



## Newsletter

25<sup>th</sup> November 2021

### Sixth Form

Years 12 and 13 Art students have been applying themselves with commitment and creativity, as these examples demonstrate.



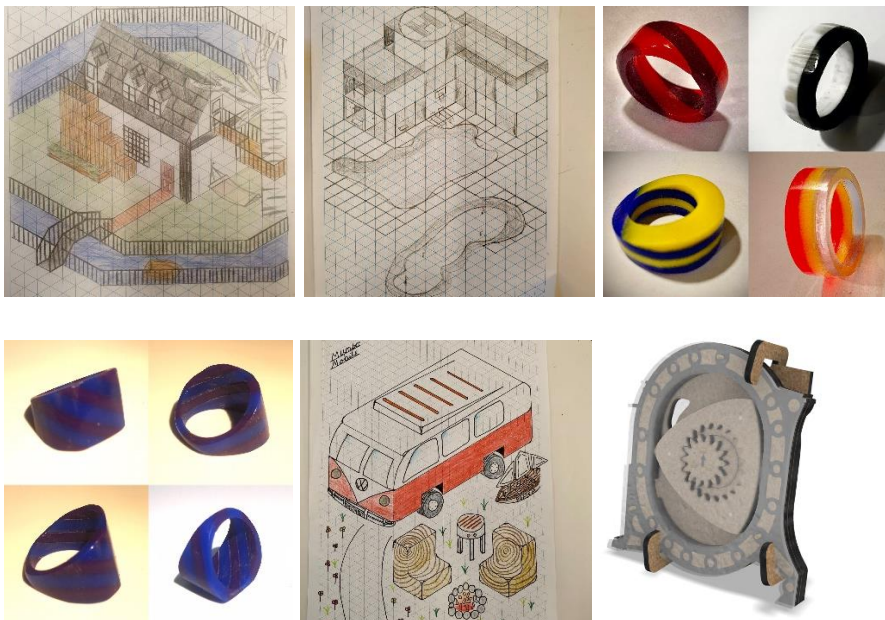
**OLA POZIEMSKA Y13**

**BECCA HILL Y12**

**ANGEL GOODWIN Y12**

Year 12 – There has been some very good design sketching by **Tia Davies**, **Dan Court**, **Oliver Broomfield**, **Fin Bird**, **Will Atherton** and **Lottie Mountford**. The Year 12 Product Design group as a whole has made a really positive start to the year.

Year 13 – The Innovative laser cut products by **Ben Wood**, **Ben James** and **Nathan Law** deserve recognition.



