



Dinnington High School Newsletter

Head's Lines

Welcome to our first newsletter for our virtual Dinnington High School. We aim to keep you connected and give some glimpses into DHS on line.

Welcome and thanks to our extended staff team across the area — parents, carers, grandparents, older siblings. You are clearly doing a cracking job of keeping DHS students learning and busy. Thanks to those of you who have also suggested tweaks and improvements as we learn to do it differently.

Huge thanks to the dedicated DHS staff who have been hard at work uploading lessons and resources as well as setting work on Show My Homework and answering emails. And a special shout out to Mrs Quigley who has been sorting IT problems as quickly as she can.

Biggest thanks for our students who are determinedly continuing your learning. We have been impressed by your hard work, and I know tutors and teachers have enjoyed the messages you have sent.

We appreciate that everyone is feeling a bit fed up and frustrated having to stay at home nearly all the time. However, if any group of folk can make the best of it, it is the inimitable #TeamDInno.

Let's keep our school alive and well. We may be physically separated but electronically we are still connected and we can find new ways of being our best selves.

Ms Staples

Joke from Alfie (Y12)

I said to the gym instructor, "Can you help me do the splits?"

He said, "How flexible are you?"

"I can't make Tuesdays," I replied.

Achieving Excellence



An incredible biro drawing completed at home by Megan Bunfield, Y12

From Mrs Micklethwaite

English teacher, Mrs Micklethwaite has been stuck indoors longer than most and had to miss Y11's last day.

"I'd like to praise our students who emailed me to check I'm OK. I was very touched to have some lovely messages including some from Y11 as I missed their last day."

Thank you DHS students.

Show My Homework, Mr Cooper

More than 500 students have logged on this week, averaging 350 per day. Allowing for Y11 & Y13 now using this less, we know at least another 250 could log on.

480 parents are also now signed up. If you are still stuck, email me for guidance: m.cooper@dinningtonhigh.co.uk.

Memrise in MFL, Mrs Oliver

The top Memrise performers for Mrs Oliver Head of MFL this week were:

Riley B, Y8 with 37,000 points

Luca D, Y8 with 26,000 points

Sophie W, Y10 with 19,000 points

We look forward to seeing who the top three will be next week!

The Toilet Roll Challenge

The PE dept have set the national toilet roll challenge rolling along across DHS. Liam was the first student to let Mrs Beardshall know he had completed the challenge. How many can you do?

Check Twitter out for great edits from Y11 & Y10 boys, Y9 girls and the Zoflora crew.



#StayAtHomeChallenge

#IMInside

#StaySafe

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Rewards Update

Mr Grenham



The Golden Ticket has gone virtual.

Staff have been sending Mr Grenham virtual golden tickets all week. "I have had more on line than I get in a normal week in school, I'm so impressed!"

To recognise the extra effort, Mr Grenham dug deeper into his rewards budget and added some extras so he could randomly select more winners this week. So this week's lucky draw winners will be getting their Love to Shop vouchers through the post. They were:

Winners of the top £10 vouchers

Rhianna-Lea B	Y7
Glen W	Y10
Ella C	Y8
Amgad L	Y7

Winners of the £5 vouchers

Alfie R	9
Summer N	9
Paris S	10
Gracie W	10
Mitchell S	7
Harvey W	10

There were nominations for Y12 too Ellie-Mae and Saschian won a voucher and a Caught Been Amazing postcard:



Keep impressing your teachers. Mr Grenham does the draw on Thursdays so plenty of time to try your best.

Art at Home

There are lots of art activities on the Student Gateway for students.

Mrs Short was impressed by this collection of work produce by Millie Wallhead, Y12.

And if you fancy something different. Try



cartoon drawing with Sheffield's own famous artist Pete McKee on YouTube.



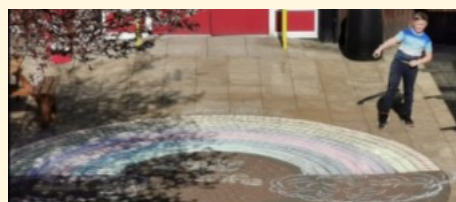
Goodbye to Year 11 after our special leaver's assembly Friday 20th March. We heard Neve and Holly sing, had some fun with Miss Neal's & Mr Rhodes' alternative quiz, and enjoyed watching Miss Abdulkarim's dance troupe with a difference. Thanks to Mr Devonport for the photo.

Highlights from Staff

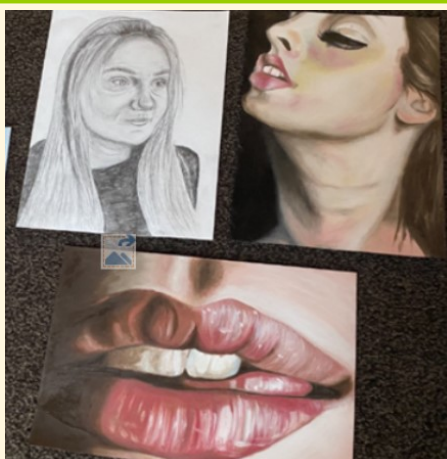
Mr Warnes was delighted to receive photos of maths work in books to prove students were still learning.

Molly M and Jessica A are neck and neck for the most hours spent on Seneca for Dr Graves in one Y10 class, while Katie A, Nicole T and Jake S are the leaders in her other Y10 class. Charlotte B was quickest to the finishing line, returning work in less than two hours of it being set.

All the staff who've worked with Key Workers' children who are coming to school have been impressed by their efforts. They've done Joe Wicks' workouts, David Walliams Elevenses stories at 11 am, various sports, board games, reading, watched a film AND done their work off SMHW. This is Bailey's #RainbowsofHope



Want to help our NHS staff? Our data manager, Mrs Senior, is fundraising to get Bodyshop handcream to those on the front line. Reduced to just £3 per tube. If you want to donate, email her on m.senior@dinningtonhigh.co.uk. Over 190 tubes have been donated so far.



Hegarty Maths with Mr Sinclair

"There were some impressive students on Hegarty this week and some great statistics, but we think we can beat this in week 2," Mr Sinclair told us.

Our top performers from each class are listed below:

Year 7

Tailor S, Oscar B, Olivia A, Mitchell H, Jasmine E, Madison W, Evie K, Dominic G

Year 8

Thomas A, Riley B, Mia S-J, Bianca T, Riley B-N, Rio H

Year 9

Tamsin E, Georgia F, Isabella M, Charlie R, Fearne A, Bethany R, Summer R, Olivia J

Year 10

Thomas E, Aleisha F, Grace S, Mollie G, Joe M, Imogen N, Emma S

Collectively students have watched 46 hours of videos. They have answered 17,236 questions, while doing 363 hours of learning.

"We can do even better," said Mr Sinclair.

If you are struggling with Hegarty access, email Mr Sinclair on a.sinclair@dinningtonhigh.co.uk.

Free School Meals

We sent out 173 supermarket vouchers as soon as we closed school to students who are signed up for Free School Meals. The next set will be sent out near the end of the Easter holidays; this time from Aldi.

If you think you are missing out, find out more about signing up for Free School Meals here:

<https://www.rotherham.gov.uk/benefits/apply-free-school-meals/1>

