

8th May 2020

Dear Parent/Carers,

Celebrating work:

This week I have been busy emailing students to congratulate them on their work efforts. I asked teachers to let me know the names of students who have been engaged with the work they have been set; who have been enthusiastically completing work tasks; and who have been returning work to teachers. I have thoroughly enjoyed this part of my role and I very much want it to continue – so please keep up the good work!

(Please see Sascha Cameron's art work in this Bulletin and hope to share more in future)

Lockdown Update:

As you are aware, we await news from the Government this coming weekend about plans to start getting students back into schools. While we don't yet know the detail, we have been talking about what this might mean for The Wren School and thinking about some of the actions we will need to take. The Government and the Excalibur Academy Trust have indicated that they will give schools ample time to undertake this planning and that schools will not re-open until it is safe to do so. **Please watch this space and be assured that I will let you know of any plans once the detail is known.**

In the meantime, please keep doing what you are doing. Like the teachers at school, keep focusing on your wellbeing and on student learning. The signs are that we are moving away from the worst of this and that there is bright light on the horizon. As I write this, in fact, the sun is shining and it looks as though the next few days will be lovely.

Continued contact with students and families

Staff at The Wren School have made every effort over the past weeks to reach out to all our students and parents/carers. We hope this contact has been useful and has helped both families and students feel part of our Wren School community. Thank you so much for the positive responses that we have had from families following communication, we really appreciate this feedback. Every endeavour will be made to continue to communicate with all families and students, by phone and email. Last week we launched our first '**Online Student Bulletin**' on Class Charts, which gives valuable information and wellbeing tips to students and helps open the communication lines with their form leader. Form leaders are looking forward to hear from their tutees each week following the online student bulletin.

Year 11 into Sixth Form Update

Preparations for the opening of our Sixth Form are coming together at a fast pace! We have had a great response from students confirming their place for September. Please email ahollands@wren.excalibur.org.uk to confirm your place if you haven't already done so.

Year 11 students will receive an email on Wednesday from the teachers of their chosen subjects. This will include information about which course they will be studying, as well as, some activities to prepare them for September.

Literacy Support:

We are excited to announce that we have created more accessible work for students to complete! We understand that some of the work set can be challenging, with this in mind, some selected students will be set easier work on Class Charts, with a focus on literacy this week. If you think your son / daughter would also appreciate this work, please email selford@wren.excalibur.org.uk or their English teacher for a copy.

Write to Unite Competition:

We are launching our first BIG competition of this lockdown period with GREAT prizes at stake; have a look at the attached poster for more information! Stay **safe** but stay **creative** - Mr Elford

Routine school aged immunisations:

Due to COVID-19 and the closure of schools (except for children of key workers), the school aged immunisation programme will be rescheduled. Please see letter attached from NHS Berkshire Healthcare.

Wellbeing – See how many of **May's wellbeing ideas** you can embrace



ACTION CALENDAR: MEANINGFUL MAY 2020

"Start Where You Are. Use What You Have. Do What You Can" ~ Arthur Ashe

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
4 Focus on what you can do rather than what you can't do	5 Send friends a photo of a time you all enjoyed together	6 Take a step towards one of your life goals, however small	7 Let someone you love know how much they mean to you	1 Take a minute to remember what really matters to you and why	2 Do something meaningful for someone you really care about	3 Reconnect with nature today, even if you're stuck indoors
11 What are your most important values? Use them today	12 Be grateful for the little things, even in difficult times	13 Today do something to care for the natural world	14 Show your gratitude to people who are helping to make things better	8 Set yourself a kindness mission. Give your time to help others	9 Look out for positive news and reasons to be cheerful today	10 Tell someone about why your favourite music means a lot to you
18 Hand-write a note to someone you love and send them a photo of it	19 Find a way to craft what you are doing to give it more meaning	20 Reflect on what makes you feel really valued and appreciated	21 Share photos of 3 things you find meaningful or memorable	15 Find out about the values and traditions of another culture	16 Look around you and notice five things you find meaningful	17 Take a positive action to help in your local community
25 Give your time to help a project or charity you care about	26 Recall three things you've done that you are really proud of	27 Today link your decisions and choices to your purpose in life	28 Tell someone about an event in your life that was really meaningful	22 Ask a loved one or colleague what matters most to them and why	23 Share an inspiring quote with others to give them a boost	24 Do something special today and revisit it in your memory tonight
				29 Think about how your actions make a difference for others	30 Find three good reasons to be hopeful about the future	31 Look up at the sky. Remember we are all part of something bigger

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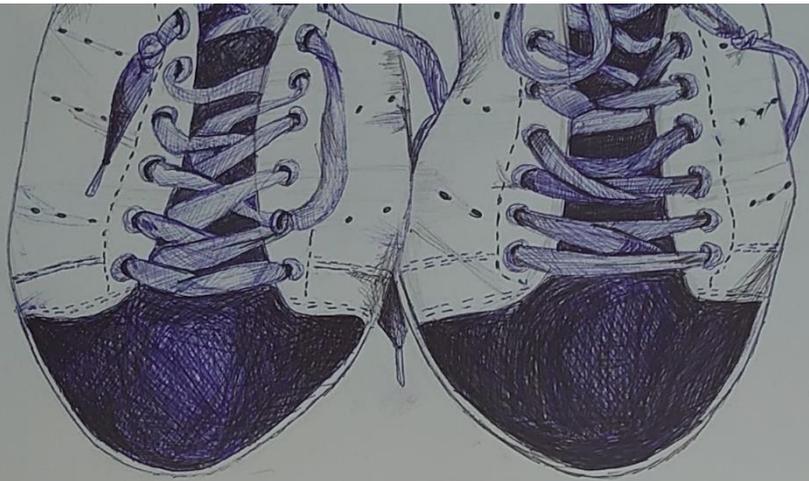
31 actions to look after ourselves and each other as we face this global crisis together

Keep Calm · Stay Wise · Be Kind

Kind regards,



Mr S Duffy, Interim Principal



The colours and the many uses in this piece is blue, She creates this piece in a biro pen, her main mark making skill she uses is cross hatching. She uses that to make her drawings realistic. The subject matter is just a pair of authentic adidas shoes. My first impressions of the shoes are that they are worn out because they have lots of creases, that is shown with cross hatching, and quick strokes with a pencil/black pen. In my opinion I really like this piece because it isn't too complicated but it looks good. I prefer doodle art because of that reason and it is also very fun to make.

Home School Work

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