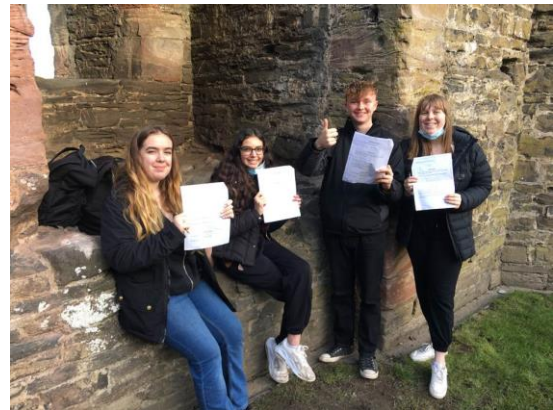




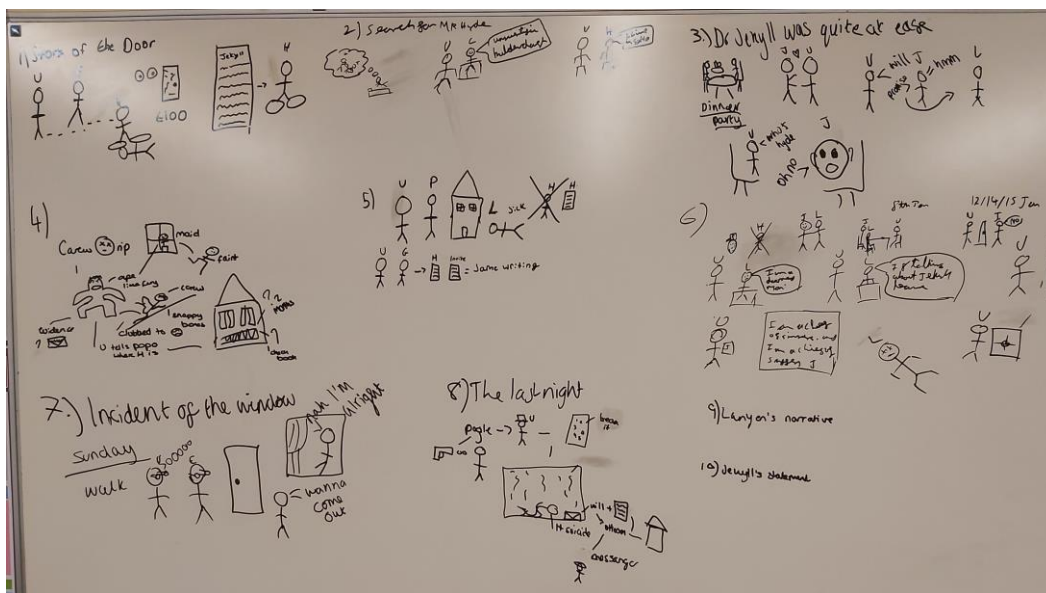
## Year 11

Congratulations to **Mia Gardner-Smith** who was last week's Geographer of the week. **Verity Thomas** and **Millie Shepherd** are also achieving consistently high standards in Geography. **Lewys Perkins** deserves credit for his focused and positive attitude in the subject last week.

The History visit to Conwy castle was a great success. Being able to climb the stairs and walk the walls of a medieval castle helped the students to relate to the time of Edward 1, which they are studying for the GCSE.







In English **Emily Horton, Chris Kirby, Maha James, Sam Smith and Phoebe Davies** worked together to re-tell the story of Jekyll and Hyde) as a part of their CLIMB session. They created an image that demonstrates

their detailed grasp of the key events.

The individual results of the 11A and 11B Child Development groups in the November assessment demonstrate the progress which each student has made this term. They have all done very well.

**Maggie Winter, Amy Golden, Paige Rowe, Kelsie Read, Aimee Douglas, Grace Kasch, Daisy Jacobs, Poppy Robinson, Sophie Warner, Emily Shephard, Olivia Lewis, Lucy Oliver, Emily Pearce, Ambar Pitcher, Millie Rowe, Priya Sharma and Verity Thomas** each showed strong subject knowledge.

**Mia Croft, Lilly Griffiths, Alicia-Mai Bradbury, Abi Eversham, Emily Eversham, Lilly Dawson and Ellie-May Preston** all showed pleasing progress since their last assessment.

**Lucy Oliver** received a commendation point for the level of detail in her answers, reflecting how thoroughly she had absorbed the guidance in exam technique.



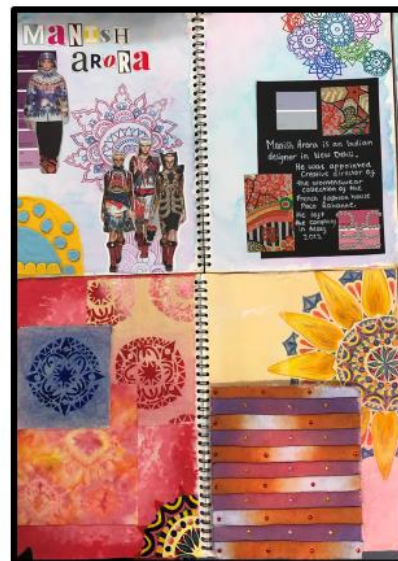
**Nicole Carswell** is commended for clear and effective reading of Lady Macbeth's lines in English.  
**Tom Quinn** has impressed through his kindness and cooperation in Core PE.

**Year 11 Engineering** - Ingenious mechanical devices were produced by **Frankie Walker**, **Olivia Gregory** and **Matt Hatfield**

**Nicholas Oraczewski** is commended for his work on Changing Places and in Geography this term.

## Year 10

10A Textiles have all been working hard, making an excellent job of exploring new textile techniques with a 'Boho' theme. A selection from their sketchbooks follows.



**NIA  
CHRISTOFOROU**  
**SYLVIA  
SCATTERGOOD**  
**ALICE McELROY**  
**VINCENT LANE**



**SIDRA WAFTA**  
**HATTIE BIRD**  
**ANNABELLE  
DASHEY**  
**SOPHIE  
WATKINS**

In History **Sacha Hart**, **Sam Tranter** and **Cassius Loague** produced excellent guides to the Nazi leaders in pre-war Germany.

