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HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

These last few weeks have easily been the most dramatic and worrying for everyone. None of us have ever experienced self-isolation, social distancing and living in the midst of an epidemic. It is extremely disconcerting. Living with teenagers can be 'challenging' at the best of times and no doubt your patience is being tested to the limit. Stay strong and do not allow your son/daughter to meet their friends and gather in groups. You can do it!





By now you ought to have received an email outlining **the work for your son/daughter week beginning Monday 30 March**. If you have any queries (or are now considering a career in teaching!) please contact me at the earliest opportunity.

We are now setting work for all pupils in Years 7-11. Even though the GCSE exams have been cancelled, it is still important these pupils prepare for 'A' levels, BTEC or life as an Apprentice. Sadly, the annual Year 11 Leavers' Ball in mid-June is almost certain to be cancelled, although we are hoping to organise a similar event at a suitable time.

Another event which was cancelled was last week's **GCSE Musical Recital evening**. This would have been an opportunity for all our talented musicians to perform in front of an appreciative audience. Sadly this could not happen, but these are the Year 11 musicians you would have heard.

Aaron Allen, Charlie Askam, Joshua Cartwright, Anya Collinson, Nicole Holt, Charlotte Lisgo, Patrick Newton.

They are extremely talented and you would have really enjoyed listening to them.

We are open for the children of parents who are deemed critical workers. There have not been many, an average of ten each day, but we feel it is an essential service as it has enabled such parents to work in the NHS and similar vital organisations.

As always, your support and involvement in school life is really appreciated, never more so than ever. Thank you for all your emails and messages of gratitude which I routinely share with staff. Random acts of kindness are always very much appreciated. Stay safe, stay healthy and remain two metres apart.

If I can be of any help over the coming weeks, do not hesitate to contact me. My email address is morrisc@broughtonhigh.co.uk.

Chris Morris, Headteacher

Library News

As Dr Seuss says **"You can find magic wherever you look. Sit back and relax, all you need is a book."** So do please keep encouraging your children to keep reading.



Although the libraries may be closed, you can still join Lancashire libraries online and gain access to **Borrow Box**, their eBook and eAudiobook lending service. More information at:

www.lancashire.gov.uk/libraries-and-archives/libraries/library-services.

If you are searching for inspiration why not check out some of our recommendations on the LRC page of Firefly. On this page you will also find **Reading Links** to other useful websites offering further recommendations, reading activities and resources. Should you find yourself at a loose end, we have also uploaded several of our library **Quizzes**. Why not try out our Emoji Book Quiz or challenge yourself to see how many book titles you can find on Story Book Island? Keep checking back as I will be regularly updating the page with new quizzes and book recommendations as well as offering suggestions as to what to read next if you have finished reading the books from your favourite authors. We may even have a competition for you to enjoy. Don't forget you can also send in your own **Book Reviews** and perhaps inspire your friends to try something new. In the meantime, for younger children, David Walliams is currently releasing free audio stories taken on his site www.worldofdavidwalliams.com/elevenses.

Whilst schools are closed, **Audible Stories** are making a collection of books for children, free to stream on desktop, laptop, phone or tablet. Catering for 'littlest listeners' all the way up to 'teen'. Along with literary classics, stories are also available in a range of languages. Visit the following website for details: https://stories.audible.com/start-listen

Mrs Whitlock



Year 9 and 10 Visit to Blackpool and the Fylde College Practical Kitchen and Level 6 Restaurant



Milena Bragagnini, Hayden Cooke, Casey Olive, Katie McCombe, Grace Kellett, George Eastham, Zaid Vorajee, Saira Latif, Megan Cross (Year 10).

Pupils were invited to take part in a practical lesson at Blackpool and the Fylde College in both the kitchen and the Level 6 restaurant. After a tour of the facilities, pupils were soon put to work in preparing their own lunch of Beef (Vegetable) Balti Curry with Basmati Rice and Garlic and Coriander Naan Bread. *Chef Lecturer, Jordan Kehoe,* delivered the practical food lesson which the pupils seemed to enjoy thoroughly. They used a range of equipment and each made the different elements of the meal.



































