

Year 9 – GCSE Art project

Students have embarked upon their first GCSE project work this week. Their task was to create a visually beautiful journal based around one of four themes; travel, home, music or dreams. Some of the journals created are pictured below.



by Vicky Blunstone



by Ruby Ellis



by Thea Hough

Year 8 DT Project

The task set for Year 8 was to produce a bright & colourful, amusing and distinctive mechanical pop up card which could appeal to all ages. Some of these fabulous cards are pictured below.



by Roisin Carrington



by Tyler Smith

Headteacher's Introduction

Dear Parent / Carer

This week has seen the return of Year 10 students for some English and Maths sessions with their teachers. It has been so lovely to see students, hear about their experiences and plan together for how to maximise their success as Year 11. Over the next couple of weeks, we will also be introducing some DT, Science and French sessions in school.

In the coming weeks we will intensify our planning for what school will look like in September. At the time of writing this we haven't received any updated safety guidance from DfE and therefore it is difficult to give you any certainty about what our offer will be. The reduction of distancing to 1 metre still presents significant challenges in our small classrooms, as some would still be restricted to groups of 12. We are absolutely committed to providing a high quality, engaging and safe learning experience for all of our students in school in September. The detail of the guidance will determine whether this will be full time in the building for all or a more blended model. We will be working closely with the LA to determine the best way forward.

Although we know that for some families it is a challenge to stay on top of all of the work set each week, we continue to be impressed by our students' motivation and determination to make this new approach to education count. During a pre-Covid week I would send out 12 Nidderdale STAR postcards. This week there have been 50 e-STAR nominations. Staff are really enjoying sharing with other the great work being produced by students in these challenging circumstances.

Kath Jordan, Headteacher

E Safety Advice – Tik Tok



Young people love to share images and videos, including live streams. It is a fun and creative means of expressing themselves and a good way of connecting with friends.

TikTok is a current favourite for video sharing. Users should be over 13 but as many other platforms, there is no robust age verification in place.

To learn more about how to help your child use TikTok safely visit

<https://parentinfo.org/article/tiktok-what-parents-need-to-know>

The best way you can protect your child is to establish a positive relationship with them around their life online. Talk to them – not just once but have ongoing conversations as part of your family life.

For more information about video and image sharing, including live streaming [click here](#)

If you feel you are not sufficiently informed about an app or platform used by your child, visit www.thinkuknow.co.uk (operated by CEOP who are part of the National Crime Agency). The Parents and Carers section has useful articles, videos and activities.

A Parent's Guide to Black Lives Matter recommended by Early Help, NYCC

Peaceful protests, mass marches, and portrayals of violence. Petitions, political speeches, and demonstrations. The last two weeks have seen movements advocating for an end to racial inequality on a mass scale. Yet, current affairs aren't always tangible or immediately clear, especially from a child's perspective.

Many children may have questions about the images, stories, and conversations they hear on the news and around them.

We all have a responsibility to engage in positive and open discussions about race and racism with children. This guide aims to provide resources, advice, and tips to ensure that children are aware of racial inequality, racial hierarchies, and white privilege present in modern-day society.

It may be useful to provide the foundations of good places to start help inspire discussion and empower families to work towards racial equality.

[Click here](#) to see the guidance for all year groups.

Mrs Walker

A PARENT'S GUIDE TO BLACK LIVES MATTER



Resources, Activities, and Tips for Families to empower children to work towards racial equality

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REMINDERS

Staff Training Day 3rd July – no staff in school. No new work set for students.

Last official day of school for Y11: 26 June.

Last day of term: 17 July.

Staff training day - 7 September – school closed to students.

NOTICEBOARD Recruiting Now!

Clearchoice, our Cleaning Contractors are advertising for a Cleaning Supervisor and 3 x cleaners for our school site.

[Click here for more information.](#)

We can help control the virus if we all STAY ALERT

- Stay at home as much as possible
- Keep your distance if you go out (2 metres apart where possible)
- Work from home if you can
- Wash your hands regularly
- Limit contact with other people

And if you or anyone in your household has symptoms, you all need to self-isolate.

STAY ALERT > CONTROL THE VIRUS > SAVE LIVES

The Department for Education have issued the following 'staying safe outside' guidance:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/staying-safe-outside-your-home>