



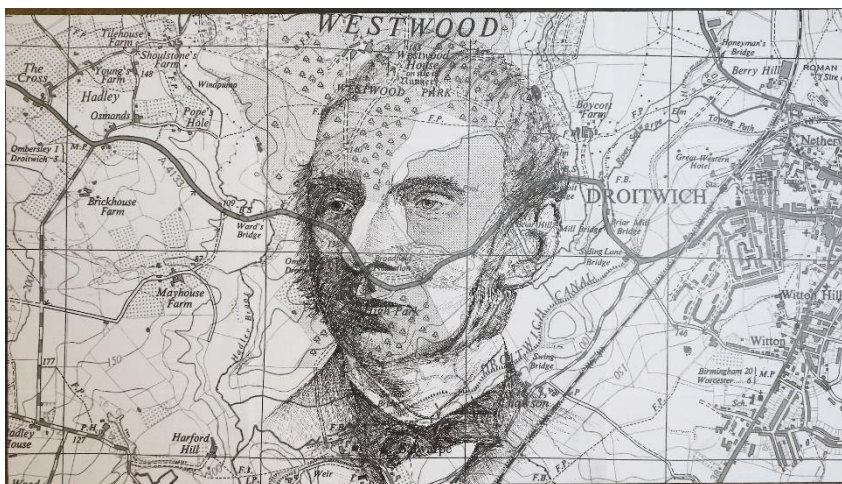
## Newsletter

6<sup>th</sup> June 2022

### Sixth Form

#### Lottie Mountford's art work to be displayed at the railway station

Lottie Mountford's art work has impressed so many people that it has been chosen for display at the town railway station. Lottie designed four pieces as part of her Extended Project Qualification. The Friends of Droitwich Train Station have asked for them to be them printed on acrylic and displayed for those who pass through this busy station.



The four pieces which Lottie has created show historical maps of the town overlaid with two of its most famous residents and an image associated with each of them. On one plate is a portrait of John Corbett; paired with it is the Chateau Impney, designed and built in the 1870s to please his wife. The other two pair show Edward Winslow and The Mayflower, the ship that

famously took him and 119 other pilgrims across the Atlantic in 1620.

Lottie says of her work: 'My intention was to celebrate the diverse history of our community in art form. After some research I discovered that the people of Droitwich were most interested in two key figureheads of Droitwich, Edward Winslow and John Corbett. These are accompanied by two other studies, one of the Mayflower and another of the Chateau, their corresponding ventures. All the pieces are laid over archived vintage maps of the surrounding area and the composition was then built in layers of controlled pen work. I decided to stick to black and white as a nod to the heritage of the pieces whilst pen allowed me to capture the detail of the subjects.'

Lottie's work will be available to view at the station in the next couple of weeks.



## Year 12 Visit to the Houses of Parliament

Last week Year 12 Politics students visited the Houses of Parliament. They were shown the workings of parliament and had the privilege of setting foot in both the House of Commons and the House of Lords, as well as the robing rooms. They also saw Whitehall's government buildings and Parliament Square.



Year 13 Theatre Studies students have been undertaking creative methods of revision for their impending written exam. **Dan Finch**, **Pam Stacey**, **Charlotte McCammon** and **Archie Hartles** have been making the revision process as positive as possible.

## Life Saving Community Service

One of our sixth formers was recently working part time at a gym when someone collapsed on a squash court, apparently having suffered a heart attack. When our student reached the person, the





casualty had no pulse and was not breathing. Thanks to the first-aid training which students received as part of the Sport & Physical Activity (Cambridge Technical) the sixth former able to perform CPR and use a defibrillator to deliver three shocks. The patient then regained a pulse. When the ambulance arrived [more than 15 minutes later], the patient had a heartbeat and was breathing.

How many Physicists does it take to cook breakfast?

Year 12 Physics students celebrated passing their radioactive materials handling training with a shared breakfast. Impressive cooking skills were revealed.



