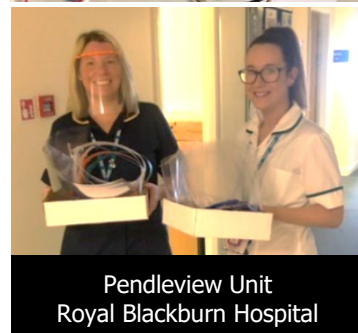


Dear Parents,

I trust you have all had a relaxing, enjoyable Easter. Yes, it is the most unusual, strange (and probably strained) Bank Holiday any of us have ever lived through, but we all appreciate that social distancing and staying at home protects the NHS and helps to save lives. I hope you and everyone in your family is safe, fit and healthy. We have continued to stay open for children whose parents are key workers. Whilst only five/six have attended most days, for those particular families, this provision has been much appreciated.

**Mr Brandwood** (Head of Technology) and **Mr Walker** (ex-trainee, now at Westholme and whose wife is a Doctor) have been busy **designing and making over 500 protective face masks** (and more still being made) which have all been delivered and used by various medical staff at Royal



Pendleview Unit  
Royal Blackburn Hospital

Preston Hospital, Blackpool Victoria Hospital, Blackburn Hospital, Darwen Health Centre, Blackburn Birthing Centre, MAU Royal Preston Hospital, Colne Health Centre, Meadowfield Nursing Home, Sign Language Interpretation Team and Primary Care Mental Health Team.

Needless to say, their work has been much appreciated by all the staff. The following twitter feeds provide an insight into what has been achieved so far.



<https://mobile.twitter.com/broughtondtech>  
<https://twitter.com/westholmedesign>

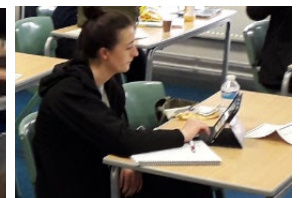
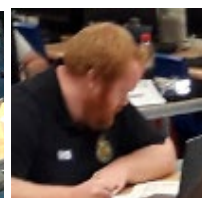
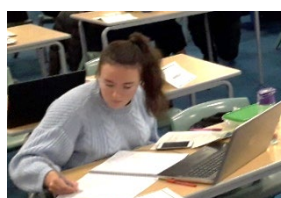
**Alfie Philbin** (8B) has also been designing and making similar products in his bedroom. He has embarked on **making faceguard frames** for the facial shields which frontline staff are using to treat Covid-19 patients. He

is using his 3D printer to make the frames and is making approximately six per day. Alfie's parents have arranged to drop these off at the Education Centre at Royal Preston Hospital so they can be distributed to the wards. Alfie's mum said, "He is working flat out at producing the guards to make as many as possible before we see the peak of the epidemic." Alfie should be extremely proud of the contribution he is making to support the NHS.

The **North West Ambulance Service** has started their training courses in our Computing suites. This is to enable new staff to respond to the increased calls over the coming weeks.



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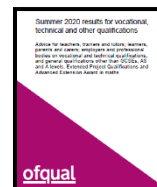
If you are eligible for **Free School Meals**, please be patient whilst we try and access the shopping vouchers from the Government's new website. All eligible applications have been processed, along with relevant email addresses, but this is taking longer than anticipated.

If you are a parent of **Year 11**, please look out for a separate email I have sent home highlighting some further news about **GCSE grades** and details about the **awarding process for BTEC and other technical awards**. The following website has links to the relevant documents.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/awarding-qualifications-in-summer-2020>

On **Friday 17 April** we will **email to you the work for your son/daughter for the week beginning Monday 20 April**. Please have a read through this and discuss so they understand exactly what they are required to do. Any queries, please email me.

We are all becoming a little more familiar with children having to learn on their own at home. Our processes will become more refined and we will strive to offer more comments and reward hard work, effort and high quality responses. So long as you continue to take an interest and offer encouragement, this will make such a difference. Thank You for all your support and involvement throughout these difficult times. Together we can all make a collective impact. If you have any queries or concerns, please get in touch. My email address is [morrisc@broughtonhigh.co.uk](mailto:morrisc@broughtonhigh.co.uk).



**Chris Morris, Headteacher**

### Year 11 Pupils invited to join *NEWMAN BEGINNINGS*

Year 11 pupils, who have applied to join Newman College in September, should have received an email last week from the College. The information will, we hope, be very helpful to pupils during these difficult times. Please encourage your son/daughter to follow the link in their email.

Hi ,

Newman Beginnings is here and we can't wait to welcome you to your subjects, whether you've set your sights on the subjects you wish to study, or you've had a change of heart and looking to find out more about a different subject we welcome you virtually to Newman Beginnings.

Click below to find out what to do next.

Your unique login details are below. (same as Newman Portal)

**Username:**  
**Password:** newman followed by your date of birth (i.e. newman01022003)

### Mixcraft 9 Software for pupils to use at home

Acoustica (who make our Mixcraft software) have offered all our pupils a **temporary licence to use Mixcraft 9 at home**. This is the same software we use in KS3. Unfortunately, it only works on Windows. However, for those pupils with Windows at home, it will give them a chance to experiment with the software and compose. Please note, **the software will work with PCs** but will not work on Chromebooks or Macs. The licence will expire once all the pandemic is over and all schools are re-opened.



