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Sixth Form

In English Literature **Will Parkes** was interested in the relevance of a card game mentioned in *A Streetcar Named Desire*, and decided to research this, then produced a document linking this game to the themes and characters in the play; all without being prompted.

Year 12 Theatre Studies students have done some thought-provoking and intelligent reinterpretation performances in the past week, based on the play Doctor Faustus.

Charis Hughes and Marnie Harkus produced some exceptional homework on the Multi-store Model of Memory in Psychology this week.

Year 11



All of the Year 11's are doing really well with their devised work in Drama. In particular **Elliot Norton** delivered his monologue to the class this week with confidence and skill.

In English Phoebe Wheeler-Wooding and Holly Hulstan have shown determination and resilience in working to achieve high grades in their GCSE Spoken Language presentations.

Matthew Hemmens-Ross has worked extremely hard in Maths and has completed all his classwork and homework to an excellent standard.

Well done to **11S2 English** who have made a good start to their reading of Macbeth.

In English Sinead Carroll has impressed with her efforts both in the classroom and in her first pieces of homework. This is a huge improvement from last year.

Congratulations to the following students in 11L1, 11L2 and 11R2 who demonstrated significant progress with the topic of Chemical Analysis achieving their IGR or above; **Emily Allen, Amy** Carter, Joe Faulkner, Callum Goss, James Gregory, Reece King, Olivia Mound, Harvey Osbourne, Nathan Redfern, Cassie Taylor, Demi Watson, Liam Blackmore, Fred McGough, Maisie Thomas Meredith, Abbie Baker, Ewan Carter, Lily Fidoe, Kathryn Jones, Lauren Leslie,



Charlie Price, Daniel Summerfield, Kyle Westacott, Will Atherton, Stephen Cashman, Jack Daniels, Will Hughes, Lewis Jones, Jasmine Leverett-Hawes, Keira Ashworth, Alysha Baylis, Cerys Fox, Jazz Murray, Macey Perrins, Alfie Chapman, Eddie Chorley, Chloe Finlan, Jessica Gennard, Tom Godwin, Abbie Hill, Will Jackson, George Knowles, Ellie Taylor, Flynn Thomas.

Congratulations to the following students of 11S2 who demonstrated confident knowledge and application regarding Flame Emission Spectroscopy; Matty Woodings, Tia Summers, Rachael Cheah and Rowan Dennett

Mr Ward's Year 11 German groups are all working extremely hard in lessons and preparing well for tests. Their written and spoken German is becoming impressive.

Huge praise is due to the following Y11 students who worked relentlessly throughout lockdown and the Summer break: Isabelle Cox, Amy Ford, Emily Jeffreys, Kathryn Jones, Jodie Murray and Mary-Ellen Poynton. I have also seen some great work from Ross Clark, Shannon Hall, Lauren Turberfield and Jessica Welsh.

Chloe Wood completed her GCSE Dance homework on music for dance with an outstanding level of effort.

Year 10

The Y10 GCSE Dance group have settled well into the course and are working with a really positive attitude, high levels of effort and lots of enthusiasm

10CA1 have made an impressive start to the Geography GCSE. They have been working superbly, all remembered their books and seem genuinely interested in the course.

Holly Jackson is congratulated for her exceptional efforts in the classroom and in her first pieces of homework.

Both 10A and 10B Child Development groups have made an impressive start to the year. They have been focused, willing to share their knowledge and ideas with the rest of the group and generally been really mature in their attitude to the subject.

Congratulations to the following students in 10R2 and 10L1 who demonstrated with confidence the skill of balancing equations in Maths Maddie Baskerville, Sofie Berry-Morris, Grace Farrell, Zach Davies, Lilly Russell, Bethany Evans, Ruva Nyamunde, Troy Pemberton, Kaden Patterson, Sam Woolley and Leon Hancock

10L5 have made a superb start to their English GCSE and have really impressed Mr Kirk with their attitude and energy.

Year 9

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Well done to the 9B Drama group. They have all read lines, analysed characters, and designed interesting costumes. I was thoroughly impressed with the energy and enthusiasm.

