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## HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Christmas time has crept up quickly this year, but we had the opportunity to think about how this Christian festival is celebrated around the world.

We even had a modern study of the Christmas story and considered what all of the characters in the story would have Tweeted to share their news!!

Some of our learners enjoyed a pantomime at Chatham's Central Theatre- a fun rendition of Beauty and the Beast, followed by an afternoon at Rochester's Christmas market.

I hope parents/carers will join me in thanking all of our staff for the amazing work they do with your children/young people. The school is blossoming with creativity, ideas and interesting ways to make learning fun!

We will be celebrating all of success during our end of term Celebration Assembly on the 17th December

and I know you will be proud of the progress and achievements they have made.

All I have left to say is

**"Have a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy 2022. We look forward to starting our journey again with you all in January"**



## CURRICULUM

This December Pierview staff celebrate alongside the learners, the fact that our learners have completed a combined total of 73 formal assessments!

December 6th saw a week of assessments in a range of subjects including functional skills - Math, English and ICT. Across the school there is much to acknowledge; and that goes beyond learner achievement in that it also recognises the staff supporting learners in terms of both learning and managing assessments, and the effort applied by our learners sitting either their first assessment or the next level of their journey towards their goals.

## COMMUNITY



A massive thank from us all at Pierview Academy to

**"Heart Teaching Recruitment Agency",**

for their beautiful donation of our Christmas tree.

# OUTREACH SUCCESS

## Multiple Intelligence Hub learner success story:

MIH opened in 2019, at which time we referred one of our learners for an outreach timetable.

Tom was once a shy, extremely quiet and had very little confidence but MIH has turned that all around for Tom. He is now a skilled and confident man, as well as the main learner's behind most of MIH's woodwork, mechanical, engineering and landscaping projects!! From a star light board and bat box to a woodland bird hide, a Go Kart, pathways and now even welding!! Toms skills are endless and what's more he discovered them all at MIH!! Tom has also hugely improved in his social skills and confidence, he has even bagged himself a job in the building trade at weekends!!

The best part of Tom's journey was when out of the blue he went out his way to show his appreciation and arrived at MIH one day with a bag of brand new tools that he knew MIH needed, he purchased these independently and out of his hard earned money .....from the job he got.....with the skills he gained at MIH.

**Well done Tom and well done MIH!**

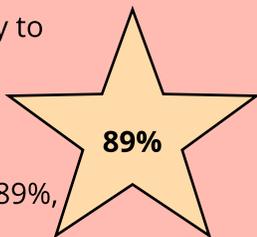


# ONLINE SAFETY TIPS

# ATTENDANCE

Attending school regularly is the key to steady progress of the learner and their enjoyment of learning.

Our attendance YTD is currently at 89%, the National average is 96%.



Pierview takes a whole-school approach to ensuring good attendance and it is the joint responsibility of parents/carers and all staff members to ensure that our learners are attending school as they should be. We endeavor to work with families to make sure that any problems or circumstances which may lead to poor attendance is given the right attention and appropriate support. We are currently working towards the National average.

# CAREERS

Our Post 16 learner, Elliott is studying photography and secured his first paid job as a photographer for the awards ceremony at the First Hadlow Community College - a big well done Elliott!!

Newcomer Kacie started Pierview in middle of November with a passion for beauty, she has now secured a two day placement at House of Beauty, Training Academy.

In November our learners had the opportunity to take part in volunteering for Fare share at Tesco food bank, they all a fantastic job and even contributed to the foodbank themselves, helping with the fight against poverty!!