## Year 10

Miss Taylor's English group, 10S2, have displayed an impressive attitude towards their Spoken Language Assessments. They have researched, structured and presented speeches on a range of interesting and engaging topics and have delivered them with confidence. Public speaking can be a daunting prospect for some but, on the whole, members of the group have overcome their fears and shown real perseverance and nerve. [Sophie Gomersall](#) and [Joe Bradbury](#) even went on to receive commendations.

[10L4](#) and [10R2](#) have worked hard to prepare speeches for their GCSE Spoken Language assessment. We looking forward to hearing these next week.



**Ellie Walton** and **Louise Hall** have been awarded commendation points for volunteering to present first and for delivering excellent presentations which demonstrated the thoroughness of their preparation.

10S2 and 10L1 Chemistry groups have both completed assessments this week and have produced excellent scripts. They should all be proud of their effort.

10R2 showed admirable perseverance in some challenging algebra work over the past couple of weeks. They have made well deserved progress.

**Ruva Nyamande's** script has been assessed as Highly Commended by the judges from the National Theatre. A highly commended play is one that didn't make the shortlist, but nonetheless deserves special recognition. All the Highly Commended writers will be invited to attend an online workshop at 6 – 8pm on Wednesday 13th July.

This week, Mrs Littley's Year 10 food students made their own cheesy baked vegetarian enchiladas (all elements made from scratch, including tortillas). Well done to James Blake (whose dish is photographed here), **Mya Slavin**, **Sophie Pegg**, **Ellie Walton**, **Tom Stringer**, **Sally Baker**, **Hollie Pheasant**, **Hannah Eccleston** and **Daisy Powell**.



Students in Year 10 have given a warm welcome to **Nazar Samokhvalov** who has joined us from Ukraine.

## Year 9



In Science 9RC made excellent homework revision cards as they start to revise for their end of year assessment.

Members of 9LR English have been working really well in pairs to write and then peer assess speeches on inequality and injustice. Particular mention goes to **Felix Filkin**, **Hollie Baker**, **Amy Taverner** and **Lexi Smith** for their use of techniques and research in their speeches.

**Cameron Silvester Jones** has made good progress in his English lessons recently.

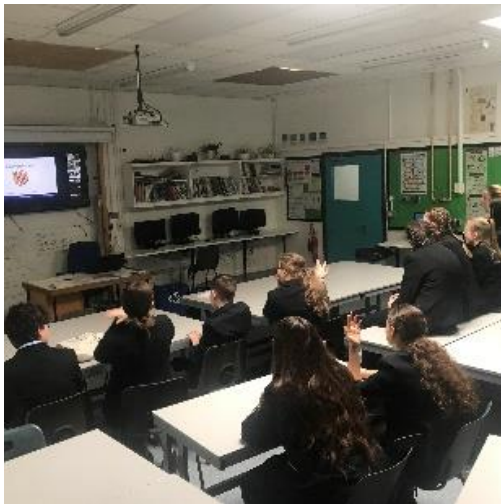


## Year 8

Students in Year 8 have given a warm welcome to **Vira Samokhvalova** who has joined us from Ukraine.

## Year 8 D&T

Congratulations to our two teams of Industrial Cadets who received their Bronze Awards at Friday's online graduation ceremony. Over the past twelve weeks the students have put over 20 hours of work into their projects. The scheme helps students to develop their employability skills as well as personal and thinking skills. The students produced a report, a model of their idea, a project video and were interviewed over Zoom by a panel of engineers. Both teams were enthusiastic and professional, managing to impress the experts with their answers.



Team 1 (left): **Drew Hankins**, **Grace Dean**, **Aleisha Layton**, **Eva McKay** and **Larisa Stefan**. Their project was "My School is an island"

Team 2 (right): **Lily Smith**, **Paige Shaw**, **Sophie Holland**, **Beth Childs**, **Emily Cowell-Baker** and **Daisy Evans-Lochlin**. Their project was "Future Proof - Designing buildings for climate change"





Both teams have been mentored by engineers from Worcester Bosch and have been invited to a guided tour of their factory at the start of June. At the graduation ceremony Team 2 have been nominated for a “Best Teamwork” award. We will find out the overall winner when we join the students for the awards ceremony at the Manufacturing Technology Centre (MTC) in July.

