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| Committee(s) Education Board | Dated: 20/10/2022 |
| Subject: Education, Cultural and Creative Learning and Skills Update | Public |
| Which outcomes in the City Corporation's Corporate Plan does this proposal aim to impact directly? | 3, 8, 9 & 10 |
| Does this proposal require extra revenue and/or capital spending? | N/A |
| If so, how much? | N/A |
| What is the source of Funding? | N/A |
| Has this Funding Source been agreed with the Chamberlain's Department? | N/A |
| Report of: Director of Community and Children's Services | For Information |
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Summary

1. This report updates Members on recent events and activities delivered across the three strategies overseen by the Education Board: Education, Cultural and Creative Learning, and Skills. A calendar of meetings, forums, and events for the 2022/23 academic year is included in Appendix 1.

Recommendation(s)

Members are asked to:

- Note the update on Autumn events and activities across the three strategy areas.
- Note the calendar of forums and events over the 2022/23 academic year in **Appendix 1**.

Main Report

Background

2. The Education Board has oversight of three strategies: Education, Cultural and Creative Learning, and Skills (2019-23).

Current Position

3. London Careers Festival

The London Careers Festival 2022 built on the success of previous years by offering a blended approach to careers education, with a virtual fair the week beginning 20 June and an in-person festival at the Guildhall the week beginning 27 June. The programme of events was carefully curated to offer pupils and teachers the chance to explore a wide range of careers and skills development opportunities, to take part in practical career-focused activities, and to hear

directly from experts and businesses. Find more information on:
www.londoncareersfestival.org.uk

4. Environmental Picnic Day

Tying into the Queen's Green Canopy initiative, the Environmental Picnic Day took place at Epping Forest on 16 September 2022 where 30 students from The Aldgate School attended. The Natural Environment Learning team managed the project, with school engagement support from the Education Strategy Unit. Pupils engaged in morning workshops focused on habitats and the stone age, followed by a picnic lunch. The day finished with the school group being presented with a sapling which they took back to their school to plant and care for in the years ahead.

ImpactEd project

Over the next three years, the Education Strategy Unit will be working with the non-profit organisation ImpactEd, to help to evaluate the impact of City Premium Grant funded projects. The purpose of using the ImpactEd platform is to have one place where schools can submit their grant applications, and also monitor and evaluate the impact of their projects. Schools will be able to measure their projects over a range of skills including the fusion skills which has been built into the platform. Training sessions, resources and immense support has been given to the schools by the Education Strategy Unit and ImpactEd team to help aide this process.

Upcoming

5. Education London 2030: Social Mobility - The New Challenge Conference

On Monday 3rd October at Guildhall from 9-4pm, the annual City Schools Conference will take place. The agenda will include keynote speakers, roundtable discussions and networking opportunities. The theme of this conference was born from the One City Two Worlds report, which argues that although London has strong academic attainment and a dynamic job market, young people are still suffering from some of the worst employment rates compared to their peers across England. The conference will explore the barriers to social mobility, how best to break these down and models of successful practice. Attendees to the conference will include staff from the family of schools, London Borough's educational contacts, cultural partners, businesses and education charities.

6. Wren 300 Project

To celebrate the 300th death anniversary of Sir Christopher Wren, a new year-long project is being launched in collaboration with City of London Corporation, Diocese, City of London School and St Paul's Cathedral. This project will involve music, visual art and creative writing, bringing together pupils from across the City of London family of schools (and extended) to sing a new composition inspired by the wonder of Wren's architecture and his achievements. Pupils will also visit various inspirational and representative churches, logging their reactions in word, art papercutting's and attending singing workshops. Phase 1 of the project already took place on Wednesday 28 September where teachers were invited to St Stephen Walbrook church to officially launch the project and give them a flavour of what the students would experience during the project.

Options

7. N/A

Key Data

8. N/A

Corporate & Strategic Implications

9. N/A. This report is for information only.

Conclusion

10. Members of the Education Board have been updated on recent events and activities across their three strategy areas as well as upcoming events and activities over the 2022/23 academic year

Appendix 1 – Calendar of Forums and Events over the 2022/23 Academic Year**Catherine McGovern**

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