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PEP NEWS

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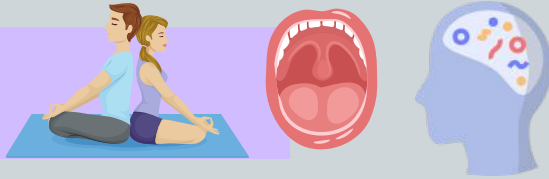


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CURRICULUM UPDATE

WHAT WE'VE LEARNED SO FAR

PRACTICE



PAD and PEP have been enjoying working together in practice every morning; we wake up our bodies with yoga and get energised for the day by listening to some of our favourite tunes! We warm up our voices every day too and do some tricky tongue twisters!

PERFORMANCE SKILLS



This term we have been starting work on The Odyssey. We are planning to put on an immersive performance on **16th July**. In our Text and Story classes with Maddy, we have been learning all about Greek theatre and Greek Mythology. We have learned about all of the creatures that show up in Greek myths, like the three headed dog Cerberus, and the Chimera, a fire-breathing half-goat half-lion! We have also tried our hand at designing our own mythological creatures, as well as our own Greek pots. In preparation for the show, we have also been making props. We have made squares for a tapestry and puppets!

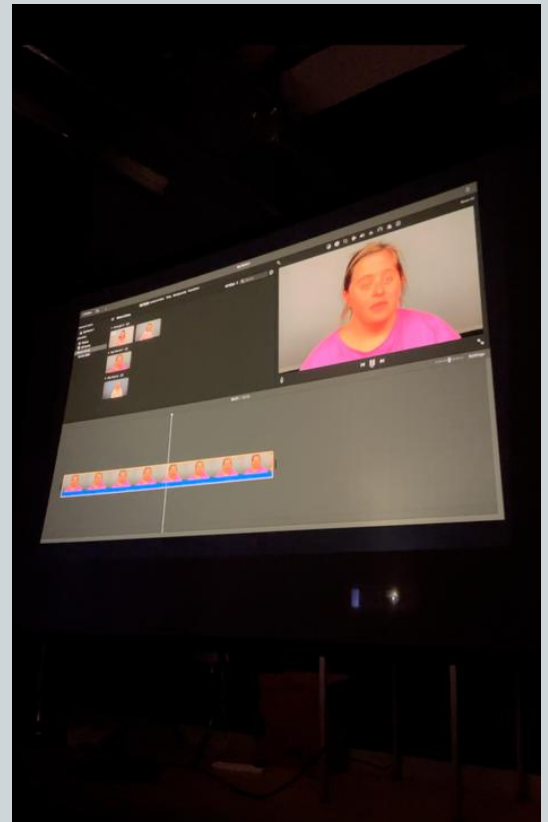
In our Movement and Character classes, we have been bringing these mythological creatures and Greek Gods to life, working on our characterisation and improvisation skills. We have also been learning how to create a piece of immersive theatre, using techniques like breaking the fourth wall. We learned about immersive theatre companies such as Punchdrunk and Secret Cinema and thought about how we can use them to inspire us.



INDUSTRY AWARENESS

This term we've been split into two groups for Industry Awareness. Group one have been learning about different types of careers in the world of theatre from choreographers to producers. We've also got to know different parts of a theatre space and how to use this knowledge to help us as actors, like knowing where to go when your director says 'Downstage! Upstage! Stage right!'.

Group two have been cracking on with our self tapes, working on a duologue scene from the BBC television show *Ralph & Katie*. We filmed two-shots and solo close ups to see how filming would work on a television set, and we've sat down and edited our scenes on the big screen so if we ever got a self tape request we would know what to do!



LIFE SKILLS

PLAN A HOLIDAY
If you wanted to go on holiday how would you plan it?

I am going to: _____

Why I chose this location: _____

How I will get there: _____

Who is coming with me: _____

Activities I will do: _____

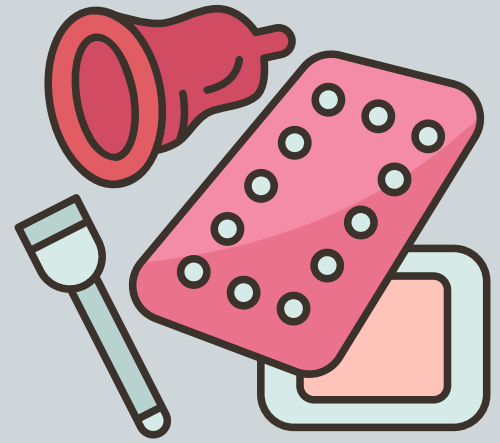
What I will pack with me: _____

In Life Skills we've been planning days out, planning holidays and learning how to book flights - looking at how much everything might cost us, who we would take with us to help us feel safe and what we would need to pack in our suitcase.

We've also been looking at how to have interesting conversations with others that will help us make friends and maintaining healthy friendships.

HEALTH AND WELLBEING - SEX AND RELATIONSHIPS

This term in Sex and Relationships we have been looking at different types of contraception, and how and why we might use them. We've recapped lots of topics from last term, such as LGBTQ+ relationships, IVF and surrogacy.



