

## **GAYNES IN THE MONTH OF JULY 2021.....**

Within the month of July our students took part in the following activities:

- PSICHE topics covered were: Identity, Diversity, Peer pressure, Social media, Consumer rights and responsibilities, Critical thinking and fake news, Employment rights and responsibilities, Diversity in the workplace, Consumer rights, Critical thinking and fake news, Employee and employer rights & responsibilities, Diversity in the workplace
- Years 9 and 10 took part in an Access Higher Education event where they experienced workshops aimed at developing knowledge of the workplace, extended writing, the real value of money and the value of action planning
- Year 10 students completed an emergency first aid course giving the pupils the skills and knowledge to safely perform CPR
- Year 7 & 8 Art & Design have been inspired by nature and have been making wire sculptures for the garden. They also created cement and mosaic stepping stones for the school grounds
- Year 9 have responded to recent national events by showing their solidarity with Marcus Rashford and the England players after the football racist attacks. They expressed their feelings about the racist remarks by creating heart filled messages which were then displayed around the school as part of a poster montage
- The anti - bullying ambassadors organised a well-being poetry competition with some superb entries from across the school
- The anti - bullying ambassadors held a staff well - being coffee morning, all staff attended and there were engaging and productive conversations in a relaxed atmosphere. The Anti Bully Ambassadors performed their role to a very high level and all the staff were appreciative of the advice given by the ambassadors
- Year 9 submitted their First Give Charity presentations for the 'prize' of winning £1000 donated towards their chosen charity. The standard of the presentations was very high and the First Give judges will have a tough job of separating the groups. Result will be shared in September. Good luck to all
- All year groups participated in a sports week across all PE lessons with additional time given to complete mainly team events. Pupils competed across sports such as indoor rowing, netball and kwik cricket
- Head Boy And Girl elections took place – Solomon Sankoh and Leila Sykes were voted in and will lead the prefect teams
- Each year group had a separate achievement assembly where a certificate was presented to the student who each department felt had made the most achievement or effort this academic year. Additional certificates were presented for excellent attendance, punctuality, achievement points and head teacher commendations.

### **Assembly topics covered were:**

Sports week  
Achievement

### **Sport**

Leon Bengo, in Year 9, represented Essex in the Junior Boys High Jump in at the English Schools Athletics meet in Manchester