

# WINTER NEWSLETTER

Dear all,

What a fantastic first term of the academic year it has been. Despite the hardships of the pandemic, our pupils are continuing to exceed expectations and push boundaries, working to achieve fantastic outcomes.

Thank you to you all for your continued support and encouragement of all our young people at TCES East London, especially in such a difficult year. Your involvement is much appreciated as we move forward into what we hope will be another successful year.



**EAST LONDON** 

Inside this newsletter you can discover the successes of our award-winning Leadership and LIFE programme, see student activities like charity fundraising and successes with English Speaking Board assessments, and hear about more fantastic achievements at TCES East London.

To all the young people and staff at TCES East London, I wish you all a wonderful holiday season and a Happy New Year!

Season's greetings,

Adele Stedman

Executive Headteacher TCES East London









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## **NEWS AND SUCCESSES**

# LEADERSHIP AND L.I.F.E

This term, TCES East London got to grips with leadership and real life skills. We celebrated Leadership Week, giving our pupils some fantastic opportunities to expand their skills and experience responsibility and the world of work.

After holding a Group Process session on the subject of Democracy and good leadership qualities, we took some of our pupils to the Houses of Parliament to see how the leaders of the country work.

Students have also been working throughout the term on our awardwinning LIFE programme. From learning practical skills like car maintenance, and charity work for the Christmas Box Appeal. Have a look at our pictures!





## **STUDENT COUNCIL**

Also as part of Leadership Week, we held Student Council elections, nominating candidates to join our Student Council Members, Anti Bullying Council and Peer Mentor Council. A panel made up of our alumni mentor, a number of TCES East London staff members, and a local youth worker from Highway Vineyard Church, elected the panels.

We were very impressed with the results - congratulations to everyone!

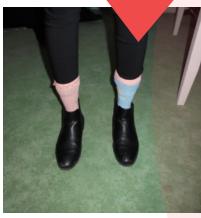
# ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

This term we celebrated Anti-Bullying Week to try and make our school environment a kinder, happier place.

We were encouraged to try to say 'One Kind Word' to spread positivity. To the right you can see pupils and staff in front of our 'One Kind Word' display board, with a selection of words we chose.

We also joined in with Odd Socks Day, a national event all about celebrating what makes someone unique. Pupils and staff wore mismatched socks to symbolise that we are all different and that children should be themselves, accepting of one another and celebrate difference - a huge part of the TCES Way!







#### English speaking board assessments took place on

**ENGLISH SPEAKING BOARD** 

the 1st December and we are proud to say that our pupils performed fantastically! All 8 pupils who took their assessments passed and the qualifications taken were:

- Reading to a child Entry level 3 the pupils passed with flying colours!
- Oral Interview skills for schools Level 1 both pupils passed with Merit
- Speech Level 1 Grade 1 the pupil who took this assessment passed with Merit
- Debating skills level 2 Four pupils took part and all passed this qualification with two of gaining a Merit



### MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

We had a bake sale to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Research. Pupils baked and decorated cakes throughout the week in their food technology lessons, then manned the stall to sell the cakes themselves! The coffee morning was a huge success and a fantastic £158 was raised! Congratulations to all who took part.







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