

HALLMOOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SPRING 1 EDITION

Welcome to our latest edition of the Hallmoor School Newsletter.
We look forward to sharing some of the many
wonderful things that happen everyday in our amazing school. Enjoy!

IN THE NEWS THIS MONTH...

- New Primary Fencing
- Parent Science Workshops
- Makaton Workshop
- Maths in Real Life
- Queen Alexandra College visit
- Exciting Community Inclusion Opportunity

NEW PRIMARY FENCING

We're thrilled to share that Park Lane Recreational Company has installed brand-new fencing for our Primary outdoor area, transforming the space into an even more dynamic learning environment!

This upgrade has paved the way for exciting new outdoor learning opportunities, including dedicated areas for exploration and our much-loved Forest School sessions. These spaces will inspire creativity, curiosity, and hands-on learning, giving students the chance to connect with nature in a safe and engaging setting. A huge thank you to Park Lane Recreational Company for helping us create an inspiring outdoor experience for our young learners!

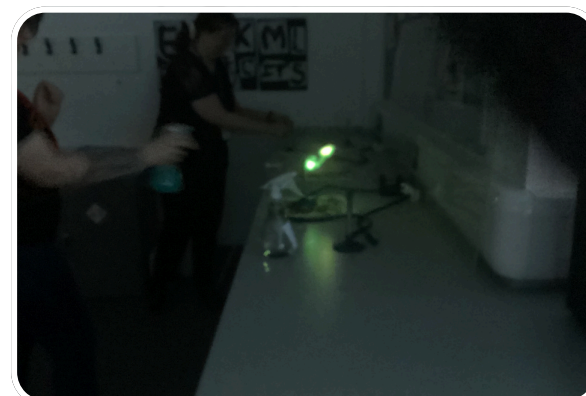
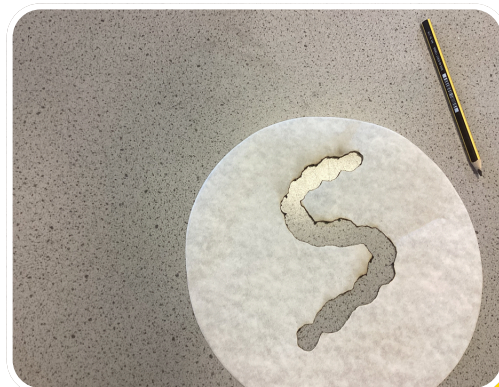


PARENT SCIENCE WORKSHOPS

We have been delighted to invite families into school on 2 occasions over the past month to take part in some fun science activities with students. There have been explosions, fizzes and lots of colours! The aim is to get families taking part in science activities who otherwise wouldn't get the chance.

Thank you to the Royal Society of Chemistry for funding these sessions with a generous grant.

There will be at least 2 more sessions taking place and are open to family and friends of Hallmoor students over 18. If you haven't been able to come yet and would like to, there will be plenty of opportunity. Invites will go out soon but if you are interested then please let Mrs Kershaw know via your child's class teacher.



MAKATON WORKSHOP

On 24th January we held a workshop to support parents in using Makaton to communicate more effectively with their children. Makaton is a form of sign language that is widely used in schools, including Hallmoor, and is used alongside spoken language and symbols to help young people understand language and express themselves. The workshop was really well attended, and all the parents joined in with Beth (who was leading the workshop) to learn a range of signs to support them in communicating simple words and phrases that they use every day.

We will be holding more Makaton workshops later in the year if other parents would like to learn more about it too.



MATHS IN REAL LIFE

KS4 are doing a 12-week programme 'Maths in Real Life, Preparing for Adulthood'.

They are going to the supermarkets on a weekly basis during timetabled maths lessons.

Students are reducing their anxieties and growing in confidence in locating products in different aisles, reading prices, gaining confidence in calculating their shopping and the shopping of others, asking for help from a shop assistant and paying accurately.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA COLLEGE VISIT

On Wednesday 5th February 2025, the students from 6MC class (Sixth Form) had the opportunity to visit Queen Alexandra College, as part of their preparation for the next step in education.

QAC is a specialist college where young adults are supported to carry on their education and to be better prepared for adult life.

Our students enjoyed exploring the college facilities. Also, they had the chance to meet some old friends who previously attended Hallmoor School.



EXCITING COMMUNITY INCLUSION OPPORTUNITY

On Tuesday, 4th February 2025, our 6th formers participated in a community day at St Cyprian's Memorial Hall.



The students enjoyed a fantastic morning where they took part in a community litter picking and made a tote bag from old clothing.



Opportunities like this are designed to provide students with a clearer understanding of what is available in the community, helping them prepare for their integration in the society.