

Brinsworth Academy Newsletter

Head's Lines

Welcome to the latest version of our newsletter.

This week's newsletter is full of fantastic work from our students as always. It always amazes me the array of activities that our students excel in and this week is no different!

We are really looking forward to welcoming back a number of our Y10 and Y12 students from Monday, in line with government guidance. We have done lots of work behind the scenes to ensure that we are ready for Monday and I know that now staff are just really excited to be able to see you again. Please make sure you arrive at the right time for your group, so we are able to stagger your entrances.

I also sent a letter to you this week providing some resources to discuss the 'Black Lives Matter' protests that have been taking place globally. I hope that you have been able to engage with that subject and really learned about the issues, so that we can make a positive difference to the world. I discuss that a bit more in my video update this week.

At Brinsworth we are extremely proud of the diverse nature of our community and we strive to value every individual regardless of their ethnicity, religion, gender or sexuality. As such we will be celebrating our 'Free to Be Equality Week' from 22nd June. More information will come out about this event via social media, so keep checking our channels and I know that students will embrace the opportunities presented in that week and demonstrate what a fantastic cohesive community we are as a school.

Take care and stay safe.

From Mr Raynor



In Y10 Media we have been exploring Meticulous Photography and students have researched Emily Blincoe's work, which is often used in magazines. Here is Mia Cowley's fantastic interpretation of her style, which shows real understanding of the concept. Well done Mia.

BRINSWORTH ACADEMY SIXTH FORM

Year 11 into 12

Well done to all our current Y11 students who have already started their courses for Y12. These students have been amazing in their approach and commitment to their Y12 studies already!

Applied Psychology—Daniel Clayton and Raheem Igbal.

Applied Science— Raheem Iqbal and Leah Wilde

CACHE—Olivia Bingham and Rebecca Wright

English Language—Holly Barlow and Olivia Betts

English Literature—Neesha Ayub and Sophie Squire

History—Samia Green & Aysha Khan ICT—Max Blenkiron and Alex Firth Maths—Sam Kennewell Music—Jack Bulmer

Physics—Calum Attidore

RS—Kelsey Wright

Science—Luke Hatfield and Max Horton Sociology—Olivia Betts and Scarlett Bryan Sports Studies—Cameron Hewitt

Textiles—McKenzie Gelsthorpe

<u>Linacre Institute</u>

Some of our current Y12 students have been selected to take part in the Linacre Institute's Higher Reach Program where they will have the opportunity to take part in residentials to some of the UK's most prestigious universities and will also benefit from individual support when writing their university applications. An Amazing opportunity! Well done to Sunder Singh-Bal, Farah Khan, Charley Docherty, Teagan Pepper and Arlie Reeve.

#caughtbeingamazing



Hegarty Heroes

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

In Y7 Ubayy K and Shane C had over 3 hours of learning time last week. Whilst Shance C, Ubayy K, Chloe L, Isabelle P, Poppy FG, Ellie B and Humairaa S all answered over 100 questions.

In Y8 Grace S and Jack S all spent over 2 hours working away, whilst IJack S also answered over 100 questions on the plat-

In Y9 Victoria C, Isabelle R, Abigal F and Natasha N all had over 5 hours on Hegarty. Whilst Cora F, Ruby F, Isabelle R and Lauren Mhave all answered over 150 questions.

In Y10 Rowan W, Laiba F, Flynn K, Lauren H and Hudhayfah K all spent more than 3 hours on the platform and Rowan W, Kenel R, Flynn K, Safa A, Mia C, Josh W and Daniel S have all answered over 150 questions.

Collectively students have watched over 76 hours of videos. They have answered 17287 questions, while doing 397 hours of learning.

Miss Robinson said "Numbers are much higher than last week and that makes me a happy Maths teacher."



Accelerated Reader

Our Y7 students continue to impress with their reading skills despite the current situation.

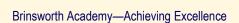
Recent impressive quiz scores include— 100% Connor Hewitt, Mason Simpkin and Isobel Keys (x2!)

90% Jessica Powell, Poppy Frackleton-Grant, Felicity Fitzgerald and Connor Hewitt (x2!)

80% Jessica Powell and Findlay Hobson

All impressive scores—well done!

Keep reading—The more you read the more you'll know!





