



WEEKLY BULLETIN

Week Ending: 3 April 2020

A FEW WORDS FROM MRS PALEY...

“Resilience is not what happens to you, it’s how you react to, respond to and recover from what happens to you.”

#StaySafe



At the time of writing, the school awaits more information from the Government agency Ofqual about the grade awarding system for GCSEs, vocational subjects and A Levels. We expect to receive this guidance no later than early next week and then more detail can be shared with students, parents and staff.

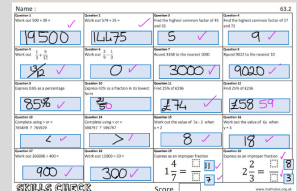
YEAR 7

We hope that you are all well and getting used to this new way of working!

Mrs Munro and Mr Leslie have been so impressed with the quality and detail of work being produced from home. Please see the example of work alongside produced by Ellie Matthews, demonstrating a fantastic use of purple pen and completed to such a high standard.

We hope you all have a well earned Easter break. Stay safe, keep active and try not to eat **too** much chocolate!

Head of Year 7: Mrs L Munro Pastoral Lead: Mr M Leslie



YEAR 8

A huge well done to Year 8 this week for having worked exceptionally hard on all their Teams work. Your tutors have all emailed you and look forward to hearing from you each week to see how you’re getting on; please keep an eye on your tutor set team and school email. Tutors are also checking in with parents weekly, so please let us know if there is anything we can do to further support. As we break up for Easter, we hope that you are safe and well.

Audible are offering free books to stream <https://stories.audible.com/start-listen> which is an activity you might wish to do over the break!

Head of Year 8: Miss L Hughes Achievement Coordinator: Miss I Ridley



YEAR 9

Over the last week, Year 9 have continued to develop their independence when accessing online work. They have risen to this new challenge with great enthusiasm during an undoubtedly uncertain time. We are incredibly proud of how proactive and positive students have been whilst having to self-motivate and build new routines at home.

The Year 9 team would also like to say a huge thank you for all the parental support which, whilst always invaluable, is even more so right now. We hope you all have a well earned rest over the Easter break and enjoy lots of family time. Stay safe.

Head of Year 9: Miss N Ward Achievement Coordinator: Miss B Marshall



YEAR 10

Year 10’s response to working from home has been amazing! There are so many examples of students responding to work on Teams, emailing staff with updates and taking responsibility for their learning in such a mature way; Mr Mordue and Miss Sheldon have been incredibly impressed by the overwhelming positivity.

We are still trying to prepare for Year 11 as normally as possible so please continue to send your tie designs directly to Mr Mordue (dmordue@toothillschool.co.uk) as we would like to differentiate ourselves from the rest of the school if at all possible. After Easter students also need to keep checking their emails as we will be launching applications to be a prefect. This process won’t be as straightforward as it has been in previous years for obvious reasons, however we will still be pushing forward with a modified process.

Mr Mordue’s favourite piece of news this week has been that so many Year 10s have been actively engaged with reading for pleasure whilst working from home. Well done to all students who have picked up a book. Happy Easter to all!

Head of Year 10: Mr D Mordue Achievement Coordinator: Miss I Sheldon



YEAR 11

It has been wonderful hearing about the amount of communication taking place between tutors, parents/carers and students whilst school is closed.

Year 11 have been doing some fantastic work on Teams and tutors have also really enjoyed hearing what their tutees have been taking up as hobbies and how they are spending their time. We are currently collating a list of destinations for your child next year; if your child has not yet advised the school where they are going and the course that they are studying, please could this information be emailed to Miss Hall. Wishing you a restful Easter break; stay well and safe.

Head of Year 11: Miss V Salt Achievement Coordinator: Miss A Hall



Please note:

As of 3:30 pm on Friday 3 April 2020, INSIGHT will no longer be accessible for parents and students. This is to allow a new system to be released called 'My Child At School (MCAS)', which all schools in the Nova Education Trust are switching to. Further guidance on how to access the new system and when it will be rolled out will be announced shortly

Just a reminder for everyone to have a complete break from studies during the Easter Holidays

Please take this time to relax, enjoy family time and to stay safe.