

“A Pathway Towards Independence and Employment”

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Dear parents, carers and families,

I hope you had a good week. It has been a very busy week at Phoenix College and it was inspiring to see students achieving so many of their EHCP targets.

We hosted the first EHCP Annual Review meeting for this academic year on Tuesday and it was fantastic to spend time with our student and her parents to discuss the plans for the future after graduation. Just a reminder that students now have a **“Future Timetable”** where they can choose the activities that they would like to do after graduating from Phoenix College. If there are any projects, work opportunities, social groups, fitness places or house activities that you would like to see on students’ Future Timetable, please do let our instructors know.

FREEDOM PASSES

As mentioned in my letters to you last academic year, all students must have their Freedom Passes with them when attending Phoenix College. We have contacted all parents, carers and families with reminders about this.

This academic year, students will only be able to attend Phoenix College if they have their Freedom Passes.

All our students have the right to travel for free with their Freedom Pass and that is an essential part of our curriculum and outcomes for every single student.

OPEN HOUSE

THURSDAY, 19th October 2023 – 4pm to 7pm

Our Open House is open to all current, former and prospective students, parents, carers and families. Our focus on this first term will be on Year 1 parents, carers, families and students though.

Open Houses are a great chance for parents, carers and families to learn more about the progress that students are making at Phoenix College and for students to see their friends – current and former students!

STAY UP LATE

WEDNESDAY, 20th December – 3.15pm to 7pm

Our next Open House is taking place on the 20th December! We are really looking forward to our first **movie night at Genesis Cinema!**

Please save the date!

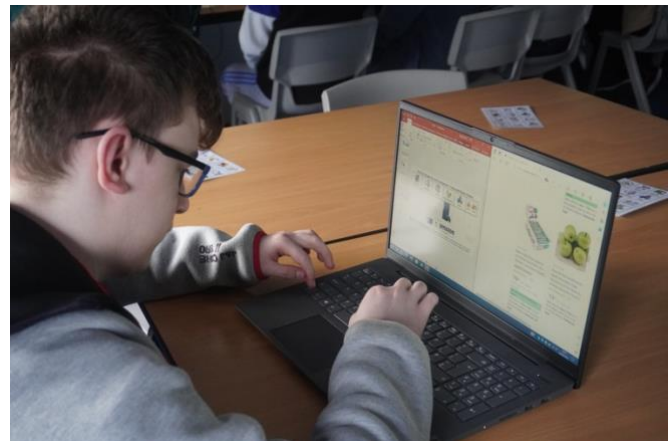
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THIS WEEK

Taylor showed his excellent IT skills at this week's *Digital World* session. Students worked independently on gathering information, collecting items and prices from Amazon. Taylor edited his online worksheet independently; he recognised and used many functions of the website confidently and only needed minimal support to copy and paste product images. Earlier this week Taylor also engaged with *Politics and Culture* and was really creative, inspiring his peers to be more focussed. Great job, TJ!

Frank Kasa, eLearning Instructor



We have had a great week in Mo's class. All students have been really engaged in their lessons and are really showing their memory skills and independence. The student who has stood out the most this week is **Aston**. Aston has been using his CoreBoard to comment in lessons and has also been more vocal. Aston has particularly shown his independence in fitness lessons. When shown a task, he really pays attention and executes the task to his best ability. Aston is thriving in fitness, showing his football skills. Well done, Aston!



Mich Lecce, Job Coach

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Aniqa has started off really well at Phoenix College. This week she demonstrated good understanding during a task in our new course *Speak Up!*, showing she can complete tasks independently without any staff support. Aniqa was really engaged throughout fitness this week learning a new skill, dribbling. She was able to work with a partner and showcase her skills to the group. During *Travel Training* Aniqa is working really well with Syeda, a peer from her class, to walk across the road safely when at traffic lights. Great work, Aniqa!

Darren Serrano-Griffiths, Fitness Instructor



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During this week, **Saira** and **Sameera** have both been active and participated in every single session, helping their peers and the staff. It remains to be mentioned that during the *Enrichment* activity, students went to the shop to find the clothes that they like and the right sizes for them. Saira and Sameera were able to choose what they liked and the communication that they had in the fitting room while trying the dresses that they picked was wonderful. This happiness can be seen on their eyes in these photos. Great job, Saira and Sameera. Well done!!!

Elena Vata, Self-care Instructor

Have a very nice weekend,



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