



## Newsletter

18<sup>th</sup> September 2020

### Student Successes from the First Week of Term

#### Sixth Form

**Year 12 English Literature** have made a very pleasing start to the course, demonstrating a focused and thoughtful approach to this new style of learning.

**Year 12 Theatre Studies** made an excellent start to their course by performing monologues in their first lesson. Students had learnt and rehearsed them over lockdown and performed them as part of their induction process. Well done to **Dan Finch**, **Charlie Harrison**, **Lucy Middleton**, **Deven Tibbets**, **Pamela Stacey** and **Charlotte McCammon**.

**Year 13 Theatre Studies** continue to impress Miss Lapsley and Miss Jones with their creativity, focus and resilience.

**Year 12 Music students** **Charlie Harrison 12GCH**, **Harvey Bastock 12HAH**, **Deven Tibbetts 12AT** & **Ben Wood 12AT** had an excellent first performance lesson working on *Cake in the Ocean* by DNCE and John Denver's *Take me home, country roads*.

#### Year 11

**11B1 History** have picked up really well after lockdown. They have worked very hard on the development of Germ Theory in the 19<sup>th</sup> century as part of their study of changes in Medicine from c1000 to today.

**11S2 maths** have impressed by their positive attitude. They came in a little unsure of what to expect, but very quickly got down to work and they are all making the most of their lesson time.

**11L5 Maths** have made a super start in Maths, working on the nth term.

**11S2** in Biology have got off to an impressive and highly motivated start.

Year 11 GCSE Music classes have started the year in a very promising manner with a positive approach in lessons. Well done to **Rachel Cheah**, **Marius De La Guerre**, **Tyler Hale**, **Lottie Plant**, **Mary Pointon** and **Jasmine Leverett-Hawes**.

**11L3 and 11R3 Science groups** have returned to school with a very mature attitude to their studies. Their discussions and questions surrounding our current topic of Health and Disease show a high level of awareness of current affairs and good scientific understanding.

**Danielle Walsh** and **Lauren Loveridge** have made a fine start in D & T, always engaged and contributing excellent ideas and thoughts.



## Year 10

**10L3** have begun well in Maths, working hard and mastering even the harder Pythagoras Theorem questions.

**Bella Allen, Aaron Green, Emma Jones, Emily Horton, Uzile Ndimande, Mollie Ralphs, Annie Williams** are commended for the encouraging start they have made and their positive approach in their Music lessons.

**Y10 and 11 Hair and Beauty students** have made a great start to their course. Their behaviour and attitude whilst visiting another school has been excellent. They have learned how to shampoo properly and the correct terms, including some French ones (effleurage and petrissage) for massage techniques whilst washing hair. They have also learned different styles of plaiting. They have been well motivated and focused.

**10C1 History** have made a promising start to their studies of Germany under Kaiser Wilhelm II. They have worked diligently on the complexities of government and the changes Germany went through between 1890-1914.

In Music **Rochelle Harris, Jayden Dorans, Oliver Morgan, Daniel Hansen, Alex Harrison, Kyle Hartwell** and **Eva Palmer** have produced some great work using Soundtrap (a Music Sequencer) for the first time.

**Elliot Jones, Nicolas Baldwin** and **Sophie Howard** have made a pleasing start in D & T, always engaged and contributing good ideas and thoughts.

## Year 9

**9LT** have done pleasing work on factors, multiples and primes and also contributed well to class discussions.

**9LR** have gained a good understanding of the index laws in Maths.

**9LR** have also made an impressive start to their English lessons. Students have been able to offer mature and articulate thoughts and opinions on the topic of Human Rights.

**9LW** in Science have made a fine start to the year, concentrating impressively. They have also made a good start to the year in English. Every student is trying their best and really wanting to improve. Particular mention must go to **Tamzin Rudge** who produced a very impressive first piece of writing this week.

Mrs Giles is really pleased with the start made by **9RC English**. They are well-organised and are working very hard.

