



Brinsworth Academy Newsletter

Head's Lines

Welcome to our latest version of our newsletter.

In this edition we share the brilliant and wide ranging work that our students have been doing over the last week. We are incredibly proud of all the fantastic work we are being sent.

I also wanted to discuss the announcement from the government last week about the phased re-opening of schools. As I outlined in my most recent video update, the guidance outlines that government would like to see some 'face to face support' for Y10 and Y12 prior to the summer break.

We are currently awaiting further guidance from the government, which is starting to trickle through as to what that actually needs to look like.

Whilst we await further guidance, we are busily planning in the back-ground so that we can ensure we can safely provide what will work for our Y10/12 students, whilst also looking at how we can continue to develop home learning for other year groups.

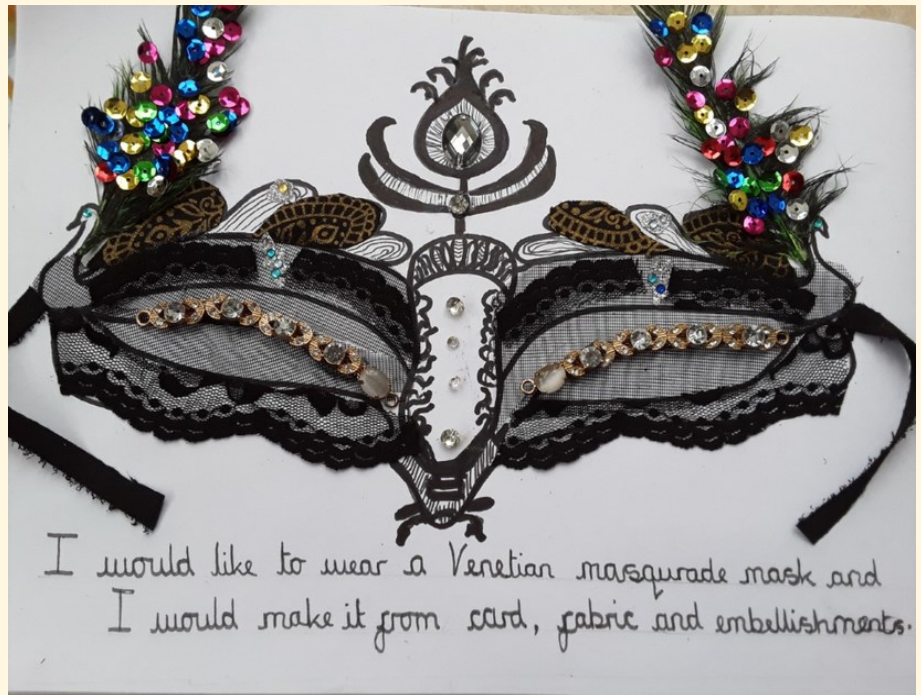
We are also pressing ahead with plans for 'virtual transition' for those of you that are in Y6 and due to join us in September—stay tuned to our social media channels for updates.

What I can reassure you of, is that whatever any future opening of schools does look like we will have taken every care we can think of to ensure the safety of both our students and staff team.

Take care of yourselves and your loved ones and have a great, but safe weekend.

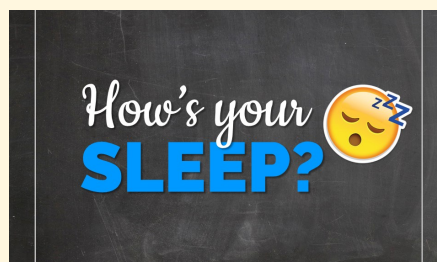
From Mr Raynor

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Here's a great mask design and build from Khadija Ahmed in Y7.

Khadija based this work on research into mask design around the world and she was influenced by the masks worn by the Venetians for their elaborate masquerade balls. Another example of great creativity from one of our students.



Sleep strategies

As we continue to progress into the current 'lockdown' situation, a number of us are struggling with our sleep patterns.

This really useful website <https://lifeontime.co.uk/how-much-sleep-do-teenagers-need-in-lockdown-2/> provides guidance around sleep for teenagers and looks at routines and patterns of sleep.

There is also a podcast available for those of you that are struggling with any elements of your sleep pattern.



Superb singing!

Watch our very own Chloe Mitchell (Y9) and Grace Bower (Y10) as they take part in The Voice Academy's video to spread hope and positivity and say thank you to our NHS Heroes. The group sang 'You Will Be Found' from the musical Dear Evan Hansen and it was a beautiful rendition. Head to our social media pages to follow the link and see for yourselves.

#StayAtHomeChallenge

#IMInside

#StaySafe

Hegarty Heroes

Students continue to impress with some great use of Hegarty Maths last week.

In Y7 Zach K, Khadija A, Lucy R and Olivia B had over 3 hours of learning time last week. Whilst Chloe L, Shane C, Nathan S and Zach K all answered over 150 questions.

In Y8 William H, Kieran F, Deniz G and Tyler S all spent over 2 hours working away, whilst William H, Keagan KG, Mark O and Korey S have all answered over 150 questions on the platform.

In Y9 Victoria C, Eve OB, Arouser K, Chloe M and Abigail F all had over 6 hours on Hegarty. Whilst Cora F, Ruby F, Oscar D, Salman K, Chloe M, Hannah P, Jessica S, Phoebe R, Ruby Grace R have all answered over 100 questions.