In History Jaspreet Kaur, Toby Gurney Terry and Lucy Cure have produced excellent colonial expansion diagrams in their work on empire.

Ella Blakemore, Jack Walker and Dillon Richardson produced some excellent work on emigration.

Hope Evans – For an excellent attitude to learning – Always willing to push herself during lessons and producing high quality pieces of homework.

9RC have made an excellent start to their Year 9 English studies. They are focused and interested, and their ability to analyse texts is really coming on. The following students are making particularly pleasing progress: **Taylor Brighton, Sky Styles, Nia Christoforou, Alice Hughes, Hope Evans and Jacob Burton.**

Lucy Davis, Chloe Hodgson, Jack Osbaldiston and Sylvia Scattergood completed some excellent homework solving problems using Pythagoras' Theorem.

Jordan Groves in 9LT did really well in his Science assessment

Stanley Broadway has been a keen mathematician this year and working extremely hard since the year began as well as being a more resilient learner – Huge improvement from last year.

Y9 excellent effort and progress in music: Bailey Hall, James Lettis, Kyran Newman, Ellison Priest, Guilherme Rodriges, James Rudkin, Jake Twinham, Poppy Slater, Billy Deacon, Joe Bradbury, Sophie Gomersall, Annabelle Brannan, Emily Dutton, Lucy Bott, Joel Park and Emmie Clarke.

Well done to the following year 9 students who produced some excellent homework on gelatinisation and sauce making:

Leo Grzybek, Grace Oakley, Hollie Pheasant, Bea Rusby, Izzy Simpson, Mya Slavin, Emily Stanley, Molly Still, Owen Throssell, Harvey Winter,

Congratulations to the following students for creating some cracking story boards on raising agents:

Sally Baker, Immie Evans, Catherine Sandell,

The following students made a very impressive start with their homework on food production.

Sally Baker, Taylor Brighton, Isabelle Edwards, Summer Goodwin, Leo Grzybek, Laurie Holder, Bryn Lambe, Izzy Lewis, Grace Oakley, Hollie Pheasant, Bea Rusby, Catherine Sandell, Poppy Slater, Mya Slavin, Molly Still, Owen Throssell, Zoe Winsper, Harvey Winter,

Mrs Neale would like to congratulate 9C FrS for their excellent leaflets in French, advertising the local area. Special mention goes to

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Giorgia Baylis, Sky Baylis, Sophia Birtles, Holly Bourne, Daniel Buckell, Mackenzie Cossum-Lawley, Chloe Crowther, Ellie Dawson, Freddy Fletcher, Toby Hetherington, Oliver Jesion, Kayleigh Jones, Bradley Keay, Jack Mason, Will Matthews, Keira Nicklin, Joel Parks





Year 8

Well done to Cameron Moore, Georgia Howes, Cara Fern and Fred Dale for their fabulous French transition work and for a great start to their French studies.

In German (y8LR):

Daisy Evans, Lacey Groves, Fred Dale, Archie Chesson-Willets, Abbie Woodland, Jessica Evans, Hannah Jordan, Georgia Howes and Skye Wilson have particularly well participated in class this week.

Special mention to **Abigail Parmley**, her German book is immaculate and homework is completed to a very high standard.

Lovely Artwork from 8L Rowling in particular **Harry Milwood R 8TCT and Georgia Howes R 8TCT**, whose homework was excellent and showed clear understanding of the artist studied.

Well done to these students for their outstanding transition projects in science: Georgia Howes, Charlotte Westcott, Maciej Goscilo, Nicola Pawlak, Archie Chesson- Willetts, Fred Dale

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Well done to members of 8LA for working so hard on their 'surprise' masks in French. They introduced themselves or a character with sentences in French hidden underneath their face mask.

Joseph Connor, Alfie Drinkwater, Kevin Fenyvesi, Jack Hampton, Jack Hastie, Jasmine Styles, Connor Wood, Lucy Wood, Charlie Wright and Summer Wright

Harris Broderick, Vethesh Thivakaran, Jack Hastie, Aaron Griffiths and Lewis Hartwell worked with an excellent level of effort in their fitness lesson within PE this week.