**Nixie Pearson** submitted an excellent assessment piece on the internal and external factors in Hitler's rise to power.





Barney Simpson, Sacha Hart, Immie Evans, Molly Parry and Jacob Burton have been performing strongly in their GCSE History lessons this month, displaying both knowledge and understanding.

10LMJ made three boxes of Christmas gifts, with special mention to Summer Goodwin, Gracie Gould and Bryn Lambe for their enthusiasm in this charitable project.

In Geography Lucy Davis submitted a faultless answer on Typhoon Haiyan.

In Science Jamie-Lea Tasker exceeded his target grade in a recent test.

Bailey Hall, Alice McElroy, Ashton Hughes and Jaxon Tandy contributed to an insightful and mature discussion in PSHE this week.

Sophia Birtles and Alice McElroy have consistently impressed with their efforts in French this term.

Sky Baylis and Katie Stroud have been working hard in French and have produced some excellent written work describing their towns.

Mrs Derwent's Year 10 Child Development class have been learning about Labour. This week students 'gave birth' to their 'egg baby' and are taking care of them for a whole week... Mrs Burton's class will bring their 'egg baby' home next week.



## Year 9

### Design & Technology

Since September the department has been presenting some of the students' achievements on an Instagram account: [https://www.instagram.com/dshs\\_design/](https://www.instagram.com/dshs_design/). There are now almost 50 posts, comprising 140 images and videos that display the work of 80 students from Year 8 to Year 13.

Currently the account includes work from the following: Harry Guest, Callum Child, Logan Pugh, Lillie-Rose Willets, Owen Exon, Ella Marshall, Chloe Randle, Liam Duncalf, Vinnie Paxton, Amelia Chahal, Arlyia Hussey and Natasha Lindsay, Nicola Pawlak, Skye Wilson, Alfie Drinkwater, Daisy Tibble, Rory Crawford, Jess Jelfs, Jessica Evans, Ruby Lines, Leah Harrison,



Will Broughton, Will Howard, Tom Rogers and Jack Daniels, Daisy Evans, Lacey Groves, Jaygo Morris, Hannah Allen, Keira Yates and Grace Winter

In French Max Rigby, Joshua-James Evans, Cerys Jones have done some useful research on Midi-Pyrenees.

9LA Maths group receives special mention for its consistently admirable attitude. They have been working on some challenging topics recently, including Pythagoras, with Jamal Watfa, Brian Norris, Charlie Wright, Jake Johnson-Budd and Lucy Wood making especially impressive progress.

9R PE DR have shown an especially positive attitude in PE this week while playing conditioned badminton games.

Students in 9LD English have produced some impressive work on the social and historical context of their set book, *Of Mice and Men*.

Lexi Bennett, Kelsey Dewhurst Ford, Lillie Farrell, Emily Gandy, Ashton O'Keeffe, William Picken, Max Rigby and Shaylah Stokes have consistently worked hard in their Philosophy & Religion lessons.

In Science Faye Morgan has been inquisitive and questioning. Daisy Moffatt has been tenacious in seeking to improve her work.

Lewin Thomas Meredith, Matthew Oliver, Katie Maxted, Natasha Lindsay, Summer Griffin, Holly Dufty and Finley Jones made an excellent start on their work on World War I, investigating the long-term causes.

In Geography Jacob Daniels, Sophie Turk, Fred Dale, Eloise Harris, Freya Kelly, Ellee Garside, Owen Exon, Charlotte Westcott, Lillie Rose Willetts and Hannah Jordan have completed excellent work on coastal landforms.

## Year 8

Isabella Ross has shown outstanding writing skills in French and wrote a lovely paragraph about her favourite celebration.

In History Taylor Waldron, Ted Kirton, Kaicey Robinson, George Clarke, Natalia Wierzchowska, Theo Burrows, Daisy Morgan, Isabelle Cooper and Fin Garlick have made themselves well informed about Mary I.

Charlie Tranter, Amy Ross, Blake Clark, Erin Baker, Zac Thomas, Viya Patel, Charlie Drinkwater and Florence Bird worked really hard on their How to be Happy posters in PSHE this week.

