

Head Teacher Comment:

Happy New Year! There have been lots of exciting changes this term; from physical changes such as the classrooms and staff to 'behind the scene' changes. The teachers at AGH and BRI have been working really hard to ensure that the experience that all pupils have is enjoyable and helps them in their education and well-being. The topic of 'The Future' is very apt for all of us and we know that it will have a positive impact on the pupils. Thank you to all the parents and guardians for their support and as always, many thanks to all the staff involved and a happy 2018!

2018 A Year of Positive Changes!!



*Happy New Year to you
all! The holidays seem such*

*a long time ago now! We sadly said
goodbye to our Assistant Head Jane
Grace, who had passionately led the
hospital teams for the last few years.
Yet we are excited for her as she moves on
and begins a new chapter in her life. We
wish her well in her new job.*

*We have returned, ready to embrace the
new year continuing with lots of changes
that have been put in place since the last
newsletter was published. Exciting times
for all!!*

*Many of you are already aware that
staffing and where we are
located has altered. For
continuity for our pupils and
students, staff are now
based permanently at one hospital only.
This is a positive move but we naturally
do miss seeing the pupils we have worked
closely with at both hospitals over the past
few years. Thankfully we will be popping
into each other's hospital settings for
certain meetings so please say hi if you see
us around!!*



The teams from now are as follows:

AGH – Jenny (T), Elizabeth (TA)

BRI – Helen (T), Happy (TA), Nazranah (TA)

We welcome Nazranah to the team as our new Teaching Assistant at BRI. As an ex teacher herself she will be an asset to our team.

Asia who has worked with us as a teacher for the past 12 months is still working for TRACKS and will still

occasionally be seen at BRI. She is now working in our Home Tuition section. I can confidently say her new pupils will thoroughly enjoy being taught by her.

Over the year we will be welcoming in other staff from TRACKS Education, especially Lead Teachers in Secondary Maths, English and Science who promise to deliver additional exciting lessons to our secondary students!



Exciting times ahead!

Panto Fun at BRI:



Coleen Nolan

We were busy in the schoolroom creating panto play scripts using



rhyming couplets when the stars of Cinderella including Billy Pearce and visited the

children's ward. Cinderella looked like she was coming for a lesson in the schoolroom too!

Feedback of the month:

“Excellent lesson delivered. Hussain enjoyed reading the text and answering questions related” (mum).



With Thanks:



This card from a long stay pupil at AGH was really appreciated

We like to share some of the excellent work produced in our schools



This wonderful observational art is by a student at AGH.

Last half term:

We used one of our training days (INSET) to travel to Leicester to network with other hospital schools in the country. TRACKS presented on SEN and also teaching and learning styles. It was a fantastic day where we networked and shared ideas with a great selection of hospital school teams. We are already implementing some of the ideas we learned whilst there!

Children's work:

As winter arrived both hospitals enjoyed constructing these stunning 3d snowflakes



... and as Christmas neared we learned of the traditional Mexican tale of the Poinsettia plant before creating artificial ones!



Topic this term:

This half term our topic is Happy Ever After or The Future (for our older pupils)



This stunning display has caught the eye of children and adults alike as they pass the schoolroom, and all have been keen to play with it!

Lessons are often being linked to various traditional stories and problem solving, involving various subjects.

The future is important for us all, so lessons on what would entail our own Happy Ever After, as well as Careers focus for some of our near school leavers are also being explored this half term.

Classroom update:

Both hospitals' school rooms are having a bit of a makeover! As well as building up resources we are currently awaiting new furniture in both our hospital settings. We are excited to be getting more tables and chairs to accommodate more of you at any one time in the school rooms. Wifi has been better secured too on all our working wards, for those who need to access their school learning platform