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Week 25

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And.... Rest!!

Despite this half term being the shortest of the year, we have certainly packed a lot in to it. It actually seems a long time ago that all our students were working remotely from home, but it is actually just 3 weeks ago. It has been wonderful to bring the whole school community back together, and not surprisingly everyone has settled in to the routine very well and it's almost like we had never been away.

I must give real credit to all the students and staff for the way they dealt with the mass testing. This was not an easy thing and there was certainly some apprehension from many people about coming back in to a community with lots of people, when for the previous 3 months people had been avoiding each other. Because of our collective vigilance and adhering to protocols, we have had very few positive cases and when they have occurred, we have been able to very quickly identify close contacts and make appropriate arrangements. Please do keep up the testing regime at home and report results through the school website link, as this is important in keeping us all safe during the coming months.

You will not be surprised that lessons have gone very well in the last 3 weeks in school, building upon the knowledge and skills gained during the remote learning phase. Please do be reassured that contrary to what the press and government might be saying, our students are absolutely on track and there is no need for any major catch-up plan.

As we know, our year 11 and 13 students have a lot on their plates at the moment, preparing for their final assessments after Easter, but we are all confident they will do an excellent job and we are looking forward to some outstanding results in the summer. For other students, my honest suggestion for the next 2 weeks will be to have a proper break. There has been so much going on in the last year that I do think we are all in need of hopefully some nice weather to get some fresh air and then time to enjoy being together as families without the pressure of studying from home.

Given that it is Easter after all, I think we are all allowed a slightly more generous allowance of chocolate. At the end of school today, we gave all our students and staff an Easter egg and attached to this letter is a photograph of 2 of our students, Eleanor Morris and Sam Jones delivering some Easter Eggs to the residents of Spen Court Care Home. It was nice to see some happy faces – socially distanced of course.

My very best wishes to you all, and thank you once again for your ongoing tremendous support.

Peter Roberts





YEAR 8 DESIGN COMPETITION

Winners

The recent design competition sparked a lot of interest amongst the very talented Year 8 cohort.

Judging was made difficult by the wide range of excellent entries which were submitted in response to a selection of design briefs:

1. Repurposed cardboard packaging
2. Design your own superhero
3. Design a new Star Wars vehicle
4. Happy food

In completing the project, students were able to demonstrate their creativity not only in the task itself but also through the format in which they submitted their work.

We received tutorials, hyper-lapse videos, blogs, stop-motion animations and customer reviews! Some students even wowed us with product modelling skills that certainly would look out of place in a GCSE class.

We cannot wait to see what these students are capable of producing over the next three years when they start their GCSE D&T and Food Preparation and Nutrition courses!

Sleepy Hero: Dreamer!

Name: Naheem Geer

Skills: Naheem is very creative and struggles to be best in social situations. In his spare time, she reads more content to inspire. She is very artistic as a Dreamer!

Her ideal idea can be of help a product that can allow instantly go to sleep behind. She keeps this in the garden of her house. She wants her best most of the time.



FINAL PRODUCT

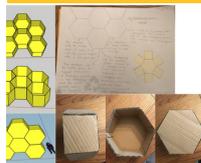


Integrate design on top of the table.

The table is perfectly aligned and flat.

Use a variety of colors (red and green) used for the main body. Variety of colors used (light green/black/green/yellow/black/transparent) to make the table more attractive.

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FIRST PLACE

**ZULAIKHA
AKUDI**



I decided to go for option 4, and I chose a rainbow cake because rainbows are a symbol of peace and happiness, and being around us that have a lot of people of different colors. I chose this symbol as it represents a lot of people and I had more ideas. I was a big fighter since before, but I was determined to try. I put in a lot of effort and time into this one. I chose winners, it was hard, and was happy to work on it. I had a lot of ideas, but I had to choose. I was very proud of the outcome and I feel great. I've decided to share the happiness by showing it with my colleagues, who also helped in my decision!

SECOND PLACE

**LIVVI
EAGLETON**

'Nice n Spice' - Spice Rack



What is the function?
The purpose of this 'Nice n Spice' Spice Rack, will be to keep the spices organized and easy to access. It will be made of wood and will have a central column to hold the jars. The shelves will be made of wood and will be able to hold the jars. The rack will be made of wood and will be able to hold the jars. The rack will be made of wood and will be able to hold the jars.

What it will be made from and how?
I will be using wood and I will be using a power drill to make the holes. I will be using a power drill to make the holes. I will be using a power drill to make the holes. I will be using a power drill to make the holes.

Who will my target audience be and why?
My target audience will be all people who love to cook. This is because it is a spice rack and it will be able to hold the jars. It will be able to hold the jars. It will be able to hold the jars. It will be able to hold the jars.

THIRD PLACE

**ERIC
MATHEWS**



JOINT FOURTH

**RACHEL
HOLMES**



JOINT FOURTH

**ELENI
YOU**



HIGHLY COMMENDED

Eva Carey
Eloise Pridham
Miriam Molokwu

Faheed Mehmood
Sadie Leighton
Sophiya Bashir

Saamiyah Sabeel
Annamarie Kaushiva
Zoeya Hamid



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Thanks
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FRIDAY 19 MARCH

INCREDIBLE!

WHAM!

RED
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2021

raised a total of

£1,505

for Red Nose Day 2021.

The money we
raised will help
transform lives
here in the UK and
around the world.

Red Nose Day is an initiative of Comic Relief, a registered charity in England & Wales.
Photo credit: Tom van Scheven.