DOWNLOAD MIXCRAFT 9 RECORDING STUDIO HERE  
<http://download.acoustica.com/mixcraft9/rs/Mixcraft9-64-Installer.exe>

- Run the installer.
- Your Registration ID is:  
[academictempV9@mixcraft9.com](mailto:academictempV9@mixcraft9.com)
- Your Registration Code is:  
00M1B-4QN1F-Z1AOM-4UEKC
- The installer will ask you to enter your registration ID and code. Use copy and paste to enter the Registration ID and Registration Code into the installer. Also, when registering, ignore the prompt to enter a retrieval code.
- Press "Next" to finish the installation.

**Mr Shepherd**



Teachers are continuing to award ClassCharts points for:

- **online tasks completed**
- **obvious time and effort**
- **high quality work**
- **great presentation**
- **original, independent work**

## **What support is available to parents to help them educate their children at home?**

For support you should first contact your child's educational setting, who will be able to offer advice. We want to support parents and all educational settings to ensure children and young people's education can continue. Available support includes:

- a [list of online educational resources](#) which have been identified by some of the country's leading educational experts to help pupils to learn at home
- the BBC is enhancing its education provision to include daily lessons starting from 20 April 2020.

## **There is too much pressure on broadband connections in my area - how can my child do online learning?**

The government is having regular calls with the major fixed and mobile operators, and with Ofcom, to monitor the situation and ensure that any problems on the networks are rapidly addressed and rectified.

We fully understand the importance of having reliable internet connectivity at this time, so that people can work from home wherever possible and access critical public services online, including health information.

## **Where can I go to get support to help keep my child safe online?**

There is support available to keep your child safe online. Below are some useful links to help parents and carers:

- [Thinkyouknow](#) (advice from the National Crime Agency to stay safe online)
- [Internet matters](#) (support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online)
- [Parent info](#) (support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online)
- [LGfL](#) (support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online)
- [Net-aware](#) (support for parents and carers from the NSPCC)
- [Let's Talk About It](#) (support for parents and carers to keep children safe from online radicalisation)
- [UK Safer Internet Centre](#) (tips, advice, guides)



**IF YOU'RE 11-19 TEXT YOUR  
YEARS OLD SCHOOL NURSE**

**07507330510**

**WE HELP STUDENTS WITH  
ALL KINDS OF THINGS LIKE...**

**EMOTIONAL HEALTH & WELLBEING BULLYING  
SELF ALCOHOL SMOKING  
HARM HEALTHY EATING SEXUAL  
DRUGS CONTRACEPTION HEALTH**

*Text us for confidential advice & support*

We do not usually inform your parents, teachers or anyone else if you contact the school nurse. We might inform someone if we were concerned about your safety, but we would usually speak to you first. Your messages are stored and can be seen by other healthcare staff who follow the same confidentiality rules. We aim to reply to you within one working day and you should get an immediate bounce-back to confirm we received your text. Texts will not be seen outside of normal working hours. If you need help before you hear back from us, contact a member of school staff or your doctor. Our text number does not receive voice calls or MMS picture messages. We support messaging from UK mobile numbers only (which does not include messages sent from landlines, international mobile numbers and some 'number masking' mobile apps). Prevent the school nurse from sending messages to you by texting STOP to our number. Please respect your schools mobile phone policy. Messages are charged at your usual rate.

# Weekly Spelling Challenge

## Parents vs Pupils

Learn the next ten spellings from the



### SPELLING CHALLENGE

21. **im**mediately
22. inde**pend**ent
23. main**ten**ance
24. min**ute**
25. ne**cess**ary
26. ne**igh**bour
27. o**cc**asion
28. o**pp**osite
29. pa**ral**lel
30. po**ss**ession

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 ([morrisc@broughtonhigh.co.uk](mailto:morrisc@broughtonhigh.co.uk)).



**Which five  
flags  
are wrong?**



<b>Republic of Ireland</b>	<b>France</b>	<b>Argentina</b>	<b>Gabon</b>	<b>Brazil</b>
<b>Bulgaria</b>	<b>Italy</b>	<b>Russia</b>	<b>Netherlands</b>	<b>India</b>
<b>Poland</b>	<b>Jordan</b>	<b>Palestine</b>	<b>Romania</b>	<b>Somalia</b>
<b>Thailand</b>	<b>Bahrain</b>	<b>Qatar</b>	<b>Panama</b>	<b>Australia</b>

# Answers

**Did you find all five flags which were wrong?**



<b>Ivory Coast</b>	<b>France</b>	<b>Argentina</b>	<b>Gabon</b>	<b>Brazil</b>
<b>Bulgaria</b>	<b>Italy</b>	<b>Russia</b>	<b>Netherlands</b>	<b>Niger</b>
<b>Indonesia</b>	<b>Jordan</b>	<b>Palestine</b>	<b>Chad</b>	<b>Somalia</b>
<b>Costa Rica</b>	<b>Bahrain</b>	<b>Qatar</b>	<b>Panama</b>	<b>Australia</b>