

# **Brinsworth Academy Newsletter**

#### Head's Lines

Welcome to the latest version of our newsletter.

As always, the newsletter is full of great work that our students have been doing—we continue to be impressed with the wide range of activities that students are taking part in.

We are now well into the planning process for a full opening of school from September and we hope to be able to update parents early next week with what this will mean for students.

When you receive the information via e-mail next week, we are hoping to send a variety of documents to you. This will include a student/ parent guide and also a Frequently Asked Questions document. We hope that these will help to answer any questions you may have, but obviously feel free to contact us if you have other questions.

The information next week will also outline how we plan to provide some transition for students in the first week back. We hope that this will enable students to have their questions answered and feel comfortable about their return to school.

We are working hard to ensure that September sees a return to a broad and balanced curriculum for students in school and that teachers can focus on ensuring students make rapid progress in their learning.

Inevitably school won't be 'normal', but we hope that our plans enable students to Achieve Excellence whilst also maintaining the safety of everyone in the school community.

Check your e-mails next week for the information and in the meantime, stay safe.

From Mr Raynor

Achieving Excellence



In a recent edition of the newsletter we informed students about the Anne Frank Creative Writing competition. We are delighted that Eden Gillott-Moody has been shortlisted and made it through to the final stage of judging. We received this information from the competition—
"I am delighted to inform you that your student, Eden, has been shortlisted and made it through to the final stage of judging for their entry; "Escape". Massive congratulations to Eden for reaching this far. To be shortlisted from over 1000 entries down to the final few is a real achievement and they should feel immensely proud of themselves.

Our judges are reviewing the shortlist this week and will be letting us know on Friday (or before), we will officially announce the winners on Wednesday 15th July."

We are keeping our fingers crossed! Well done Eden!



Even though our virtual transition day was last week, we are still seeing brilliant work come through from our new Y7 pupils.

Canklow Meadows Primary recently posted lots of pictures on their social media platforms of students doing some of the activities from the transition day, including science and soap sculpture, which was great to see.

We know that there is information and activities that you might want to return to over the summer break and so our microsite will remain live for Y6 students and parents to return to if they wish.

#ExcelllenceAchieved

#MakingTheLeap



## **Hegarty Heroes**

Students in KS3 have had another great week completing their Hegarty Maths tasks last week.

In Y7 Reece A completed over 3 hours of learning whilst Tristan H and Shane C answered over 100 questions.

In Y8 Oliver U, Grace S, Libby R, Zuhaib S, Isla J, Max W and Millie R completed over 2 hours of learning, whilst Mark O, Isla J, Cory S and Oliver U answered over 100 questions.

Collectively students have answered 6317 questions, while doing 116 hours of learning. A massive well done!

In Y9 students have continued working through their maths mock papers.

Miss Robinson and Mr Jones have been extremely impressed with the efforts from Awais I and Abigail F. Keep up the good work!

#HegartyHeroes



#### **Accelerated Reader Excellence**

Our students have been completing lots of Accelerated Reader quizzes this week—keeping reading and developing their skills.

Some top performers this week were—

Kelsey Maia 80%

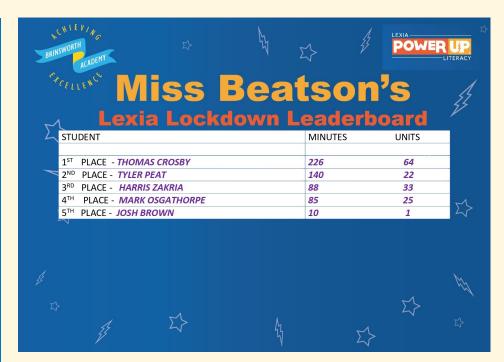
Billy Hopwood 90%

Jess Powell 2x90% and 100%

Erin Womersely, Emily Athey, Isobel Keyes and Connor Hewitt all completed their quizzes and Khadija Ahmed managed to complete 5 quizzes!

Top reading guys!

Brinsworth Academy—Achieving Excellence



#### **Lexia Legends!**

Another exciting week at the top of the Lexia leaderboard. This week it is Thomas Crosby who has hit the top spot, but he was pushed all the way by Tyler Peat. Well done to everyone involved—who will be top of the leaderboard next week?



#### **Religious Studies**

Religious Studies students have completed some fabulous work this week.

In Year 10 Alicia Pike, Laraib Malik and Niobi Hunter always produce detailed and thoughtful work week after week.

In Year 9 Victoria Cooling has produced some amazing examination responses and Umiamah Asghar has completed a gigantic revision book.



So many of our Year 11 students are already producing amazing bridging work for their new Year 12 courses. All this work will put them in a great position moving forward. The 6th form team have been really impressed and lots of you have already been Caught Being Amazing!