After a delicious lunch in the Level 6 restaurant, *Tanja Spencer*, *Restaurant Manager*, showed the pupils how to design and make their own mocktails. Pupils were also shown how to flambé using a gueridon trolley. It was an informative day with pupils experiencing both sides of the Hospitality and Catering industry. Well done to all pupils who worked hard and to a professional standard.



Thank you to Blackpool and the Fylde College for an engaging and practical experience. For recipes used on the day please email me direct (newtonv@broughtonhigh.co.uk).



Helping children cope with stress during the 2019-nCoV outbreak



Children may respond to stress in different ways such as being more clingy, anxious, withdrawing, angry or agitated, bedwetting etc.

Respond to your child's reactions in a supportive way, listen to their concerns and give them extra love and attention.

Children need adults' love and attention during difficult times. Give them extra time and attention.

Remember to listen to your children, speak kindly and reasure them.

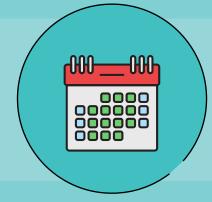
If possible, make opportunities for the child to play and relax.





Try and keep children close to their parents and family and avoid separating children and their caregivers to the extent possible. If separation occurs (e.g. hospitalization) ensure regular contact (e.g. via phone) and re-assurance.

Keep to regular routines and schedules as much as possible, or help create new ones in a new environment, including school/learning as well as time for safely playing and relaxing.





Provide facts about what has happened, explain what is going on now and give them clear information about how to reduce their risk of being infected by the disease in words that they can understand depending on their age.

This also includes providing information about what could happen in a re-assuring way (e.g. a family member and/or the child may start not feeling well and may have to go to the hospital for some time so doctors can help them feel better).

The ULTIMATE





Je m'appelle

Ma famille

Mes copains

Ennuyeux

Beaucoup de

Intéressant

Par exemple

Je voudrais

Je suis allé

Ce n'est pas

I am called

My family

My friends

Boring

A lot of

Interesting

For example

I would like

I went

It is not

Malheureusement

La natation

Mon collège

Je préfère

Je déteste

Je trouve que

Bien que ce soit

Au revoir

J'étais

L'environnement

Unfortunately

Swimming

My school

I prefer

I hate

I find that

Although it is

Goodbye

I was

Environment

Weekly Spelling Challenge

Parents vs Pupils

Learn the first ten spellings from the





- a**cc**eptable 1.
- accommodation 2.
- 3. apologise
- 4. argument
- 5. b**eau**tiful
- 6. begi**nn**ing
- bel**ie**ve 7.
- 8. busin**ess**
- 9. con**sc**ious
- 10. decided

Test yourself against your son/daughter.

Virtual Easter Egg for the winner.

Four rounds, four weeks.



Who is the best speller in your family? Send me the results.

A letter of Application



There are **50** errors in the following formal letter.

How many can you spot?

Compare with your son/daughter.

Answers on the next page ... no cheating!

26 cherry Tree drive preston lancshire Pr2 30/3/20

Preston City Council Town Hall Lancaster Road Preston

Dear Sir or Madame

I am writing to apply for the post of Temporary Playscheme Coordinator it is a job that I'd be good at playing with loads of kids. I have got loads of experiense and I am friendly and I am hard working and I am reliable. I have resently had a job as a part time waiter in a local cafe and did all kinds of things.

I am good at looking after young kids because there are two young children in are family: aged 8 and 6. I enjoy watching them always checking they do not hurt themselves. I now all about Health and Saferty because of my Mum.

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I look forward to talking to you at interview and starting this job as soon as. Thanx for listening.

Yours Sincerely

Answers



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Mr. M. Jenkins