Sex & Relationships Quiz

- 1 What word beginning with C should happen before having sex?
- 2 What does LGBTQ mean?
- 3 What does the word Transgender mean?
- 4 How would a same-sex couple have children?
- 5 What is a surrogate?
- 6 What is a sperm donor?
- 7 What does IVF mean?
- 8 If you meet someone you are romantically interested in, what should you do first?
 1. Say 'I love you'.
 2. Get to know them better.
 3. Decide to be in a relationship with them.

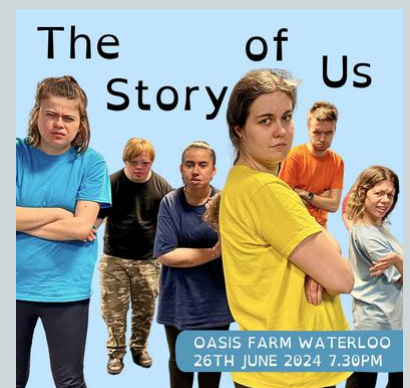
We have done quizzes and word searches to test our memory and knowledge. We've been expanding our knowledge by asking questions and having discussions about healthy relationships. We even did a 'speed dating' exercise where we learned about all the different types of contraception!



STORY OF US - TOUR

We have been busy reworking the existing script to go out on tour to some local SEND schools. We worked collaboratively to change our audience from care workers to students.

Working in a smaller team has allowed us to challenge ourselves in different ways. Focusing on learning our lines more and being able to deep dive into our characters.



STORY OF US - DIGITAL RESOURCES

While one half of our group is working on a Story of Us tour, the other half has been working on producing digital resources about the show. A lot of planning has to go into this, so we've spent time writing down and discussing ideas of what kind of things we want to put out there. Our first resource will be a film about how we created our movement pieces.

We started by storyboarding each shot of the film, describing what would happen and what kind of shot it would be. Then our choreographers got to work making the storyboard come to life. We have script writers working hard to write the voiceovers, and a team of producers planning all of the equipment we need to get filming.

PRODUCTION CHECKLIST

- Call sheet
- Costumes
- Lighting Design
- Camera x2
- Microphone
- SD cards
- Camera tripod
- Camera charger
- Microphone
- Coloured Tape
- Prop Microphone
- Pictures from SOU
- Credits & Music:
- Link to website

24th May.

Introduction with All Movers

- Microphone
- Wide shot of ALL and close up of individuals.



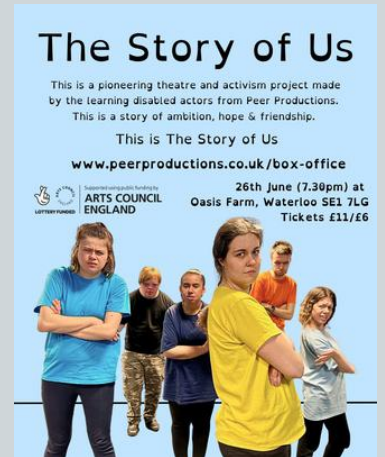
OUR TAPESTRY CREATIONS!



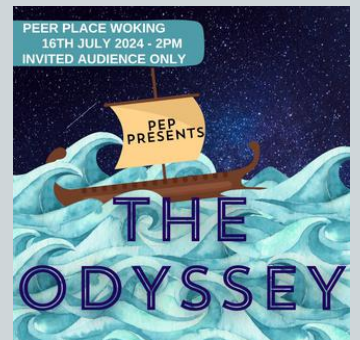
IMPORTANT DATES

Show Dates:

The Story of Us at Oasis Farm on Wednesday 26th June @ 7.30pm. Tickets available from our Box Office on the Peer website.



The Odyssey and end of year celebration and graduation is on Tuesday 16th July at 2pm. Tickets available via link sent by Hannah.



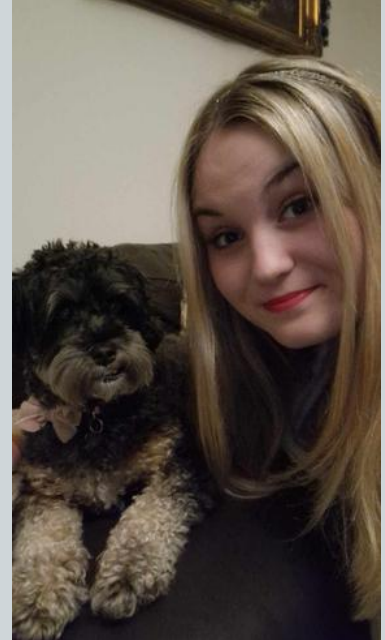
Workshop:

We are very excited that we have been offered an extra-curricular workshop Find Your Clown. This is on Wednesday 17th July 10:30am - 1pm. Hannah has sent further details about this.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Next term we have Izzy coming in for work experience and to shadow staff. She is training to be a drama teacher.

She will be working at Peer on Wednesday afternoons this term.



REMINDER OF TERM DATES AND INSET DAYS

Term Dates 23/24

Half term holiday:

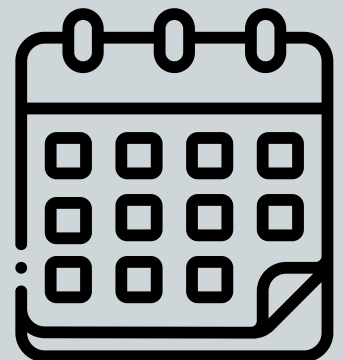
Saturday 1st June to Monday 10th June.

Inset day:

Tuesday 11th June

Last day of summer term:

Friday 19th July



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