In ICT our students have been taking part in the Inspiring Digital Enterprise Award as part of their home learning. This is an international programme that helps students develop digital, enterprise and employability skills and can be found at https://idea.org.uk/

Students are working on challenges with the aim of reaching 250 points to claim their Bronze awards. Lots of students have stepped up to take on the challenge!

Congratulations to those students who have hit the 250 point mark this week—Matilda Ball, Abdul Rehman, Poppy Frackleton-Grant, Riley Myers, Callum Sylvester and Khadija Ahmed. Excellent work everyone.

#Welovecomputers

#Alwayslearning

#Silvernext





#### **Geography Geniuses**

Dear Wonderful Year 8/Amazing Geographers



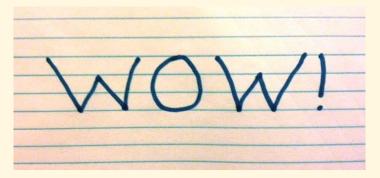


It is so nice to see so many names sent through to us from Mr Goddard who has set the work this week in Geography. He has commented on your work being detailed, thorough, full of geographical words and a real pleasure to read.

It is amazing to see the dedication that you are showing to your studies in Geography as you make that step to studying it as part of your GCSE curriculum. It is clear that you are laying solid foundations to Achieve Excellence in Geography and this is fantastic news.

Please accept the STAR postcard above to acknowledge how proud as a school (both year group and geography department) we are of you!
Well done once again and keep up the high standards.

Mr Goward, Mr Jenkins, Mrs Walsh and the Geography department.



#### **Amazing Writing**

Our Year 7 students have been completing a range of different styles of writing including narratives and travel blogs. Take a look at some exceptional efforts here: **Armana Shakil**—Liza breathed in the cold breeze. She and her friend Em swayed to the movement of the wind rushing past them. They both walked around the plot of grass and inhaled the smell of lawn clippings.

"One day when I am older, I will move away from America, to somewhere exotic like Jamaica. I want to move away from artificial flowers and start fresh somewhere else." Liza dreamed. Liza stopped walking and held her head high, her eagle like nose stuck up to the skies. "I want a nice small cottage with nature in every step I walk."

Khadija Ahmed—There are many memorable moments in life. However, a few of them get etched in our memories. One of my most memorable memories with my sisters was our wonderful holiday in Malaysia. There are so many beautiful places to visit where we can forget all the stresses and cares of our lives! We got an opportunity to travel to one such place of extreme natural beauty, where there was a peaceful quiet and a quaint charm that hasn't been affected by too much commercialism. During our visit to Malaysia, we visited its most beautiful tourist sites. The country has compelling authenticity, interesting cultures, delicious food, friendly people, beautiful architecture, lush, green jungles and islands.

**Hanayah Ramzan**—"Ok, ok let's do a..... pinkie swear" A small girl said wearing a baby pink dress with maple brown boots, her dark hair tied in a ponytail.

"A pinkie swears that's lame," a boy in a red shirt and black trainers huffed moving his brown hair out of his eyes. "Be quiet Aaron...... I think it's a great idea, Saph." A girl wearing shorts and a pale-yellow top yelled flicking her peculiar white hair out of her mouth and tucking it under her ear. Aaron sighed dramatically earning himself a playful punch from his sister.

"Ow," he winced. "Autumn that hurt." He clutched his arm and fell to the ground. Sapphire giggled. "Aaron go join drama club or something," Autumn sarcastically said. "You guys the promise," Sapphire grabbed her best friend. "Get yourself up Aaron you big baby." She grabbed his hand and hoisted him up. "Ok repeat after me..." Autumn and her brother shared confused looks. "On a best friend's promise we'll meet once again," Sapphire cheered. Aaron snickered earning himself a kick from his white- haired sister.

"Say promise you two" The siblings obeyed, saying it in unison.

**Jessica Powell**—Dreaming. It's all he ever does. No-one can wake Andre up from a daydream – he gets sucked into them like a meteor into a black hole. Twiddling his thumbs, he sat, and just dreamed.

The sweet smell of casserole wafted upstairs to his and his roommate's room. Andre got up with a sigh,

"Tea always gets in the way of dreaming," he grumbled, slipping into his place at the table with all the other orphans. Matron was worried about Andre. He had no friends at school, he never talked to the other orphans, and he always kept himself to himself. This isn't what a boy his age should be doing! He should be out messing about with other kids his age; not barricading himself in his room. He needs a family.

"I have to help him," she whispered. He left the table, taking his tea upstairs with him.

He gobbled it down, wanting to sleep, and that's what he did. Drifting off into a welcoming, black abyss.

### Thank you

A huge thank you as always to everyone who has contributed to our school community over recent weeks—we have been so impressed with how our students have coped with this time.

As mentioned before, please check your e-mails for the update about September early next week and don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Take care and stay safe.