Well done to all the students that attempted the smoothie making task. Special mention to the following students for their excellent presentation and/or evaluations.

Evie Felgate, Harry Guest, Jacob Hird, Matthew Oliver, Bobby Patel, Olivia Traynor,

Well done to the following students for their creative kitchen, hygiene and safety leaflets.

India Allen, Hollie Baker, Jacob Daniels, Kelsey Dewhurst Ford, Esther Duerden, Holly Dufty, Zach Fisher, Eloise Harris, Poppy Hatfield-Evans, Chloe Lostitch, Amy Meredith, Abigail Parmley, Vinnie Paxton, Sarah Prosser, William Ross, Thomas Smith, Lillie Rose Willetts,

Well done to the following students for their Breakfast transition work. Some really lovely exemplar pieces : Violet Adams, Archie Chesson-Willetts, Fred Dale, Owen Exon, Ella Marshall, Haruka Misawa, Olivia Traynor,

Duke of Edinburgh's Award Update

Award Successes



DROITWICH SPA HIGH SCHOOL AND SIXTH FORM CENTRE

Congratulations on completing their DofE Award go to Year 12 student Annie Young (Silver) and ex-

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students **Will Hansen (Silver) and Liam Cunciu (Bronze).** Certificates and badges are on their way to you by post.

To join them in successfully finishing their Awards, participants need to:

- 1. Update their eDofE accounts with evidence of their activities (<u>www.edofe.org</u> or using the eDofE app).
- 2. Ask their section assessors to complete a report about their progress. It is easiest to do this at www.dofe.org/assessor.

Year 9 - DofE Bronze Award

Applications are now being taken for the DofE Bronze programme running at DSHS this year. Thank you to all of the students who have already submitted their applications, we've been impressed by the quality so far! Remember that the deadline is Friday 2nd October at 5pm. Application forms have been emailed to you and should be returned by email to Mr Shepherd (ShepherdTF@droitwichspahigh.worcs.sch.uk).

Year 10 - DofE Silver Award

The Year 10 DofE Enrichment students have made begun attending their timetabled enrichment sessions with Mr Shepherd and Miss Haddon. Please remember to bring in enrolment forms and to make the initial payment on ParentPay.

Applications are now being taken for the extra-curricular DofE Silver programme running at DSHS this year and is open to all students regardless of previous DofE experience. Thank you to the students who have already submitted their applications; we've not had many applications so far so please if your child is interested, please encourage them not to leave it to the last minute. Remember that the deadline is Friday 2nd October at 5pm. Application forms have been emailed to you and should be returned by email to Miss Haddon (HaddonLA@droitwichspahigh.worcs.sch.uk). Students who took part in the DofE Bronze programme in Year 9 but haven't quite finished will be able to complete their Bronze Award as they complete the Silver Award and are very welcome to apply.

Year 11 - DofE Silver Award

For Year 11 DofE Silver students, we will be running the necessary DofE support and training sessions on a Monday week B, period 6 starting Monday 5th October. These will take place on Microsoft Teams from 4-4.30pm between now and Christmas. If there are any issues with joining these sessions, please ask your child to get in touch with Mr Tibbits

(<u>TibbitsM@droitwichspahigh.worcs.sch.uk</u>) to discuss it further. We are currently planning the postponed practice and qualifying expeditions and will be in touch in the coming months regarding this.

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Year 12 - DofE Gold Award

Due to popular demand, there will be two DofE Gold Groups running this year at DSHS. The enrichment group is on a Thursday lesson 4 and the extra-curricular group is on a Wednesday lesson 6. There are spaces remaining and so if students are interested in joining, please encourage them to speak to Mr Tibbits to discuss it further.

Year 13 - DofE Gold Award

Well done to the Year 13 students who have made good progress over recent months with section activities and to those who have kept their eDofE evidence records up to date. It is this which students find most difficult to complete after finishing Sixth Form so please do encourage your child to be proactive with this if they are involved. We are currently planning the postponed practice expedition and will be in touch in the coming months regarding this.

Should you have any questions or queries not answered here, please don't hesitate to get in touch with one of the team.

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