

NEWSLETTER

April 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you are well and that you remain safe. Thank You for your support during this difficult time. We have been overwhelmed with the support you have shown us while school has been closed.

We would like to take this opportunity to also say Thank you to those of you who continue to provide childcare and those who help us to keep schools open for the children of key workers, including our own staff- teachers, support staff and site management staff, many of who are juggling home working with their own families, for their hard work and determination in providing the very best resources for our students during this period.

In our termly Spring Newsletter, we asked you to Email us with examples of how our students are working from home so we could share with our community the fantastic efforts our students and families have made. We have created this special edition "Work From Home Newsletter", to celebrate our student's work.

We hope you enjoy seeing the efforts as much as we have done. We are very proud of our students and families and want to continue to share these good news stories with you all. Please continue to send in photos/excerpts of our students, to enable us to produce another newsletter similar to this, in celebration of our student's work and dedication whilst working from home.

Please note that any photos/ news stories will be shared in our newsletter and on our website.

Please Email our Marketing Officer, Miss Sian Williams, at: sian.williams@reddish.stockport.sch.uk

Thank you for your continuous support during this time.

Stay Safe

Applications for free school travel passes 2020/2021

The application process for free school travel passes for September 2020 will open on 6 May 2020. Although this is an early announcement, it is important to have this date in mind as we had issues this year with securing enough places on our yellow bus from Brinnington. Below is some guidance on how you get an igo pass and how you can apply for a yellow bus pass.

Note from Stockport.gov.uk: you will not receive a response if you email to apply for a pass for September 2020.

Only a small number of children are eligible for a free school travel pass, so you'll need to apply early to avoid disappointment. The link to the online application form will be available on the 6 May 2020. Before applying you must find out if your child is eligible for a free school travel pass. Visit https://www.stockport.gov.uk/travel-to-school/eligibility-for-a-free-school-travel-pass to find more information.

Yellow bus passes and igo passes

To apply for a Yellow School Bus pass you need to already have an igo pass. Children aged 11 to 16 can obtain an igo pass to prove that they are under 16 and should pay the concessionary fare on buses in Greater Manchester. Link to this here: https://tfgm.com/tickets-and-passes/igo-pass

To apply for a yellow bus pass (if you want to travel on the yellow bus you must have the igo above and this) go to this link:

https://tfgm.com/tickets-and-passes/bus-yellow-school-buses

More information is available on: https://www.stockport.gov.uk/travel-to-school



Lilly Fisher, Year 8, created this wonderful poster about Leonardo Da Vinci, and added her own painting of one of his famous pieces of art to it.

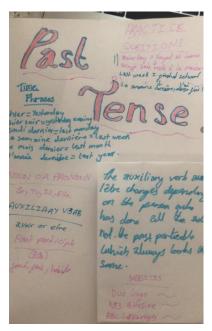
Frankie Burgess in Year 8 recreated this abstract painting.





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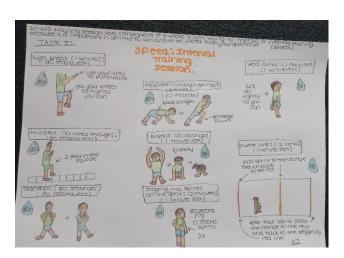
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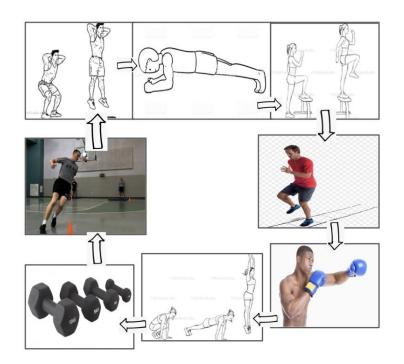


Aimee Humphreys in Miss Lee's Year 9 GCSE History class created an outstanding research project on Jack the Ripper, in preparation for their new Crime and Punishment topic.