In Maths 8RA have shown commendable progress in solving some tricky equations and produced lovely posters.

Well done to **Brandon Di Nunzio**, **Brennan Mansfield**, **Charlie Edge**, **Rhys Eckley** and **Millie Lloyd** for first class results in their recent spelling test.

**Brandon Di Nunzio**, **Jack Duncalf**, **Rhys Eckley**, **Charlie Edge**, **Kristal Kennedy**, **Millie Lloyd**, **Brennan Mansfield**, **Ella Powell** and **Kacey Walford** impressed with their constructive approach towards their reading assessment.

In English 8RA+ are commended for their attitude to learning, mature discussions and hard work during comprehension activities.

8LH were really focused on their assessment this week, working effectively under exam conditions. **Abigail Richards**, **Tia Shewell** and **Tristan Crook** have been making really good individual progress.

All of the students in DT group 8L Zebra are commended for their outstanding effort, attitude and positivity.



Year 8 have been creative in their Food lessons over the last couple of weeks, designing and making colourful layered mason jar salads. The year group has worked to a high standard and shown some appropriate independence during the practical exercises. Well done to everyone in 8RRhino, 8LHyena, 8RBuffalo, 8LRhino and 8RElephant.





## Bella appears in subway art



Many of you will know that Wychavon District Council and Droitwich Spa Town Council are funding the Droitwich Spa Underpass Art Project. The project's purpose is to celebrate the community, the town's history and to provide positive inspiration. The second underpass has recently been completed. We are all delighted to find that it includes this picture of Mr Buckell's dog Bella, now such a valued part of the Inclusion Centre.

Five more underpasses will be painted with different designs over the coming months.



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AND SIXTH FORM CENTRE

Three of our former students, **Joe Barley**, **Josh Sinclair** and **Liam Cunciu** recently collected their Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award at a special celebration event at Buckingham Palace. HRH Prince Edward, Earl of Wessex, Patron of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award, led the celebrations of the commitment, resilience and achievement demonstrated by these young people. On the lawns of the palace were speeches from special guests including Apprentice winner, Tim Campbell MBE, the acclaimed adventurer Al Humphreys and Strictly dancer Johannes Radebe.



## Taking part in the DofE Award programmes at DSHS

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award inspires hundreds of thousands of young people, from all walks of life, to explore who they are, grow in confidence and develop the skills they need to successfully navigate life. The DofE Bronze Award is offered to Year 9 students in the autumn term and the DofE Silver Award is offered to Year 10 students in the autumn term and sees the students take on challenges across four sections: volunteering, physical, skill and expedition. The DofE Gold Award is offered to our Sixth Form students and includes a fifth, additional section: residential.



## For current DofE participants at DSHS

Well done, you'll be making progress toward achieving your DofE Award. In order to gain the full award, you need to make sure you have:

1. Completed the number of weeks for your chosen timescales.
2. Uploaded evidence of regular participation.
3. Given your assessor your 'eDofE ID number' for them to complete a DofE Assessors' Report to celebrate your achievements from over the course of the activity. They can do this at [www.dofe.org/assessor](http://www.dofe.org/assessor)

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## Get Fishing!

Get Fishing is the Angling Trust's campaign to encourage more people to fish more often. Each year there are hundreds of events for all ages and abilities. Get Fishing events are for anyone who wants to get into angling, to get back into angling, to find out where to go fishing, who to go fishing with, what is needed to start fishing and how to go fishing for the first time. Their **Get Fishing events** are ideal for families looking for beginner sessions where someone can learn to fish or get back into angling after a break.

<https://anglingtrust.net/getfishing/>