Mask Making—Creativity at its best!

Joshua Dawson is really exploring his artwork by creating a 3D sculpture of his mask design. He also has his soap sculpture at the side of it, which shows the creative materials that have been used in this piece of work.

Sam Walsh opted to make his sculpture on a large scale and what we assume is a local golf course! Please note that no bunkers were harmed during the making of that image! Both boys deserve praise for their creative approaches.



Lexia Challenge

Calling all Lexia students! Are you ready to take on Mrs Beatson's Lexia challenge? There will be prizes for the most time spent on Lexia and the most completed units.

Lexia engages, challenges and motivates students to take ownership of their Literacy Learning so Power Up and get on Lexia.

On the buses!

September 2020 transport and travel information. We sent out a link on social media this week about new bus passes for students for September 2020. Please see our social media channels for details from the bus company. All applications and necessary paperwork need to be in by 15th July.



INTERNATIONAL UNION OF PURE AND APPLIED CHEMISTRY

IUPAC—the international body on how chemicals are named, used and measured has released a Periodic Table challenge. It is aimed at students all over the world and can be found at https://iupac.org/periodictable-challenge/

You are invited to choose an element and select a difficulty level. There are then 10 multiple choice questions regarding the elements. Questions include facts about why they have the names or symbols they have, what interesting properties they have and what elements can be used for. If you score over 60% you can get yourself a certificate.

This is a bit of fun, but also challenging—even Mr McKenzie learned a few new facts.

Please let us know how you got on, so we can give a shout out to the best chemists out there!

#TeamBrinsworth #Sciencechallenge #Elementaleducation





Geography Genius!

Congratulations to Erin Womersley in Y7 for winning the Geography food miles breakfast challenge. The whole Geography department was impressed with your calculations and conclusion that Mrs Marsden's breakfast had the highest number of food miles. A prize is on its way to you. Well done.

Lockdown Reading

Wow, Warren, this looks strangely comfortable and yet is still a strange place to read! We love it! #lockdownreading #extremereading



idea

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/

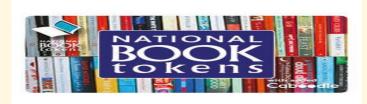
Students are working on challenges with the aim of reaching 250 points to claim their Bronze awards. So far, since lock-down our students have achieved 1992 badges—well done, keep up the good work.

This week we have had a number of students that have reached their Bronze certificates—Well done to Isaac Dent, Oscar Dent, William Hale, Manahil Hussain, Ihsan Ozdemir, Jessica Powell and Leland Walker. Congratulations!

Poetry Perfection

Take a look at this extract from a poem that Usmaan has written from the perspective of someone with Coronavirus. He's started the poem with someone showing the most obvious symptoms of the disease then it progresses through their journey of getting better. It is a spectacular piece of work and here is an extract of one of my favourite bits—

The mask lifted. My eyes found the courage to look, and saw my chest engaging in a motion, which I realised I was doing. I laid there, thankful and feeling blessed. I was reminded that even in the darkest times, even the faintest lights can blind us.



Help us to help you.

Can you help us to win £5000 of book tokens for our school library and also £100 of book tokens to spend on yourself?

A good, well-stocked library is so important—and not just for learning. Studies show that reading for pleasure doesn't just give children an advantage academically; it can improve students' wellbeing too.

Please follow the link and nominate Brinsworth Academy.

https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools

Thank You

I wanted to finish this week with a celebration of how our students inspire us constantly. One of our students, Chloe Langford, wrote this fantastic speech about kindness—

Kindness is what this world is all about. As many people say and believe if you are kind to one another that will reflect on you and your life. It is all about helping someone just a little bit. That little bit may change that person's life in one way or another. It is what brings people together as family or even friends and without kindness this world would be nothing: just a gloomy world with hate. Kind is how every person should act to every person you see even if it isn't someone you know. Kindness is everything.

Seeing our students present powerful ideas so beautifully gives me enormous hope for the future. As we move to the stage where we begin to welcome more students back into the academy and start to re-build our school community, we look forward to working with all our community towards them Achieving Excellence, but also making their community, their country and their world a better place to grow up in.

Thank you to all of you who have contributed to our school community during this period, it is truly appreciated.

#TeamBrinsworth
#Achieving Excellence

