



# YOUTH AND COMMUNITY TEAMS AUTUMN NEWSLETTER

## COMMUNITY FOOD PROJECTS

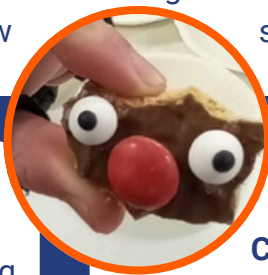
It has been a busy term for our **community food support**. In Sholing we launched our **remodelled pantry provision at the Sholing Salvation Army Church**. This is now offering food provisions, access to social prescribers and additional signposting to all those who come. A **new pantry session and community meal will be launching in January at the Harefield Hub**. Self referrals and referrals from other services are welcome. In Lord's Hill the academy is working in partnership with Great Oaks College to offer targeted support to academy families. **If you are in need of support please speak to community or academy staff.**

Thank you to everyone who has donated food to these projects this term. Your support is very much appreciated.



## YOUTH WORK

With the support of South West Rail our youth workers can be found at **Veracity Rec** on a Thursday evening and alongside the **Mayfield Kicks** session on a Friday evening, engaging with young people, providing activities and refreshments. Young people at the Harefield youth club have taken part in fun activities this term including hot dogs and sparklers for bonfire night and Christmas cookie making. All these activities are helping young people to stay safe and build connections with trusted adults in the community. Working in partnership with Youth Options we have secured additional funding to offer one off **trips and activities**. Look out for activities in the **Feb half term**. Young people across both East academies have also engaged in mentoring and a grief and loss course. At the Oasis City Farm young people have helped to build the new safe wings sanctuary which now houses rescue hens and turkeys. Through this they have learnt new skills and built confidence.



## YOUTH VOICE

Students from all 3 academies went to the **Student Leaders Residential** this term, learning leadership skills alongside others from Oasis academies nationally. We are excited to help them put these skills into practice.

**Students from OAS shared their views on inclusion in school** with adults working across the education and community sector at an event hosted by Mission 44 and Centre for Young Lives at Portsmouth Guildhall.

In Lord's Hill students are planning their own community wellbeing project as part of the #IWill project. They will be delivering this next term.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Christmas Holiday HAF:

Ice Skating and Bowling Trips from East Southampton 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> December.

Christmas meal and roller disco 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> December - Mayfield Leisure.

**Pantry Powered Recipes:** Video and recipe cards to support cooking on a budget and Harefield Pantry

### **Tiny Turtles Toddler Group:**

Launching at the Harefield Hub on the 8<sup>th</sup> January

**Saturday Farm Youth Group** at Oasis City Farm, taking new bookings for January

