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Dear parents, carers and families,

I hope you are all having a good week. For those fasting for Ramadan, Ramadan Mubarak! Some of our students might find fasting a bit difficult and we have seen some changes in behaviour this week so please let us know if there are any different strategies that you would like for us to put in place during this period.

Please remember that next week is the last of this term. Students' last day at Phoenix College is Wednesday 27th March. Students will return to Phoenix College on <u>Tuesday 16th April</u>.

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.

STAY UP LATE

WEDNESDAY, 01st May – 3.15pm to 7pm

This is going to be our third movie night at Genesis Cinema. Students are very excited to see a different movie every term. This will be another opportunity for students to choose the movie that we will watch.

OPEN HOUSE

WEDNESDAY, 19th June – 3.15pm to 7pm

Open House to all parents. The main focus for our last Open House for this academic year will be the transitions for leavers.

STAY UP LATE – Graduation Party! THURSDAY, 18th July– 3.15pm to 7pm Graduation party!

Please save these dates!







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THIS WEEK

Dear parents, carers and families,

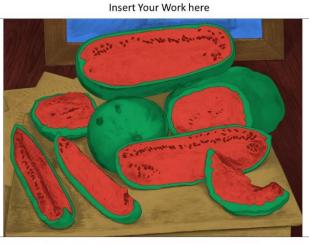
On behalf of your child, we would like to invite you to our next **Student Led Conference**. This will be a face-to-face event held at College between **13:00** and **17:00** on **Tuesday 26th March**.

This is an opportunity for students to present their work, and the progress that they have made to parents and carers. Please let us know your preferred timeslot by replying to the letter sent home with students. If you need any further information, please let us know.

Rick Nunn, Assistant Principal







This week we are thrilled to shine a light on Thom Davis, who has truly embraced a week of diverse activities with gusto! Thom's dedication and enthusiasm were on full display as he excelled in his work placement at *Cemetery Park*, honed his skills in photo editing at the *Digital World* session, and crafted stunning art pieces. Not stopping there, Thom wowed us with his creativity by creating engaging word searches for *The Ten Academy* and impressing everyone with his culinary talents by preparing vegetables for a delectable pasta bake during the Cooking

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session. What is truly inspiring is Thom's ongoing improvement in tackling and completing difficult tasks independently, a testament to his resilience and determination. Here is to Thom and his fantastic week of achievements - may his success continue to inspire us all!

Frank Kasa, elearning Instructor

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I am thrilled to share with you the outstanding achievements of our students this week in our *Cooking* sessions. It has been a week filled with learning, creativity, and success! Throughout the week, all of our students have been actively engaged in our sessions, where they have been learning essential cooking skills, exploring diverse recipes, and honing their understanding of health and safety practices in the kitchen. It has been a joy to see their enthusiasm and dedication as they work together to create delicious meals while prioritizing safety and inclusivity. One particular highlight of this week is the remarkable achievement of **Nathon Weekes**. Over the past 12 weeks, Nathon has been diligently working on the **Level 1 Food Hygiene & Safety** course. This course has equipped Nathon with the knowledge and skills necessary to recognize food hygiene responsibilities and to demonstrate a conscientious approach to food safety. Through his dedication and hard work, Nathon has completed and passed



his assessment, earning him the well-deserved certification. This accomplishment is a testament to Nathon's commitment to excellence and his determination to excel in his journey. As we celebrate Nathon's achievement, let us also celebrate the collective efforts of all our students in making our cooking sessions a resounding success. Well, Done!!

Mohammed Ahmed, Catering Instructor

Throughout this term, Darren's class have demonstrated good progress in developing their independence skills during *Self-Care* sessions with **Elena**, our **Self-Care** Instructor. Students have been learning the effective technique for washing hair as part of their personal care routine. Students are able to locate the necessary equipment and successfully execute hair care routines, even assisting each other during the sessions. Great work from Elena and all the students in Darren's Class!

Darren Serrano-Griffiths, Fitness Instructor

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This week for festive Friday, we have chosen **Yaminur**. This is for the dedication and hard work that he has shown in *Horticulture* sessions. He has demonstrated a deep understanding of plant care, responsibility, and teamwork skills. He has been following visual steps instructions independently. His passion for gardening is evident, and we believe this experience will have a lasting positive impact on his personal growth and development.

Nevertheless, Yaminur has shown significant improvement in navigating various routes, using public transportation, and demonstrating greater independence. His confidence and ability to navigate his surroundings safely have grown remarkably. Well, done Yaminur. Great work!

Elena Vata, Self Care Instructor









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Have a wonderful weekend,



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