

## Update from St Leonards Academy

Dear Parent /Carer,

I want to start by thanking staff for all their hard work this week as despite the challenges we have managed to stay open for all year groups. It has been fantastic to see the school coming back to life and the amazing variety for our students.

St Leonards' students have access to a rich variety of knowledge. The creative subjects are really important and I have been struck by the quality of art work I have seen being produced. Students have also accessed a series of creative workshops all week.



We have had a number of visitors coming to look at lessons in the Academy this week who have been really impressed with what they have seen. They praised the quality of our curriculum, student engagement and the positive learning environment around the academy.

Left – Puppetry workshop / Right – Yr 7 Art

We want St Leonards to be a happy school. Students have been having assemblies on respect and tolerance this week and it has been great to see our LGBT club in action.



To the left Yr 7 Assembly

To the right a new flag designed by LGBT club

Student leadership opportunities are key to future success. This week I met with the Green Team (picture below) who are dedicated group of students keen to make a difference. They have been doing fantastic work in the school and in the community.



The Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme has been reintroduced at the Academy. This week older students completed an intensive day's workshop to compete the award. They year 9 group will be starting expeditions next term.

Next week we will cover some changes in support for students after Easter and also celebrate some more student achievements.

Have a great weekend.