

# DDG NEWSLETTER

## Dynamic Diversity Group

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**Fullness Day, Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> of March.** Guest speaker Andy Stone wowed us with tales of his life with neurodiversity. He shared with us his struggles and successes, and exciting tales of swimming with sharks. Andy left us with a positive message, *'If you can't do what everyone else can...do something everyone else can't.'*

**Fullness Day: Whole school learning.** A presentation was created in celebration of neurodiversity. Its aim was to foster compassion and understanding, and the idea that having a neurodiversity makes us not only wonderfully unique but creates powerful heightened characteristics.

**Collective Worship KS2: What is the DDG about? Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> of January.** Members of the group shared their experience of the DDG and what it means to them to be an integral part of school culture.

**Non-uniform and Bake Sale Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> of March.** We raised an amazing £536.87 when our school community came together and raised the funds to support our Fullness Day.

**Cultural World Food Day.** The DDG and the cooks at Edwinstree, are working together to explore food from around the world. Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> of April, we explored the rich flavours of the Caribbean.



**Diversity Teacher Training.** The DDG gave a talk to teachers about how a more diverse curriculum can benefit all students here at Edwinstree, their aim was, *'looking beyond the pages of the curriculum to how we can effectively and respectfully teach all students within our school community.'*

**Diversifying the Curriculum.** Members of the DDG had several meetings with their History and R.E teachers to discuss the current curriculum. They elaborated on how it should include positive historical events, and extend other cultures, religions, and beliefs to make it more inclusive.

**PSHE: Microaggression KS2 & KS3**  
The DDG created 4 lessons for each year group (KS2 and KS3) for PSHE. Focusing on microaggression. The Schemes of work included lesson plans, worksheets, quizzes, videos, case studies, complete lessons with PPT slides, and survey analysis.

**Diversity Charter.** This can be found in all classrooms at Edwinstree. It is a clear message that we are working together to build a school that welcomes all. The key elements of the charter are to, *'Consider what is said to others and be conscious of our words, actions and behaviour.'*

**Black History Month October 2023.** This month was dedicated to daily quotes of inspiration.

*"I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel."*

Maya Angelou



**Future Events:**

- CoWo on the diversity of religion in our school community.
- DDG Celebratory afternoon.