Freya Austin, Owen Fletcher, Felicity Jordan, Archie Hirschfield, Finley Checketts, Amber Goodyear, Rosey Eckley-Williams and Leo Leverett-Hawes are commended for their work in Philosophy & Religion this week.



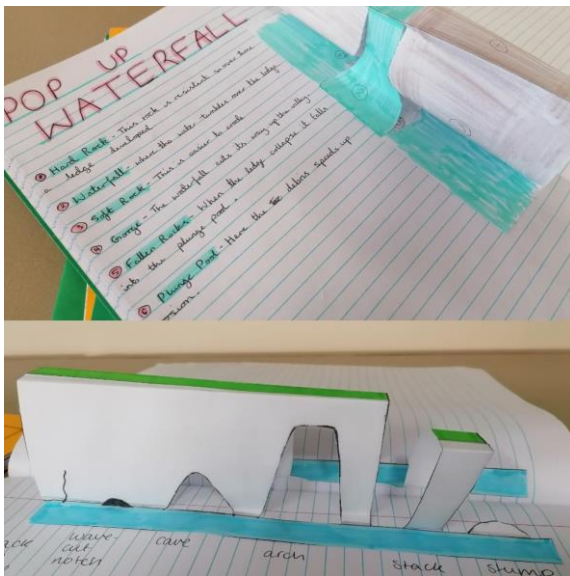
In Tutor Time **Drew Hankins and Millie Lang** showed great kindness in preparing and filling their own shoebox with gifts for charity.

**Jamie McCammon** has done some good work in Computer Science & Media and is always willing to help other students.

8R PE DWCA are all commended for their efforts in football this week whilst working on dribbling and shooting skills.

In History **Isabelle Butcher, Jack Crowther, Rebecca Johnson, Arthur Wilkinson and Carter Webb** developed a good role play on Mary Tudor and her suitors.

**Paige Shaw** produced an excellent Network diagram on the key characters in Henry VIII's divorce and the reformation of the English Church.



In Geography Year 8 have been creative in producing Pop up Waterfalls and Year 9 a model of Landforms of Erosion.



**Fin Garlick** was Historian of the week

8LH demonstrated impressive understanding of the Water Cycle in Geography.

**Samuel Barnett, Phoebe Brindley Jones, Simaran Kaur, Thomas Clay, Ruby Lodge and Rosie Bell** have done some very high-quality work on rivers

In Geography **Rameen Menaal** is commended for her outstanding exercise book and detailed homework on waterfalls.



## The Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Congratulations to the following students who have recently been awarded their DofE Awards.



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### Gold Award

- Eleanor Baskerville

### Silver Award

- Aleksandra Ogorek

### Bronze Award

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|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| • Joseph Connolly           | • Charlie Crutchley  |
| • Chelsea-Leigh Thom        | • Madeline Holyfield |
| • Izzy Sprague              | • Billy Deacon       |
| • Sam Milligan              | • Molly Still        |
| • Sophie Watkins            | • Emmie Clarke       |
| • Joseph Bradbury           | • Grace Rusby        |
| • Beatrice Boutayre-Burrows | • Bea Rusby          |
| • Catherine Sandell         | • Chloe Hodgson      |
| • Sophie Gomersall          | • James Rudkin       |
| • Isabelle Edwards          |                      |

### DofE Awards 2021-22

Applications have now closed for this year's DofE Award programmes and we were delighted with the quality of the applications received. The Sixth Form DofE Gold group is the largest ever at the High School and the students have already been out on mini adventures in the local area. Mrs Haddon-Childs is looking forward to working with the twenty Year 10 DofE Silver participants and Mr Shepherd has been impressed with the 54 Year 9 Bronze participants for their efforts so far.

As students get logged into eDofE for the first time, please encourage your child to submit their activities for approval before beginning them; they may be told that they are not appropriate at a later date otherwise. The assessor for each section should be a person with some interest or experience in that area and cannot be a family member. If you have any questions, please do get in touch by email.

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DofE Silver – Mrs Haddon-Childs: [HaddonLA@droitwichspahigh.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:HaddonLA@droitwichspahigh.worcs.sch.uk)

DofE Bronze – Mr Shepherd: [ShepherdTF@droitwichspahigh.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:ShepherdTF@droitwichspahigh.worcs.sch.uk)