In Y10 Rowan W, Flynn K, Joseph B and Brooke C all spent more than 5 hours on the platform and Rowan W, Flynn K, Brooke C, Anam S and Rebekah T have all answered over 150 questions.

Collectively students have watched over 90 hours of videos. They have answered 20551 questions, while doing 532 hours of learning.

"I have been so impressed, keep it going!" said Miss Robinson.



Our Y7 students have been continuing to access the Accelerated Reader programme during lockdown.

Successful quizzes this week—

100% - Mason S, Josh B.

80% - Josh B All impressive scores—well done to everyone!



A huge well done goes to—Rebekah Tuner, Alicia Pike, Victoria Kelsall and Charlotte Tingle. They have all been amazing, completing large amounts of work and producing excellent coursework for their Child Development course—Well Done!

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ROMEO DOESN'T WANT TO FIGHT TYBALT

Mercutio says he will fight Tybalt in place of Romeo.

Joshua Baxter in Y7 and his family re-enacted a scene from Romeo & Juliet. See our social media pages for the full version. Even a starring role for dad!

Helping Others

Evie Burgess in Y9 volunteers every Sunday at the Brinsworth Seniors Support Group. She date checks all the food brought in to ensure it is safe to send out to the vulnerable in our community. Well done Evie!



Sadia Rashid in Y12 has been helping other students and has been a real support for her friends. She has been helping to explain tasks, sending links to provide further help and also offering her own opinions. Her friends are very appreciative of her help and support.



A huge well done to the following for their fantastic work in RS this week. Y9—Umiamah Ashgar, Hadiyah Bibi, Victoria Cooling, Orna Egan. Y10—Libby Scraton, Aysha Malik, Niobi Hunter, Harris Iqbal, Alicia Pike, Malikah Hussain and Zack Rahman.



Superb Geographers

Take a look at these Geographers who have really impressed us this week...

Tyler Staniland has been learning all about OS maps using the resources from the Oak National Academy. He has used Bing maps to find the school and nearby shops.

Meika Brown has always wanted to travel to Mexico and she was surprised to learn that Mexico City was sinking due to its location on an aquifer.

Josh Brown has used his mum's collection of OS maps to explore his local area.

All of 9B/Ge1 scored an average of 83% on their Ecosystems quiz. Their continued work towards their GCSE during this period has been brilliant.





VE Day Commemorations

Last weekend we remembered VE Day and all the sacrifice that had occurred during WWII. Some of our students took a really active role in commemorating the event.

Above is Isaac Dent who spent VE Day remembering his great grandfather who was in the RAF. As you can see he made delicious food and decorated his home with an RAF theme. What an excellent way to remember his great grandfather—I am sure he would have been proud of you Isaac.

Similarly, Abigail Fawdry in Y9 paid tribute to all of those who fought for us by placing a wreath at the cenotaph in Clifton Park on behalf of her squadron. Her family, friends and the Brinsworth Academy community are so proud of her.



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Impressive Linguists

We continue to be so impressed by how many of you are engaging with your home learning. Our Languages team were particularly pleased with the work from the following students this week—Y7—Erin Rogers, Annie Mitchell, Zane Abbott, Alfie Smith, Kady France, Mason Simpkin, Jacob Armstrong-Fisher, George Tapping and Sheilan Khidr

Y8—Zain Ahmed, Natalie Mann, Ben Turton, Vanesa Platchekova, Jacob Froggatt, Ashton Broom and Kiera Scott.

Y9—Lauren Buttle, Bilal Khan, Katie Clayton and Isabelle Race.

Y10—Laraib Malik, Sam Platts and Edward Ensor.

Well done or should I say 'Tres Bon' to all involved!



Our PE team continue to be impressed by the quality of work that students are sending in, whether that be physical challenges, impressive sporting feats or completion of vital coursework.

A big shout out this week to Hasan Akhtar and Rowan Bentley. They have done some great work on improving their Sports Studies lesson plans and also evaluating their sessions. Well done boys!

#healthybodyhealthymind

Brinsworth Academy Cake & Natter Challenge



Warren Gilbank produced these beautiful scones to celebrate VE day and then enjoyed them in the sunshine in his garden. It is lovely to see so many of you commemorate VE day from the safety of your own homes. I am sure the scones were as delicious as they looked!



Ruby Mae Hickson created this beautiful cake for her niece's 4th birthday—I am sure she loved it Ruby!



Danny Atkinson in Y7 produced the Union flag inspired masterpiece! The fruit almost makes it healthy!



Wilson Hutkai in Y7 produced this brilliant offering. I love the way that it is decorated and giving thanks to our NHS heroes. I am sure it tasted fabulous as well!

Thank you

As always, a huge thank you goes out to every member of our school community. Whether it is students working hard to complete their home learning, parents juggling their own work whilst trying to help their children or staff who are working hard to ensure that home learning is as effective as it can be—everyone is playing a huge part.

The current situation is not an easy one, there are likely to be more challenges ahead, but if we stay together then I know we will come out of this as an even stronger school community.

Stay safe and look after your loved ones!

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