

Dear Sir/Madam,

As we near the end of the academic year I would like to thank you for your continued support and wish you a happy, well earned Summer break, hopefully with lots of sun!

I am extremely proud of the good work we do supporting our learners, who for various reasons mainstream school is not suitable for them. Our staff team works tirelessly to provide a safe, engaging environment for our learners and have warm relationships with them. I enjoy my visits to both of our schools as the respect shown to me by learners is high and I have nice, encouraging conversations throughout my visits.

Below is an overview of life at Educ8 over the last term. It has been a busy one with staff additions, trips, visitors and exams. On that note I would like to wish our Year 11 learners the very best in their futures. Some have been with us for 3 years and it will be strange not having them around.



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Head of School



As the school year progresses, I'm proud of the hard work shaping our school community. Our learners continue to show great effort, supported every step of the way by our dedicated staff.

This month, we've celebrated impressive achievements in both academic and vocational areas—proof that our shared commitment creates a positive and supportive environment.

Staff at both Liverpool and Southport continue to provide guidance to help all learners move forward—whether preparing for Post-16 pathways or helping Years 9 and 10 progress into the next academic year.

Warm regards, **Debi Capper**

New Appointment

Introducing Our Executive Head of School - Joe Mangan



Having been in secondary education for nearly thirty years, over ten of those as a Headteacher, I know how important it is to have a range of pathways for students so that we can find the one which will lead them to success.

When I was offered the opportunity to work alongside the amazing team at **Educ8**, I did not hesitate. In my short time working in our schools, I have already been impressed by the passion and commitment the staff have for the students and their education.

My role is to support our Head of School, Debi Capper, and her fantastic colleagues in the Liverpool and Southport schools on the next stage of their development. I bring with me experience of working in a variety of schools across different authorities to support the incredible work of **Educ8**.

By introducing new policies and practices, as well as supporting our dedicated staff to constantly strive for improvement in all areas, we know the future for the students in our care is bright. I look forward to working alongside schools across the Liverpool City Region to support our young people to flourish and achieve.





Introducing Arbor and CPOMS

As part of our ongoing commitment to improving communication and safeguarding, we are pleased to inform you that we are introducing two new systems: Arbor and CPOMS.

Arbor is a secure, user-friendly school information system that will help us manage student data more efficiently. During the Autumn term, you will begin to receive key information about your child's attendance, progress, and communications via the Arbor Parent Portal and App. This will allow for quicker, more transparent communication between school and home.

CPOMS is a leading safeguarding and pastoral system used by schools across the UK. It enables us to log and track any concerns regarding student welfare, ensuring that we respond swiftly and appropriately. CPOMS will strengthen our ability to safeguard all pupils and support their wellbeing.

WRAT and ELSA

We are continuously developing our SEMH programme and from September will be welcoming a counsellor to our team and introducing ELSA training for four staff members; enabling us to provide effective and meaningful support and interventions for our young people.

Building Improvements

Our refurbishment of learner toilets. With improved hygiene, safety, and accessibility, we're proud to offer learners a space that reflects the care and respect they deserve.

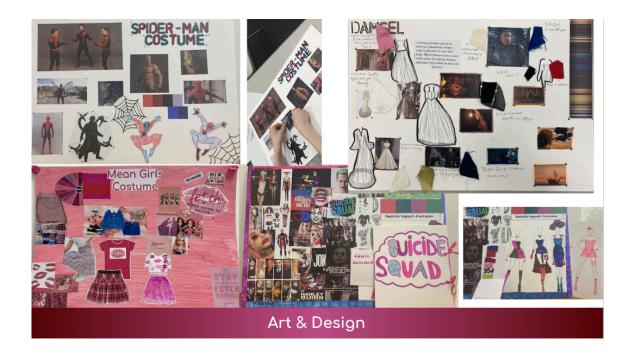


Learner work Educ8 Liverpool

Art & Design



Art & Design learners have worked on Unit AD5 - Creating an Art Image, they have conducted research into various artists and art styles. They have developed skills and techniques to paint onto canvas.



During the last half term, we have been working on Unit AD10 – Creating a Moodboard. Learners have gained a strong understanding of the purpose and application of mood boards in art, design, and across various sectors. They have produced mood boards, demonstrating thoughtful responses and relevance to the given design brief.

