



6 December 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

RE: Library Pen Pals trip(s) to Glastonbury Care Home

We are delighted to announce that St Dunstan's Pen Pals have been invited to meet their letter audience at Glastonbury Care Home through the success of our Library Pen Pals project between our students and the residents. Not only does this project enhance transactional writing skills integral to the English GCSE, it teaches the value of empathy and service through the connections our students have made, and it has been wonderful to see the enthusiasm and respect our students have shown in the process.

To further this connection to our local community, we have arranged for our Pen Pal students to visit the Care Home to get involved in activities based around topical events with the residents. We are planning on visiting the Care Home four times next year, during school-time, on the mornings of the following dates:

- Monday 3rd March 2025 to discuss and celebrate books with residents for World Book Day
- Thursday 8th May 2025 to get active with residents in aid of National Walking Month
- Monday 16th June 2025 to make music for World Music Day
- Thursday 9th July 2025 to talk about summer plans for the holidays

There is no cost for these trips as we will walk to the Care Home from school, and return in time for lunch. Students will be expected to wear full school uniform and they may bring a snack with them for breaktime. We will be leaving at 10.30am and returning to school for lunch.

We look forward to getting more involved with the Care Home and furthering the connection our Pen Pals have already made. It is wonderful to see the kindness and empathy with which our students have taken to this project, and these trips seek to enhance that for everyone involved.

Best wishes

Mrs O Morris

Librarian and Reading Champion

I would like my son / daughter _____ to participate in all of the trips to Glastonbury Care Home.

Signed: _____