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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome once again to our weekly update. I hope this letter finds you all safe and well

Results Days 2021:

All Year 13 and Year 11 should receive a letter in the next few days outlining our arrangements for results days. We have also attached a useful information sheet explaining how grades have been arrived at and answers to some frequently asked questions. We hope this is useful to you.,
A level results for Year 13 students are on August 10 and GCSE pupils will receive theirs two days later on August 12.

Sixth Form Applicants:

Please keep a look out over the next week on our social media for information about a virtual event we are holding for them. This event will cover important aspect of sixth form life and will be live from Wednesday 7th July. There will be an accompanying power-point for further information.

Testing:

As you will know, there has been a recent increase in the cases of covid 19 in the local area. We are keen as a school to ensure that we play our part in the testing and reporting processes that are important for Public Health England to have an accurate picture. Therefore, we are joining with Lancaster City Council in a pilot testing scheme that will run in school from Wednesday next week. We will be sending out a letter to all parents asking for consent for their child to take part in testing: please consider this carefully as it does help in gaining an accurate picture of the rate and spread of the virus.

Assemblies:

Our students have been taking part in Deaf Blind Awareness assemblies this week to mark Deaf Blind Awareness week. The theme this year was how Deaf Employees can help Businesses grow with their unique perspectives on living without sight or hearing. Our assemblies focused upon the understanding of that unique perspective. Deafblindness is far more common than many people realise... around 400,000 people are affected by sight and hearing loss in the UK. That's enough to fill Wembley Stadium nearly five times. We have shared



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stories from people who are affected by deafblindness and we talked about what we can do to raise awareness. <https://deafblind.org.uk/deafblind-awareness-week/>

Science Laboratories:

You may have read in The Guardian that we have been successful in bidding for funding for the refurbishment of four of our Science laboratories. Science are delighted by this as it will bring the facilities into the 21st Century. As charming as some of our old labs are, the new facilities will be a very welcome improvement for students studying Science. We will keep you updated of progress as work starts.

Defibrillator:

We took delivery this week of a defibrillator. Part of the funding was raised by our Sixth Form and North West Ambulance assisted with funding. Peter Bond came into school and gave us a demonstration before handing the defibrillator over to our first aiders. It is reassuring to have it in the building, but we sincerely hope we never have to use it. Many thanks to Peter and NWAS.



Now to our usual well done and news from around the academy.

Science:

Miss Church wanted to say well done to:

"My 9Y2 have just completed their end of topic test and the below have achieved some great results"

French:

Mrs Laird wants to say:

"8yFr1 deserve praise for being consistently on the ball and motivated in French lessons."

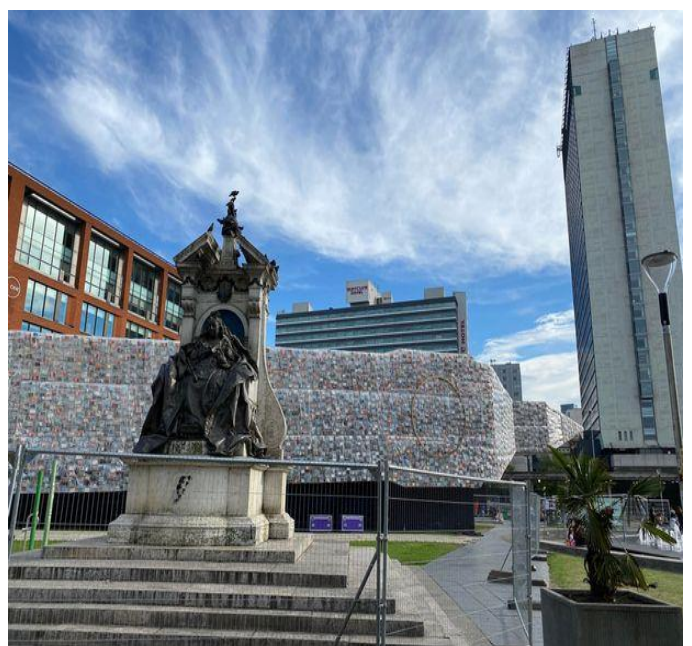
Technology:

Year 7 have had a fantastic time making Fairtrade banana and chocolate Muffins. They certainly look very tasty.



Geography:

The Year 12 Geographers finally managed to get out into the real world on a Field Trip – it feels like life may be returning to normality. Here is a picture of them standing in Piccadilly Gardens in front of the Art installation by Argentinian artist Marta called “Big Ben Lying Down With Political Books.” The artist has said that her art work represents the changing world "Global symbols like Big Ben stand up straight and never change - but the world is always changing."



Art:

Miss Moore's year 7 groups created some excellent cardboard food sculptures for their homework! They have all worked so hard and we are very proud of their outcomes. There were too many pictures to put in this letter, but: a huge well done to Freddie A, Kyia, Jack N, Jorja, Lucy D, Thomas, Oliver S and Katie D



Maths:

Well done to Saheefah (Y7) for clocking up the most hours on Hegarty Maths this year. Congratulations to Jacob (Y7) for answering the most questions this year. They both also hold the record for the most correct answers!

Hegarty Maths is an interactive web-based resource where pupils watch video explanations of Maths topics and complete tasks, both for themselves and for their teacher. Their teacher can see how they have done, how many times they have watched the support video and give individual feedback on questions they have attempted. Your child can flag any questions they are stuck on for their teacher to check. It is also just one click to request that their password is reset by a member of the Maths team.

Once your child is regularly using Hegarty Maths they can access two types of personalised practice alongside work their teacher has set. Fix Up 5 gives them 5 questions on a topic they have struggled on (along with help videos) to help them improve. Memri offers questions on topics they have successfully mastered to keep those skills.

Please do have a look with your child and I hope you find it useful.

Dr Carr and the Maths team

Windsor Horse Show

Charles in Year 7 is competing in the Royal Windsor Horse show this weekend & riding in front of the Queen – Wow, what an amazing achievement. We have asked Mum to take photo's so we can put this in bulletin next week. He will be youngest team member as has been put in at last minute in place of his Sister Jessica in Year 9 who cannot compete now as she is isolating. His event is the triathlon – so the very best of luck to him and Ruby his horse

Finally, I would like to wish you all a good weekend and hopefully we will have something to celebrate after England's match on Saturday evening – Good Luck England!

Kind Regards

Mrs H McClurg (Principal)