Thank
You!





HOUSE ART COMPETITION

Closing Date Friday 16 April

House Colour Art Competition

Win Professionally printed cards and points for your house.
Create an artwork based predominantly in your house colours.
The winners will be selected by Mr Roberts.

The winning entry and the runners up will each receive a set of
greeting cards in their own designs.

Submit your digital entry on line by emailing
housecolours@heckgrammar.co.uk or submit the original to the Art
Department marked clearly HOUSE ART COMPETITION

HGS

EVENTS

29
APRIL

Year 10
Parents' Evening

7-17 JUNE

Years 10 & 12
Internal
Exams

23 & 24
JUNE

Open
Evenings

25
JUNE

Inset Training
Day - School
Closed to
Students

28 JUNE -
2 JULY

Years 7 & 9
Internal Exams

29 & 30
JUNE

Year 6
Transition
Evenings.

15 JULY

Year 7
Parents'
Evening.

SUMMER TERM 2021

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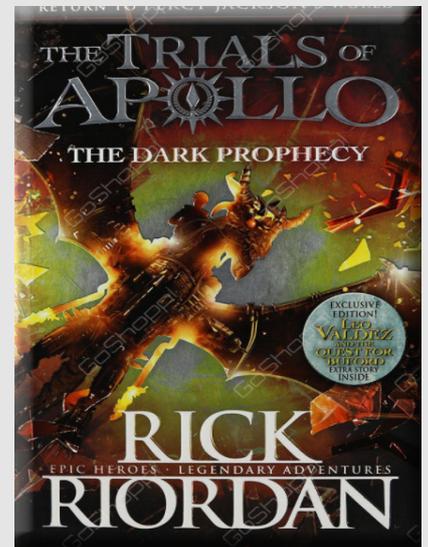
Book Review

Have you read a good book in lockdown?
Would you like tell others about it and share your reasonings behind your recommendation?

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The Trials of Apollo: The Dark Prophecy

The Trials of Apollo: The Dark Prophecy is the second volume of The Trials of Apollo series, which follows the story of Apollo, the Greek god of archery, the sun, healing, plague, prophecies, music, poetry, the truth and light, who is banished from Mount Olympus under the alias of Lester Papadopoulos, a 16-year old flabby teenager with acne. His mission is to free all 5 oracles from Apollo's old nemesis, Python and 3 of the deadliest Roman emperors, one of which is Nero, the emperor known for playing the fiddle while Rome burnt. In this book, he travels to Indianapolis, USA with Leo Valdez, son of Hephaestus, and the sorceress Calypso. They soon find refuge in the Waystation, a magical building where demigods, friendly monsters and Hunters of Artemis usually stay for protection. He also learns the identity of the second emperor, the bloodthirsty Commodus and that they have to free the Dark Oracle of Trophonius.



He manages to turn his 12-year old emotionally awkward master, Meg McCaffrey, back to the good side as she is Nero's step-daughter and had betrayed Apollo in the first book. The best thing about this book, as is with all Rick Riordan books, is the humour and the knowledge it gives about Greek mythology. My favourite part is when Apollo drinks from the springs of Lethe and Mnemosyne before entering the cave of Trophonius. I like this part because Apollo, who is a pretty scared character, loses his senses and starts laughing at even the smallest of things. This shows an unexpected change in the character, which is unfortunately temporary. I think Rick Riordan has really outdone himself with this book and it has been a true pleasure reading it.

Review by Shivank Tiwari form 7H1

Maximum Ride- The angel experiment by James Patterson

The Angel Experiment is the first of ten books in the Maximum Ride series. It's about 6 kids (the "Flock") who are human-avian hybrids (98% human, 2% bird). These amazing kids have been experimented on as children in a place they call the "School", before they managed to escape, giving them amazing powers and each a set of wings. Now, they are on the run from Erasers, half-human, half-wolf, who are after the Flock. Now Max, Fang, Iggy, Nudge, Gazzy and Angel need to use their extraordinary abilities to prevent Ari- the leader of the Erasers- from taking them back to the School, where they will be perpetually tested and experimented on.

I would recommend this book to anybody who loves to read Science Fiction and Adventure books. I would definitely rate this book five stars!

Husaina Lokhandwala 7B1 7.1



COVID - 19 TEST

Reminder to those who have consented

Covid testing is to continue during the school holidays on Sunday/Monday & Wednesday/Thursday - please report in the usual way.

JUNIOR BAKE OFF

...IS LOOKING FOR THE UK'S BEST YOUNG BAKERS AGED 9 - 15

WWW.APPLYFORJUNIORBAKEOFF.CO.UK

APPLICATIONS CLOSE SUNDAY 28TH MARCH 2021

Enquiries: applyforjuniorbakeoff@loveproductions.co.uk

PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

COMPETITION BRIEF: SHOW US ENDLESS TWILIGHT

We are looking for an image inspired by 'dusk or dawn' which captures the true magic and mystery of an endless twilight transitioning from day through to night.

From the magic and allure of a deserted landscape to a bustling streets/city scene, get creative at the most spectacular time of day.

The competition is open to students in Years 9-11.

Winners work will be displayed at our end of year show CREATE in June.

DEADLINE DATE
Friday 16th April 2021
12pm

SHORTLISTING DATE
Friday 21st May 2021

Contact schools liaison team for brief, guidelines and entry form, email schoolsliason@kirkleescollege.ac.uk or visit our website www.kirkleescollege.ac.uk

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