

“A Pathway Towards Independence and Employment”

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Dear parents and carers,

It was so good to see so many of you for our Eid celebration on Wednesday. It was beautiful to see students, staff, parents and families celebrating the end of the Ramadan. Students took pride in presenting the amazing food they had prepared for the party and so many of them showed off beautiful clothes for the celebration. “Renato, is it time to wear my hat?” – kept asking Abied during the morning as he was so excited for the afternoon event!



As I mentioned last week, in a year when Ramadan, Holy Week and Passover converge, we were very happy to have a celebration with students and staff from different faiths, backgrounds and beliefs.

Eid Mubarak!

Please remember that Phoenix College will be closed on Mondays 1st and 8th of May for the bank holidays.

OPEN HOUSE

MONDAY, 22nd May – 3.15pm to 7.00pm

Thank you to all parents and carers that attended our Open House and Student Led Conferences last term! What a fantastic way to celebrate student’s individual achievements and to learn more about our speech and language provision. This term’s Open House will take place on the 22nd of May.

Please save the date!

NEU TEACHERS STRIKE

NEU has planned another day of industrial action on Tuesday 02nd May.

Phoenix College will be open as normal on that day.

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THIS WEEK

This week, **Ifti**, **Kameela** and **Shucayb** have shown a great example of teamwork during their *Horticulture* session. They have worked together and supported the other class members throughout the whole session. They have worked very hard in order to tidy up the garden shed and achieved a great deal of organization skills.

Rezuana Khan, Horticulture Lead



Thom returned to College after the Easter break full of energy! He has been engaging in lessons for longer periods and starting to develop friendships with students from other classes. Thom really enjoys lessons where he can demonstrate his IT skills: in *Digital World* this week with our **eLearning Instructor Ferenc**, the class learned about on online streaming. Thom was able to use a computer independently to find his favourite movies to watch online. Thom also got involved in our Eid celebration party this week designing different henna pattern tattoos for friends. Great week, Thom!

**Darren Serrano-Griffiths,
Fitness Instructor**



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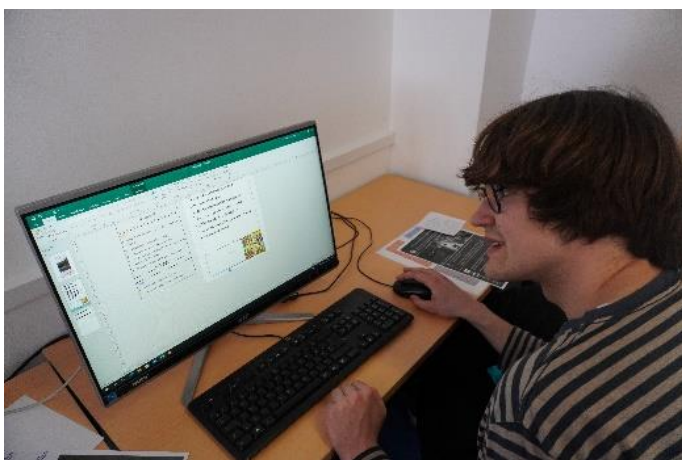
Students in our class were happy and excited to return to College after the holiday! During *Catering*, students took part in preparing food for our Eid party. They prepared a whole variety of meals and they all were thrilled and enthusiastic about the party. Most of the students were dressed up with traditional clothes and they enjoyed dancing and taking pictures. Staff helped to apply henna on the students’ hands which they enjoyed very much as it added to the festive feeling. Students who do not celebrate Eid were also able to enjoy the experience of Eid with their friends. Well done, Elena's Class!

Elena Vata Beauty Therapy Instructor



During our *Local Offer* session, **Thomas** did proper research on the Hotel in the Park respite home. He filled up a questionnaire with very little prompting from support staff. He also easily managed to create a relationship map at Keeping Safe to show the difference between a strong a weak relationship. This is not a surprise, we know that Thomas has great IT skills. One of his termly targets is to work on organizational skills and now he has proven that he can benefit from using a digital timer. Well done, Thomas. Keep working hard!

Frank Kasa, eLearning Instructor



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Peace be upon you. This week we celebrated Eid. Eid al-Fitr, which means 'festival of the breaking of the fast' is celebrated at the end of Ramadan, a month when Muslims fast.

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All week the students worked extremely hard in *Catering* when preparing all the wonderful food served at our celebration. Other students helped to decorate the hall, which looked amazing. It was a magical day, the students looked amazing with their beautiful outfits. The dancing and laughter brought everyone together. I would like to say thank you to all the guests for attending, it means a lot to our students.

EID MUBARAK

Mohammed Ahemd, Catering Instructor



Have a joyful weekend,



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