**9LH** have impressed by their overall attitude to learning as a class in English.

**Codi-J Brett, Emily Sprague, Isobel Sprague, Rhiannon Green** and **Joe Connolly** have made an encouraging start in D & T, showing a highly detailed general understanding of the subject.



## Year 8

**8RD and 8LW** have made a very good start in their maths lessons.

**8RA** have made a great start to their Y8 History studies in researching the good and bad characteristics of King Henry VIII.

Congratulations to **8LW** who have demonstrated a very enthusiastic attitude to their work on cell biology. **Felix Filkin and Sarah Prosser** have shown a really good knowledge of the key words relating to plant cells and their functions.

Congratulations to **Harris Broderick (8CEM)** who has achieved the highest number of ePraise points in his tutor group for demonstrating a positive attitude to learning.

**8RC have worked very hard in Maths.** Special mention to **Daniel Rogers** who, last week, was good at explaining the work to the person next to him and was so helpful.

**8L/EnT** have made a good start to the year, with particularly strong contributions from **Lily Hall, Harvey Skimming, Vethesh Thivakaran** and **Shaylah Stokes**.

**P8SSD** are a very positive, supportive and enthusiastic group. Special mention to **Anna Garbett-Sweet** for her rendition of My Little Pony.

**8R D'Oliveira** have settled very well to their Food lessons. **Arlyia Hussey, Jessica Bodilly** and **Hannah Carter** completed lovely transition work and the following students showed excellent creativity when designing a gimmick food product: **Tobias Ryback – Spaghetti Ice Cream, Evangeline Livett – Cheesecake flavoured chewing gum, Tom King – Code breaking chocolate dispenser, Hayden Gadsby-Cooper – Edible pencil and sharpener, Rhys Maidment – Edible Chocolate mug and Evie Felgate – Covid Pops.**

**In 8R Parks Poppy Hatfield – Evans, Jacob Hird, Bobby Patel, Roxy Robinson, Will Howard, Cara Fern** and **Matthew Oliver** completed very good transition work in Food and the following students showed impressive creativity when designing a gimmick food product; **Rossi Pugh – Chocolate Shades, Abigail Goodyear – Dragons breath ice cream, Bobby Patel - Edible Jordan Trainers, Alfie Wood – Edible pencils, Bee Barber – Lickable stickers, Rory Crawford – Sweet apple, Fynn Macormack – Terrible Toffees, Ava Goode – Candyfloss face mask and Jacob Dyke – Flavour changing drink ‘flavottle’.**

**William Miles** has impressed with his extensive geographical general knowledge.

**Tom Lewis** has made very good first impression through excellent manners and a “can do” attitude.

**Faye Morgan, Cameron Moore, Finley Jones, Jessica Clifford, Max Rigby, Katie Maxted** and **Theo Copestake** have made a promising start in D & T, always engaged, contributing good ideas and detailed work.



Well done to the following year 8 students for their outstanding effort with the French transition work and a most promising start to their French studies this year:

**Fred Dale, Nicola Pawlak, Sophie Turk, Abbie Woodland, Ellee Garside, Owen Exon, Grace Winter, Katie Maxted, Ella Marshall, Bailie-Mae Bull, Faye Morgan, Roxy Robinson, Arlyia Hussey, Lewin Thomas Meredith, Lilia Hicks, Holly Dufty, Matthew Oliver, Summer Griffin, Rory Crawford and Jack Hastie, Russell Levestam, Bella Smith, Emily Richards, Daisy Moffatt, Harry Millwood, Amy Meredith, Charlotte Westcott and Jack Daniels**

**8LW and 8RA** have made a really enthusiastic start to French and have participated well in lessons.

### Music Transition Work

**Owen Exon 8KLS** produced a marvellous multi-track video recording of him playing piano, violin, accordion, cajon in an arrangement of Greatest Showman.

