few minutes to complete the survey below by clicking on the link below:

<https://forms.gle/VHdGa95SDqhvHeEW9>

### **End of Term and Easter Break**

As we approach the Easter holiday, I want to thank you once again for your support, encouragement and partnership. Our students continue to thrive because of the strong relationships between home and school, and we are grateful for everything you do. We wish you and your families & friends a peaceful, restful and enjoyable Easter break, and we look forward to welcoming students back for the start of Term 5.

Warmest  
Rachel

wishes,

*Rachel Edwards, Headteacher*