For their final assignment, *Movie Magic*, learners selected a movie, read its synopsis, and conducted research to create a mood board that visually conveyed their costume design ideas.

Hair and Beauty

This term we have been working on Unit HB12 Demonstrating hair styling. We have been working using different styling techniques to create a curly blow dry. We have yet to master the pin curls.

Learners have gained a clear understanding of all aspects of the hair and beauty industry throughout the year. They have also demonstrated a good understanding of Health and Safety within the salon.



Construction



Year 11 students have recently completed CON14: Developing Building Maintenance Skills. This unit involved learning about the various trades within the construction industry, understanding how they work together, and recognising the importance of ongoing maintenance in buildings.

They have also completed CON7: Making Carpentry Joints. In this unit, students researched different types of carpentry joints and applied their knowledge by designing and constructing a picture frame as part of their final assessment.

Functional Skills Maths & English

Functional Skills delivery has gone from strength to strength this year with more students than ever leaving us with qualifications. The year 11 cohort have completed their examinations and left with skills which have prepared them well for their continuing education. Many college places have been secured and we held an end of year party afternoon in celebration of their ongoing achievements.

The remaining students are completing assessments in preparation for September and reflecting on their progress this year.

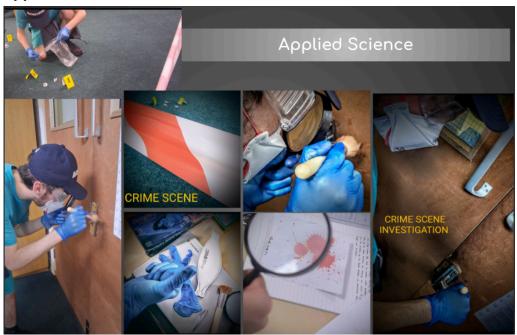
We are proud to see many students who have progressed swiftly and filled gaps in their English and Maths knowledge.

P.S.H.E



As part of their PSHE education and to promote healthy eating habits, students actively engaged in making fruit smoothies. This hands-on activity not only supports their understanding of nutrition and making healthy lifestyle choices, but also encourages teamwork, creativity, and practical life skills.

Applied Science



Learners have been investigating a crime scene in Applied Science - Unit ASc12: Investigating a Crime Scene. They used some of their CSI skills on a scene staff had set up in the classroom. Fingerprints were taken, evidence was collected and after analysis, the crime was solved!

REACH Reward Scheme

Our Reach Reward Scheme is designed to encourage excellence, promote positive behaviour, and inspire learners to reach their full potential. We believe in recognising and celebrating hard work, positive attitude and achievement of all students.



Trips



Educ8 learners visited Hugh Baird College to find out what courses are on offer, speak with the staff there and get an idea of what the facilities and atmosphere is like.

Visitors



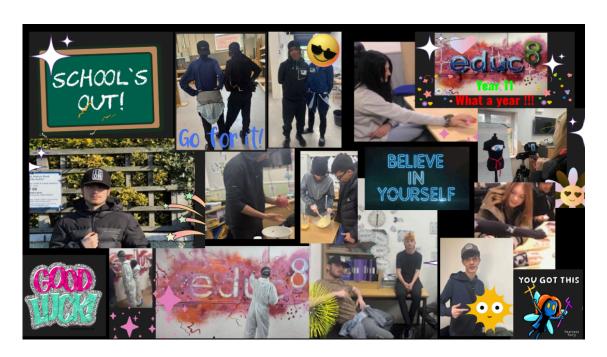
This 12 week project uses the power of the LFC badge to engage with local students, providing them with key skills, confidence and the resilience to overcome obstacles and choose the right pathways in life. The program concludes with learners presenting their project themes at Anfield Football Club, alongside students from other schools, to determine the overall winner.

Learner of the Year 9, 10, 11 & Most Improved Awards 2024/25



Learners were presented with a certificate and gift voucher in recognition of their outstanding efforts and progress.

Farewell, Year 11 - 'Believe in Yourself!'



We held a special assembly to let our Year 11 students know just how proud we are of them and how excited we are for all that lies ahead, to go forward with confidence, knowing that they are capable of achieving great things. They were treated to an outstanding singing performance by two Educ8 Tutors and a video presentation of their memories. Needless to say there was laughter and tears as we wished them all the best in their next steps.

