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@NIDDHSART

The Art department have gone social!

We would like to invite you to follow our Instagram page: Nidd HS Art. Our students are creating lots of exciting things that we'd like to share with you. Year 7 have started their Mythical Creatures project, looking at different animals for inspiration and learning how to build a drawing up from its basic shapes.

Year 8 are learning about abstract art, drawing to music in the style of Kandinsky.

Year 9 have begun their School of Mutant Fish project, learning how to drypoint print with burins and the block press.

Year 10 have started their first GCSE coursework project on Natural Forms, creating mixed media pieces inspired by the artist Duncan Cameron.

Headteacher's Introduction

Dear Parent / Carer

As we move towards the end of a very long half term, it is great to see such positive attitude to learning and resilience from our students. So far we have awarded an amazing 52 444 positive points on ClassCharts, with 91% of all points being positive. Well over 50% of our students have 97% or higher positive ClassCharts score.

Since our Year 11 information evening, students in their final year of school have shown focus and determination in a wide range of revision and extra study sessions as they work towards the various deadlines highlighted in this newsletter.

Meanwhile, Year 7 have taken every opportunity to challenge themselves from the House Hill challenges to new Flourish activities and a wide range of classroom challenges. This week I have had the privilege of seeing at first hand their amazing art and maths skills.

Kath Jordan, Headteacher

Booktrust

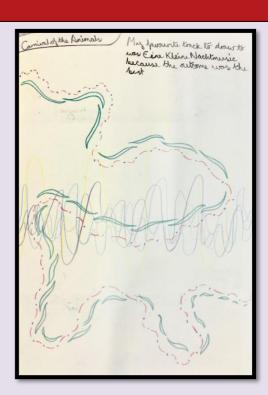
This term, we once again subscribed to the Bookbuzz scheme. Bookbuzz is a reading programme from Booktrust that aims to inspire a love of reading in children. During their first term at Nidderdale High, Year 7 students choose their own book to take home from a list of 17 titles. The books are carefully selected by a panel of experts to encourage reading for pleasure and were happily received by students this week.

Ms Lester









GCSE Art update

Year 11 GCSE Art students are currently working on their personal coursework projects, counting towards 60% of their grade. They are responding to the theme 'People', choosing a personal interpretation with topics such as body confidence, mental health, equality, war and religion. This month they should be using their own photographs to create a portfolio of artwork trialing different compositions, media and techniques. They can choose from painting, drawing, printing, or mixing these techniques.

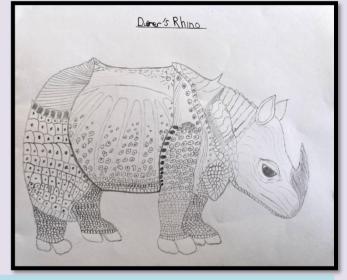
In November they will start planning their final artwork that they will create in their mock exam on 27th Nov. They will get a full day in the art rooms to create this. The coursework deadline is 20th December and will be marked by a visiting examiner from AQA. To keep up with the workload a minimum of 1 hour should be spent on their Art project each week outside of lessons. Art club runs after school on a Monday 3:15 - 4:30, with drinks, biscuits and positives for those who attend.

Miss Brohier

Click below to read

A parent's guide to keeping kids healthy this school year





Key Message from Environmental Health regarding Bonfires

We have been asked to share the following information with you:

- Remember Bonfire Night but make it legal and safe: <u>Remember remember</u> <u>bonfire night but make it legal and safe-</u> <u>GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</u>
- Burning waste on campfires and bonfire: <u>GOV.UK</u>
- Garden Bonfires: The rules: <u>Garden</u> <u>bonfires: the rules - GOV.UK</u> (www.gov.uk)
- A community guide to celebrating with bonfires and fireworks: <u>Celebrating with</u> <u>bonfires and fireworks - GOV.UK</u> (www.gov.uk)

GCSE Drama update

Year 11 GCSE Drama students are now working towards their Unit 3 Texts in Practice performance of a published play.

They will need to be learning lines from their chosen sections and starting to think about costume ideas for their performance.

Exact dates to be confirmed with AQA, but we are requesting dates at the beginning of March for our visit.

Performances will all be after school on the school stage and are marked by a visiting examiner from AQA.

Miss Draper



Uniform reminders

Please see the letter sent to all parents this week for reminder regarding uniform expectations. It has been great to see our students demonstrating that they are proud to be of **Team** part **Nidderdale** by wearing their uniform smartly at all times.

As the colder weather heads out way, students are reminded that hoodies are not permitted in school this includes breaks and lunchtimes.

Homework reminders

Good study habits are essential for future success. AII homework can be found on ClassCharts. **Please** log in regularly check on assignments set and deadlines.

GCSE Photography update:

Year 11 GCSE Photography students are currently working on their personal coursework projects, which count towards 60% of their grade.

They are interpreting the theme 'Surface', with some students looking at the surface of our world, pollution, food, reflections, beauty and aging.

This month they should be editing their photographs either digitally in Adobe Photoshop or physically with printed images. The website www.photopea.com is a great for creating edits at home and they can access their Photography folders through Onedrive from home too.

November they will start planning their final artwork that they will create in their mock exam on 28th for Miss Brohier's class and the 1st December for Mrs. Brown's class.

The mock exam will take place in the art rooms and will last the full day. The coursework deadline is 21st December and will be marked by a visiting examiner from AQA.

To keep up with the workload a minimum of 1 hour should be spent on their Photography project each week outside of lessons.

Photography club runs after school on a Monday 3:15 - 4:30, for school students to use the equipment. There drinks, are biscuits and positives for those who attend.

Miss Brohier

We are recruiting:

General Kitchen Assistant 15 hrs Term Time Only

Please see the recruitment page on our school website for more information.

Click here.