

Our School

Fortnightly News: 13th September 2019

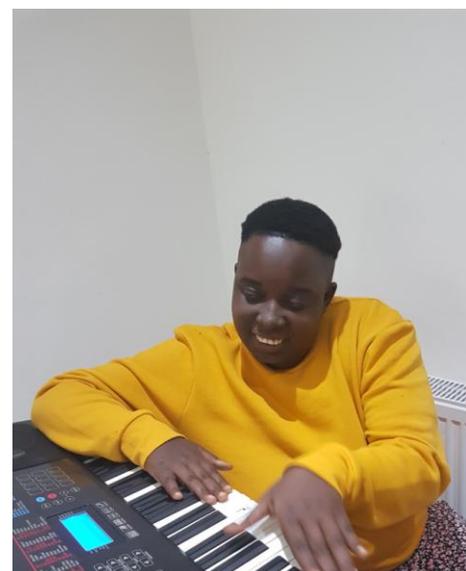
Welcome to the Bridge's Newsletter

Dear Learners, Parents & Shareholders,

We would like to say a huge welcome back to all our families and learners. We hope that you enjoyed the summer break. The learners have returned from the summer break refreshed, rejuvenated and ready to start their autumn term learning.

Also, it has been a pleasure to welcome new staff members and activity students this term and they have settled well into the school environment. Some of our other learners have also transitioned well and are so engrossed and enthralled by their new topics. This year, we will ensure that we are focusing on the key skills of collaboration, critical thinking and creativity to engage our learners in all areas of their learning.

- Edith Eneanya- Bonito – *The Principal*



Educational

“EMERGENCY SERVICES”

This month, learners are finding out about important and helpful figures in the community, specifically the 3 Emergency outfits: Fire, Police and Ambulance. They have learnt about the dangers of Fire and done an activity on recognizing a fire fighter and fire fighting. Next week, they will learn about the Police and the importance of abiding by the law.

SUMMER PROGRAMME

The summer programme was very successful. We had lots of fun filled indoor and outdoor activities with our young adults participating fully and displaying a wide range of skills and abilities. If you missed this year's programme, don't worry, we hope to organize another summer program in the coming year.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

We are currently advertising the position of **An Educational Psychologist** who is registered with the British Psychology Society and eligible to register with the Health and Care Professional Council (HCPC).

Opportunities are also available for an **Occupational Therapist** to work for the school. Please contact us if you are interested in any of these positions

NEW STAFF

This academic year we have employed a new Teacher (Maria), Teaching Assistant (David) to join our staff team. In addition, we have a volunteer Makaton Tutor (Claire) helping with our learners' communication. Please join us in welcoming them. Maria will be joining us officially in October.

WEEKLY STRATEGIES

Most experts describe behavioral outbursts as extreme, lengthy episodes that defy social and cultural expectations and are developmentally inappropriate. People may exhibit difficulties with their behavioral conduct for a variety of reasons. For a child, difficulty regulating their own behavior can stem from a developmental diagnosis, attachment issues, genetics, trauma, physical discomfort, a lack of sleep, hunger, over-stimulation, a desire to escape a certain task, and so on. As the causes can be so varied, challenging behaviours can be difficult to respond to in the classroom or at home.

It is important to keep this in mind because it reminds us those outbursts are determined by a variety of internal and external factors. Neglecting this may cause us to miss an opportunity to support a student's growth, or attend to their specific set of circumstances. It is recommended that you identify the triggers, frequencies and severity of the behaviour using functional behaviour tools e.g ABC chart. Identifying these triggers could help create a support strategy for the individual. – **The Understood Team**



DATES TO REMEMBER

Half Term – Monday 21st October
2019 to 25th October 2019

The Bridge SEN School runs an **ASD Activity Club** on Saturdays, 10am to 4pm, and Mondays 5pm to 8pm. There are lots of activities available for young learners within the ages of 16 to 25 years. These activities range from bowling, snooker, photography club, Art and Crafts, Museum visits, Cooking, Interior Decoration, etc. We receive referrals from members of the public and local authorities; please contact the school on admin@thebridge-school.co.uk or Tel: 02077038587

Our Activities Centre

This week, our learners were engaged in the following activities; music sessions/piano, dance and role play. They have also participated fully in our weekly swimming lessons jointly with other learners from our educational setting. We have also welcomed new learners to our activity club and they have transitioned really well. We hope to carry out more outdoor activities in the coming week.

Anthonia (Acting Activity Coordinator)

The Bridge School admits students all through the academic year between the ages of 14-25. If you are interested in placing a student at the school or obtaining more information, please contact admin@Thebridge-school.co.uk

THE BRIDGE ACADEMIC CALENDAR

EDUCATION

END OF TERM – 23rd JULY (Last day at School)

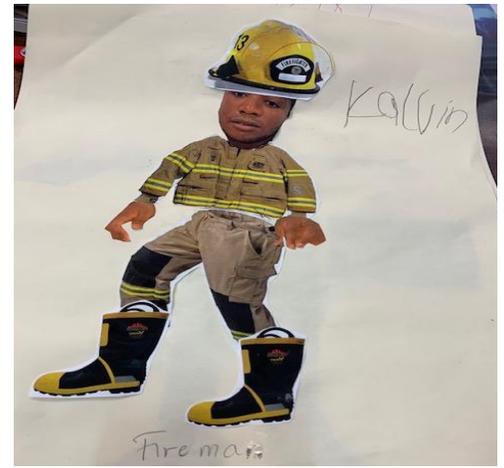
BACK TO SCHOOL – Monday 2nd September 2019

HALF TERM – 21st October 2019 – Friday 25th October 2019

(Please see our website: www.thebridge-school.co.uk for full Academic Year 2019/2020 Calendar)

ACTIVITY

Our activity centre is open throughout the year, except on Bank Holidays.



Drawings/Pictures of the month



OPENING TIMES AT LIRAL VEGET COLLEGE

LONDON

Liral Veget College is the parent company for LVC London School of English and The Bridge SEN School. It offers a variety of English language courses, After School Club and Life in the UK Preparation classes. Our opening times are 8.30am – 21.30pm Monday to Friday and 10.00am - 4.00pm on Saturdays. **Academic Manager** - (James Nuttall)

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Negative words carry negative vibration. Positive words carry positive vibration. What do you want your child to reflect back to you, the label of disordered or the label of gifted in a new way?” – Suzy Miller, Awesomism

We publish our newsletter fortnightly. Copies will be emailed to you and made available on the school's website on (<https://www.thebridge-school.co.uk/our-school>). Thanks for all your feedback. If you would like to make more contributions to our newsletter, please email me on admin@thebridge-school.co.uk - Maryanne Orakah