**The following contributions were also very promising:**

- Grace Winter 8CEM** Set design for Phantom of the Opera
- Georgia Howes 8TCT** Hair and Make-up for Scar from The Lion King
- Kelsey Dewhurst Ford 8KLS** Make up for the Acrobat from the Greatest Showman
- Harry Millwood 8TCT** Design for a Microphone for Donkey from Shrek
- Hollie Baker 8TAR** Poster for Pitch Perfect and covering The Cup Song
- Joshua Hewlett 8SSD** Poster for Shrek
- Chloe Lostitch 8CMJ** Poster for Bambi
- Jack Hampton 8SSD** Poster for Joseph and his Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat
- Vinnie Paxton 8FJL** Poster for We Will Rock You
- Rhys Newman 8TCT** Poster for Shrek
- Ella Marshall 8KLS** An impressive CV of performing arts experiences
- Freddie Dale 8CMJ** Poster from Shrek
- Evie Felgate 8DBS** Singing Almost there from The Princess and the Frog
- Lauren Heath 8KLS** Hair and Makeup for a stage performance
- Jacob Hird 8CEM** Poster for the Greatest Showman
- Olivia Traynor 8KLS** Make up for the Greatest Showman.

**8LR** are congratulated on an impressive start in German. The first lessons have been very enjoyable. Special praise goes to **Archie Chesson-Willetts, Fred Dale, Lacey Groves, Leah Harrison, Daisy Evans, Keira Yates, Georgia Howes, William Broughton, Jessica Evans, Abbi Curtis, Eloise Harris and Owen Exon** for participating especially well during the first lessons of German.

**Philippa Horton 8TCT** has made an impressive start showing her creativity and imagination through drawings and doodles of very high quality.



Both **8LA and 8RA** have made a very positive start in English. Mrs Simpson is especially impressed with the transition projects that have been submitted by **Jack Hampton, Jack Hastie, Rossi Pugh, Jake Johnson Budd, Vinnie Paxton, Matthew Wood** and **Lee Coleman**.

**Vethesh Thivakaran, Maddison Whiten-Lake, Russell Levestem, Callum Child, Alfie Stone, India Allen, Taylor Pugh, Emily Snookes, Emily Gandy, Lily Hall** and **Millie Howcroft** in 8LT have also completed some good English transition

There were a lot of good entries from 8RR for their Superheroes project but special mention must go to **Lilly Noone, Amelia Burton** and **Abigail Goodyear** whose work was really excellent.

8LR have made a great start in English. **Marcus Osborne, Freya Kelly, Jacob Daniels** and **Georgia Howes** have completed very interesting transition projects.

### School Catering

A Catering Outlet has been set up in each zone and is open at break and lunch every day with a variety of hot and cold items available.

Week A & Week B Menus and the price list can be found on these coloured tabs on the website under School Catering.



The ParentPay top up facility can also accessed in order maintain credit to purchase items.



### Transaction details

If you would like to know more information about what items are purchased, we can supply a detailed transaction report which shows dates, times and each item purchased, please email [schoolkitchen@droitwichspahigh.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:schoolkitchen@droitwichspahigh.worcs.sch.uk)

### Daily Spending Limits for Students

Each student has a default spending limit on their catering account of £5 per service unless instructed otherwise.

If you would like to set a limit with a total amount to spend per day or an amount for break and/or lunch, this can be arranged by emailing [schoolkitchen@droitwichspahigh.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:schoolkitchen@droitwichspahigh.worcs.sch.uk) with the student name, tutor group and your preferences.

This is especially helpful to balance the account so the credit is not spent too quickly when a larger e-payment has been made instead of smaller daily payments.



**Exceeded funds**

If students try to purchase items but do not have adequate credit in their account, a loan at the till will be applied.

This will need to be repaid by making an e-payment on ParentPay, with any balance credited to the account.

**If you have any comments, questions or queries at any time, please do not hesitate to contact us via email [schoolkitchen@droitwichspahigh.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:schoolkitchen@droitwichspahigh.worcs.sch.uk)**