

# CHELMSFORD HOSPITAL SCHOOL SHARING SUCCESS

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## Maths Algebra

In our Maths lessons, the students have been working on solving different algebraic equations. This is a challenging idea that all the students tried their hardest to grasp. Once they were comfortable completing linear equations, they then started to work on simultaneous equations. There was also a chance for the young people to work together to complete the dominos of Maths questions. It required teamwork and excellent mental arithmetic.

## English Language Techniques

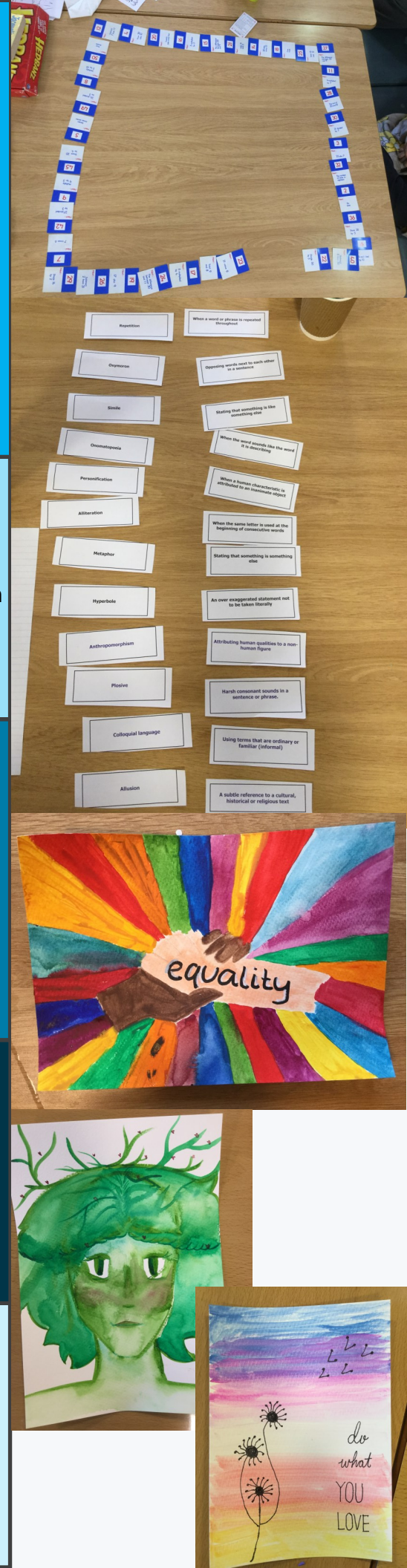
In English this month, we have been looking at different types of language techniques and then identifying them in different text types. Not only have we looked at Martin Luther King's "I Have A Dream" speech and descriptions of different places in Great Britain but some of the young people have also applied this knowledge to their GCSE English Literature poems. Once they have identified the techniques the young people also started to think about the effect of those techniques on the reader—such an impressive skill!

## Prejudice and Discrimination

Martin Luther King Day falls on the 15th on January this year. Therefore, we considered how prejudice and discrimination can affect many people across the world and what we can do to help. By looking at optical illusions, this led into a discussion on how different people may view things differently. The young people made wonderful pictures to promote equality and they also learned the difference between equality and equity.

## AMAZING FACTS

- There are 10 billion billion ants on Earth
- Kangaroos are the size of a jellybean when they are born
- 1 blue whale weighs the same as 29 African elephants



## Vet

In careers, the young people were incredibly lucky to be able to speak to a vet, Helen Todd, who has worked across the world with a plethora of different animals. As Helen lives in Australia, we spoke to her via zoom which meant that her evening was our morning time! Helen shared many pictures and stories from her career. Not only did she speak about when she has worked on a turtle conservation project to help protect an area in the ocean for this endangered species but she also shared with us when she was able to work in Africa with rhinos to protect them from poachers. The students were able to see pictures of when she worked with penguins, kangaroos, big cats and elephants as well as so many others. Alongside sharing her exciting adventures, she was also able to tell us about the many careers you could have working with animals. From helicopters pilots to wildlife photography, the young people were able to see that you don't just have to be a vet to work with animals. The possibilities are actually endless. The talk was so interesting and helped the young people to consider the different paths they could take — some they hadn't even heard of before.

## Collage Poetry

In English this half term, some of the young people have been making poetry made from the words found in magazines. The first task was to read through the magazine available to them and pick out any words they associate with nature. They considered the adjectives, nouns, verbs and adverbs that they believed best show the ideas of nature. Once they had all of the word selected, they would then work at trying to piece them together to create a beautiful piece of poetry. It was challenging to work with the words that they had chosen to make sentences that show how they feel about nature but they worked well and produced some amazing things.

## Storyteller

National Storytelling Week takes place from January 27th to February 4th. This is a week to celebrate the art of storytelling and share oral tales from history. On Monday 29th, Shane Ibbes visited the ward to share historical stories from across the globe. He told stories from as far as Canada to our very own British Isles. Shane was amazing at being able to engage the audience and pull us into his world. He brought a Tibetan singing bowl with him as well as a Celtic drum to transport us to mythical places through time. Some of the stories we heard included the Maker of Dreams and The Curing Fox.

## Dr Bisati Leaving

Unfortunately, Dr Bisati will be leaving at the end of this month. He has been part of the hospital for 8 years and will be going on to pastures new. In education we have been making a card and a banner to show our appreciation and wish him luck in his new endeavours. He will be missed by all the staff and young people. The new consultant will be joining us on February 5th.

