

Fort Pitt Grammar School.

What have we achieved to make a difference?

Our Original Aim:

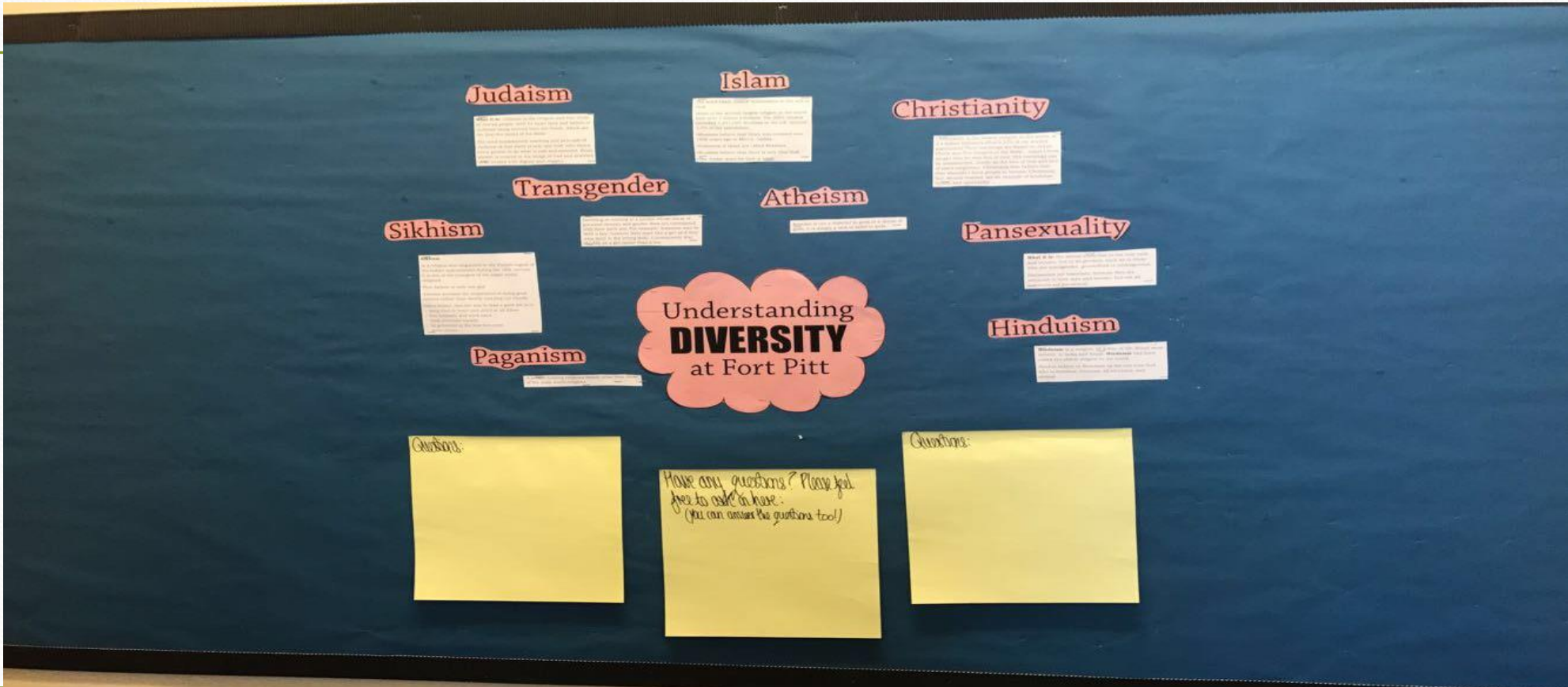
- After attending the Launchpad at Wellington College, we had decided on our theme and were thinking about our plan of action.
- We decided that our main aim was to raise awareness of diversity at Fort Pitt, and make sure everyone was accepting and knowledgeable about other religions and differences, even if they were not in our school, we could help them change the attitudes in a community.

The Team:

The roles in our society goes as follows:

- Mariah – President.
- Molly – Project leader.
- Georgia – Secretary.
- Mrs Bambling – Supervising teacher.

Our Display Board:



Why We Chose To Do This?

- Our initial idea behind the display board was to create a **safe space** where people could write down questions that they had, either about religions or different sexuality types.
- The board has three large post-it notes down the bottom, which is an available space to write questions. On the board, we also have lots of information about sexuality and religions.
- We thought, if people were too scared or shy to ask questions they thought were offensive or silly, they could write it down anonymously, to avoid embarrassment and extend their own understanding.

Our Second Idea:

- Our second idea as a group is to create a 'Pot-luck' dinner, which will include a taste of different cuisines from all different cultures, all cooked by the students and teachers.
- We are planning to have seven different tables, each one decorated and playing music from the assigned continent. The way to sign up is going to be an email sign up, and if you bring food, you can attend. If you come along on the spot, we will be thinking of charging an amount, to cover the charges of: Paper plates, cutlery, drinks, and decorations. We were thinking 50p is appropriate.
- The Pot Luck event is going to take place in Term 5, and we hope it can be an annual event or even termly event if it is popular enough.

Our Budget.

- After thinking of our ideas, we realised something **urgent**. We needed a budget for the pot-luck dinner.
- The possible budget was discussed with our head teacher, Mr Watkiss, and we were fortunate to be allocated a £70, budget for the pot-luck dinner.
- Once we had the money agreed, we were all ready to go with wider planning.

Our Society:

- Once we knew some of our projects were authorised by Mr Watkiss we started our society in school.
- The aim of this was to help other people get involved with the projects and feel like a part of a team. Our enthusiasm increased due to their excitement to start.
- It was so encouraging to see a friendly face and to know that, even if this whole idea failed, we had still made good friends that we will never forget. There is a wide age range in our society, we have twenty five + people, starting at year eight and ending at year 13.

Our Personal Highlights So Far:

- Molly – I have really enjoyed getting to work with people I've never even met before, and the chance to really make a difference in our community.
- Georgia – I have loved getting to help out in the school, I feel like it's done so much for me and now its my time to give something back.

The Project: Title and Logo:

- Our Project title is ‘Understanding Diversity at Fort Pitt’.
- Our Project logo is shown down below:



Impact and Skills I personally gained:

- This project had a significant impact on me. Knowing that this project would be completed now, a month ago, I would've said that's impossible.
- There have been definite downs (Like almost having a staple fly in my eye) and many ups, but the experience has taught me so many things.
- I learned how to hold a staple gun! (I was slightly scared.)
- **But most of all, I've learned how important it is to learn how to work in a team.**

Thank You For Listening!

- We hope you enjoyed our presentation!