





# Russell House Newsletter

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Welcome to December's edition of the Russell House Newsletter. Wow – what a busy but exciting term we have had!

#### A Visit from the Police

In November, we welcomed a very important visitor — PC Neil Sharpe of the West Mercia Police. PC Sharpe came to talk to us about what life is like as a Police Officer. He brought along a Police van, uniform and different items of equipment that Police officers use on a daily basis. Some of the students explored the Police van, while others tried on uniform — Jonathan looked particularly professional dressed in uniform!



# Spooktacular Halloween Celebrations

Both students and staff were excited for Halloween this year – we celebrated with a fancy-dress party! Some of the costumes were truly SPOOKTACULAR! There were skeletons, witches, vampires and even a very hairy werewolf!



# **Themed Nights**



Students experienced a taste of Italy when they created and cooked their own pizzas. Lots of different toppings were available but cheese, tomato and ham was definitely a firm favourite.

Eating our pizzas once they were cooked was the best part – delizioso!



We marked Bonfire Night this year by making biscuits and enjoying a cosy night in.



#### **Group Activities**

Students have spent their time together as a group working on arts and crafts, watching movies and having fun in soft play. There has also been a little friendly competition playing board games.

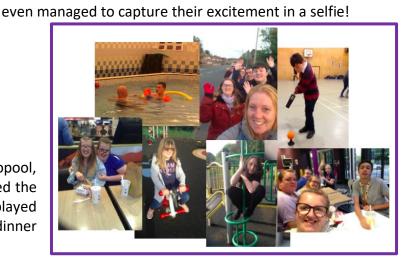


We do enjoy a trip out and have been on many exciting adventures recently. Great fun was had by all bowling and exploring the arcade at Hollywood Bowl. Students

## **Trips & Outings**



We've been swimming in the hydropool, taken brisk walks in the fresh air, used the equipment at the local park, played different sports in the gym and ate dinner at McDonald's.





To spark our Christmas spirit, we took a trip to Webbs of Wychbold, where we joined the singing penguins in a Christmas carol and wandered among the Christmas trees, exploring the decorations and festive lights. We really are ready for Christmas now!



#### Russell House Birthdays . . .

We love a party at Russell House, and this term we have been lucky enough to celebrate Olivia and Chloe's birthdays . . . Happy Birthday both! Fun and cake was had by all!

Kayde and Rio are next to celebrate their birthdays. As we will be on Christmas break, we would like to wish them both a very Happy Birthday – we can't wait to celebrate with you when you return to Russell House in January!





### Congratulations!

Finally, staff and students would like to say a massive congratulations to Carla who has achieved her QCF Level 5 in Residential Childcare. Carla has worked really hard and truly deserves this success – we are all so proud of her! Well done Carla!





Russell House would like to thank everyone for their continuing support this term.

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year!

We look forward to welcoming students back to Russell House on <u>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022</u>!