Success Story

Learner Testimonial - Alisha

Alisha has made remarkable progress during her time with EDUC8. Having previously attended seven other schools, she joined us in Year 10 and has shown exceptional resilience and determination throughout her journey.

Despite the challenges she faced, Alisha flourished and was proudly named our *Learner of the Year* in Year 11. At the end of the academic year, she took part in a six-week pre-apprenticeship programme with the NHS, alongside eight other candidates. Not only

did Alisha pass the programme with flying colours, but she also secured one of only two available apprenticeships within the NHS — far surpassing all our expectations.

We are incredibly proud of everything Alisha has achieved. In addition to her NHS success, she also gained her Functional Skills qualifications in English and Maths at Level 1, as well as BTEC qualifications in Science, Hair and Beauty, and a Diploma in Art and Design. Her achievements are a true testament to her hard work, perseverance, and potential.

Educ8 Southport provision

Construction Update: Painting and Decorating

As part of our building maintenance unit in construction, learners have been exploring painting and decorating techniques. We discussed the common reasons for carrying out this type of work, such as peeling paint, cracked or dirty tiles, general wear and tear, and signs of damp.



Learners identified a wide range of tools, materials, and equipment used in decorating tasks—including scrapers, sandpaper, brushes, rollers, ladders, masking tape, primer, paint, varnish, fillers, wallpaper, tiles, and grout. We also focused on understanding the purpose of each item and how they're used in practice.

Key steps covered in our learning include preparing the area, cleaning surfaces, removing old paint or wallpaper, sanding, priming, painting, and replacing tiles. These activities are helping learners develop the skills needed to assess maintenance needs, select appropriate resources, and carry out tasks safely and effectively.

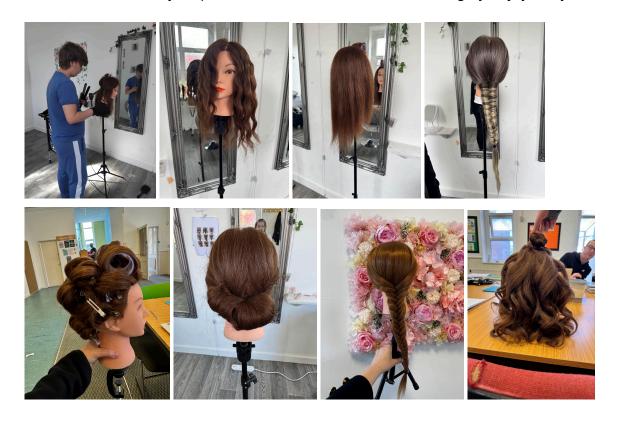
To put their knowledge into practice, the group began by painting the fencing around our school grounds—an activity they really enjoyed!

Hair and Beauty

HB12 Unit Update: Styling Techniques

This term in our HB12 unit, learners have developed key skills in blow drying, French pleating, and pin curling techniques. We explored how factors such as hair texture, length, and condition influence the choice of styling methods, and focused on selecting the most suitable techniques based on individual client needs and desired outcomes.

Learners have grown in confidence and ability, and it's been fantastic to see the high standard of work they've produced. This unit has been thoroughly enjoyed by all!



PE - Our learners are really enjoying our PE sessions at Southport college on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. In these sessions we have our own coach and have been learning Football skills, Badminton, Squash, Boxing and Kick boxing. The learners really enjoy the sessions as they learn something new each time.



Guest Speakers

Olympic Bike Maintenance Team Visit

We were fortunate to welcome the Olympic bike maintenance team to Southport for an inspiring session with our learners. They shared their journey into the field, offering fascinating insights into the work they do behind the scenes at elite sporting events.

The team spoke about the exciting places their job has taken them around the world and the incredible people they've met along the way. Our learners were thoroughly engaged, especially those with an existing interest in bike maintenance, as they gained a real sense of the exciting opportunities this career path can offer.

Our Reading Corner

We have made a quiet space for learners to read for their own pleasure and this is becoming really popular with the learners.

Finally

If you haven't called in to say hello, please arrange a visit with Debi. Her email address is debi.capper@educ8group.com and phone number 07817

957459. We have limited places available for September if you would like to refer any learners.

