

Year 9 Student Update



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Year Team update

Hi to everyone in Year 9.

I hope you are all safe and well and keeping busy. You may be out of sight but you are certainly not out of mind and all the staff are working really hard to provide you with the best education we can while you are not in school. I have found it hard not seeing my friends and family and can only imagine how difficult that has been for you all. I am learning new ways to keep in touch with everyone; some of you know I am not brilliant with social media technology ! I hope you are managing to keep in touch with your friends and are not falling out with each other over Snapchat!

I have managed a bit of DIY over the Easter holiday and redecorated my hallway. We are super keen to hear about what you have been up to – has anyone learned a new skill or discovered an amazing new talent? I have heard from parents and carers so I know that some of you are learning new musical instruments; that will be something for Gabriel to put in the talent show that I know he is desperate to arrange for when we return to school.

Keep a lookout for the next newsletter, we will be sending one every two weeks, and please let us know what you are up to.

Stay safe and keep smiling. Mrs Devine

The Tutor Group Challenge

Best entries for the challenge that was set by Ms McManus for tutors: Take a photo while out exercising.

A set of excellent efforts by your tutors. The winning rosette for this update is awarded to 9.5 Well done to Mr Waine - your tutor group is sure to be proud of you!

9.1 Grazing cows.



9.4

Escaping cow through the hedges!

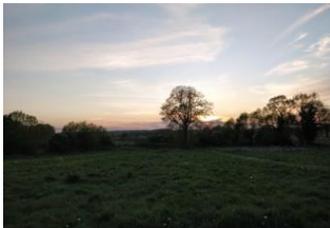


9.7 "Please don't jump in!"



9.2

Beautiful sunset.



9.5 Excited but maybe broken dog!



9.8 Empty M6 at rush hour!



9.3

Exploring!



9.6

Celebrating unicorn day in style.



9.9

Cute fox cub.



Challenge for the next update, set by Mrs Devine.

Send a photo of your best NHS rainbow. It does not have to be a picture, you can make it out of cake, things from around the house or garden anything you like. Submit entries on Firefly to your tutor.

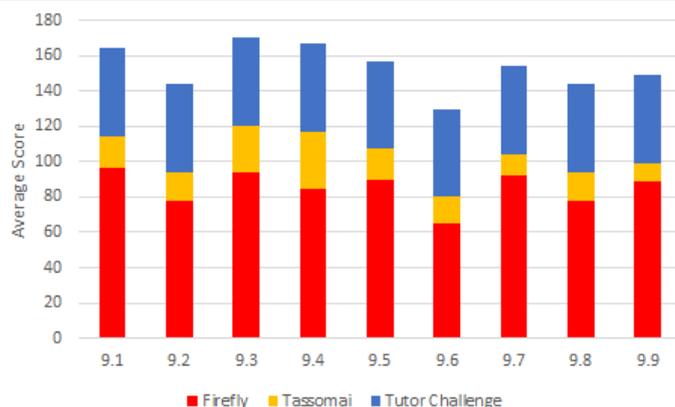
Tutor groups leader board

No point have been awarded yet.

This is to show you what the leader board will look like.

Points are awarded for Tassomai, the tutor group challenge and completion of Firefly work.

There is everything to play for!



Current Affairs

VE Day: Friday 8 May marks the 75th anniversary of VE Day. VE Day - or 'Victory in Europe Day' – celebrates the end of World War Two (WW2) when fighting against Nazi Germany in Europe came to an end. On 8 May 1945, Prime Minister Winston Churchill made an announcement on the radio at 3pm that the war in Europe had come to an end, following Germany's surrender the day before. For VE activities on Facebook click [here](#).

Mental Health and Well-Being

It is hard to feel good and happy all the time, especially now, when you can't see family and friends as you used to. **We are all different and we will feel and react differently.** That is fine! What is important is that we **know we can get help** if we need it. Have a look on your Firefly page and on the Caludon website where there is now a dedicated section about all this. Maybe you have some **top tips you want to let your tutor know about** that we could share as ideas to help all our well-being?

For now, **check out some of the links** below and remember that **having a walk, not having too much screen time and getting quality sleep** all help our mental health and well-being. Take care of yourself and those around you.

[Small things can make a big difference](#) [We all have mental health](#) [Everyday mindfulness](#)

Shout outs If you would like any shout outs in the next update let your tutors or Mrs Duffield know.

9.1- Hi Team! I hope you're OK and learning some dances to teach me when we get back. I've been polishing up my dancing skills. Miss Ivin

9.2- Hi everyone! It was lovely to hear from you. Belated Happy Star Wars Day! Mr Ison-Treglown

9.3- Hi 9.3! Well done for keeping up with your studies and for staying safe and sane! I've been practising my dancing and slang, like you showed me, so prepare to be impressed when I see you next! Mrs Warde

9.4- Hi everyone. Hope you are all well. Ms Welch

9.5- Hi Team! It was good to hear from you lot this week, that you are all okay and being helpful at home. Keep up the good work. Mr Waine

9.6- Hi guys. I hope that you are doing OK. I have been doing TikToks with my oldest even though I have no clue what it's all about! See you all soon. Mrs Duffield

9.7- Hi everyone. I hope you are all ok. I have become more of a crazy dog lady and I'm making him a birthday cake so be prepared for the pictures when we get back. Miss Mallett

9.8- Make the most of this time; family and support. What have you done today that you feel proud of? Be helpful. Mrs Geddes

9.9- Well done to all of 9.9 for your resilience in keeping up with your work. Excellent work! Miss Newton

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