Language students have been learning how to use the perfect tense.



PE students have been designing their own circuit sessions and speed interval training sessions whilst working at home, and have created some excellent work in the process.



1) What component of fitness are you trying to improve in this training programme and why?

Power, because in a lot of sports you need to e.g. football, you need strength to get the ball back from the opposition.

2) Label 8 exercises.

Jump squats, plank, step ups, ladders, punching, burpees, weights and shuttle runs.

3) How long will you be working on each station? 1min 30sec.

4) How much rest will you have between each station? 30 sec.

5) How could circuit training be adapted to suit different sport? Give an example? It could be adapted by adding different stations that match to the sport. E.g. basketball, you could add a station where you would take 5 free throws.



Alby Doran, Year 7 has been completing all of his work at home and working really hard.



Sara Insec, Year 7, made this Spanish tortilla during Easter as an independent project, and what is wonderful, is that this shows a cultural side to language learning.



Connor James McNelis-Sutcliffe has been doing some baking at home with his family.



George Collins has been doing PE at home by participating in Joe Wicks' livestreams every day.



Many of our students have been going on daily walks with their families as a way to partake in daily exercise and explore nature as a way to unwind, within the Government guidelines.





Many of our students, including Katie
Jamieson and Niamh
Topping, have set up their own work stations at home and are working really hard to complete all of their set work.



Grace Crewdson has been working on her backwards walkover.





Alfie Davy has really taken home learning in his stride. He has been getting all of his work done each day and spending quality time with his younger brother, too.



Lewis Speckleton, Year 7, has been baking for his whole family, including his grandparents, and family members who are also key workers. His bakes include cookies, apple crumble and brownies!







Freya and Reece Booth have decorated their house in support of the NHS and key workers, and also helped to give Easter eggs to children over the Easter break. It is wonderful to see our students' acts of kindness.





During Easter, a number of our students, particularly key workers' children, remained in school with Mr Andrews and members of our Management Team. As well as completing fun activities, including a daily workout with Joe Wicks, staff and students gave a helping hand on the farm, including our Headteacher, Mrs Hanson, who was given the task of combing Pepper the Pony. Both, the students and staff enjoyed having the opportunity to care for the animals during the Easter break.

Year 11 students have written touching support letters to NHS and key workers to help lift spirits during this time of uncertainty and need. We are very touched by their kind words.

Dear NHS workers,

At Reddish Vale High School we are proud of you risking your lives and health to help the people in need. We know it is not the best time for you right now but we support everything you are doing to help those that matter to us, even if it could cause you to get the virus. We all know how hard you are trying and we are going to support you through this very hard time in the hospitals. We want you to stay as safe as you can, as you have helped so many people over the past few months so we are all wishing the best for you.

Yours sincerely,

Katelyn (Y11 – Reddish Vale High School)

Thank you NHS. The NHS is very busy. Hospital workers have to stretch themselves to protect the whole country from a global pandemic, it's not easy but it's not done because it's easy it's done as a necessary part modern society that has recently became our last leg and everyone is incredibly grateful, people are in danger and the NHS workers are there to help them when no-one else can. I think it's in everyone's interest to root for every worker at the NHS.

The staff are to thank, they are the reason why thousands of COVID-19 survivors are survivors.

By Dan (Y11 – Reddish Vale High School)

Dear NHS,

Thank you for all the work you have done for thousands of people. You have saved thousands of lives and those people are very grateful. We are especially thankful of the risk and time you are taking to find a cure for coronavirus. You are putting your lives at risks all the time to have the ability to save others, which is incredible and so thoughtful. Without your service, not half of the people would have survived. You are absolutely amazing for the service and help you give to anyone that needs it. There isn't one bad thing anybody could say about you because you are always there taking risks, helping people, saving lives no matter what time or day.

Thank you so much for everything you have done for everyone.

Maisy (Y11 – Reddish Vale High School)

