



Acclaim

Be positive, Be respectful, Be your best

Kesgrave High School December 2020

Head Start

Welcome to my first, termly newsletter, Acclaim. My intention in this is capturing a flavour of what has been going on around school, examples of our pride in our young people, hopefully giving you an insight into what students get up to with us when they leave your homes. My first edition is a relatively short one, but I suspect that future editions will be even longer.

As we reach the end of an extraordinary year, I write with a sense of pride for the students of Kesgrave High School. After the strangest of summers, absence from the building and uncertainty as to what would lie ahead, they have returned to school with energy and determination. I know that through these last six months we have all learnt a great deal about ourselves, what truly matters and in a school context, how we learn best. Whilst the school environment has some constraints, we have all realised why we love being in school, in order to connect with each other face to face. Schools are empty shells without young people in them and whilst we might not like having to stay at the front of the classroom, our teachers are relieved to be working with students in a classroom, experiencing the richness that this brings.

As I reflect at the end of my first term at Kesgrave High School I am struck by the positive relationships between students and teachers, the desire to grow and achieve by our students and the dedication to improving the lives of young people by all who work within the school.

I wish all those connected with our school community a peaceful and loving Christmas and hopes for a brighter 2021.

Julia Upton

Student leadership team

At the start of this academic year we went through our usual process of selection of prefects, senior prefects and Head Girl and Boy and Deputies. As ever, there was an incredibly strong field of students, all of whom have made an excellent contribution to the school thus far and who would be superb role models for others. Congratulations to all who went through the interview process; they can all be proud of their achievements. The following students were selected:

Head Girl and Boy: Chloe Waters and Luke Bayford

Deputies: Jessica Dorsett and Scarlett Perry, Ethan Banna and Max Johns



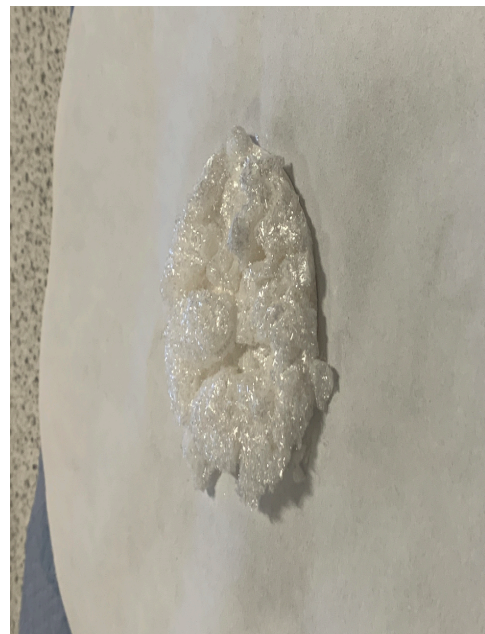
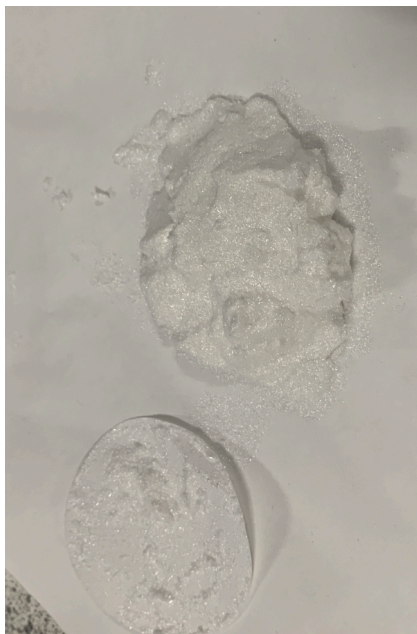
Lest we forget

Ordinarily, our students would visit All Saints Church to take part in the local Remembrance service, to remember the fallen. This year, our students took part in the recorded service, which was then shared across the local community. In the absence of full assemblies in the hall we have all been recording our assemblies for delivering in form rooms, virtually. It was through this medium that on 11 November 2020 at 11.00am, the whole school stopped to pay their respects for those who have given their lives for the freedoms we cherish today. Meanwhile, our Head Boy and Girl, Luke Byford and Chloe Waters, laid a wreath of remembrance on behalf of our school community, at Kesgrave War Memorial. Thank you to Jack Robinson (Year 7), Jude Tait and Lewis Richer



Chemistry action

This term Year 13 chemists made some aspirin as one of their required practicals. They used unfamiliar pieces of apparatus and had to learn new practical techniques, such as filtering under a vacuum and testing the melting point of their product to assess its purity. This gave the students a flavour of pharmacy and an application of the organic chemistry that they have learnt. Safety is a big part of their practical competencies and so we could not try out their aspirin – much to their disappointment. However, we all agreed they were some of the prettiest crystals. Miss Hartill and the Year 13 chemists.

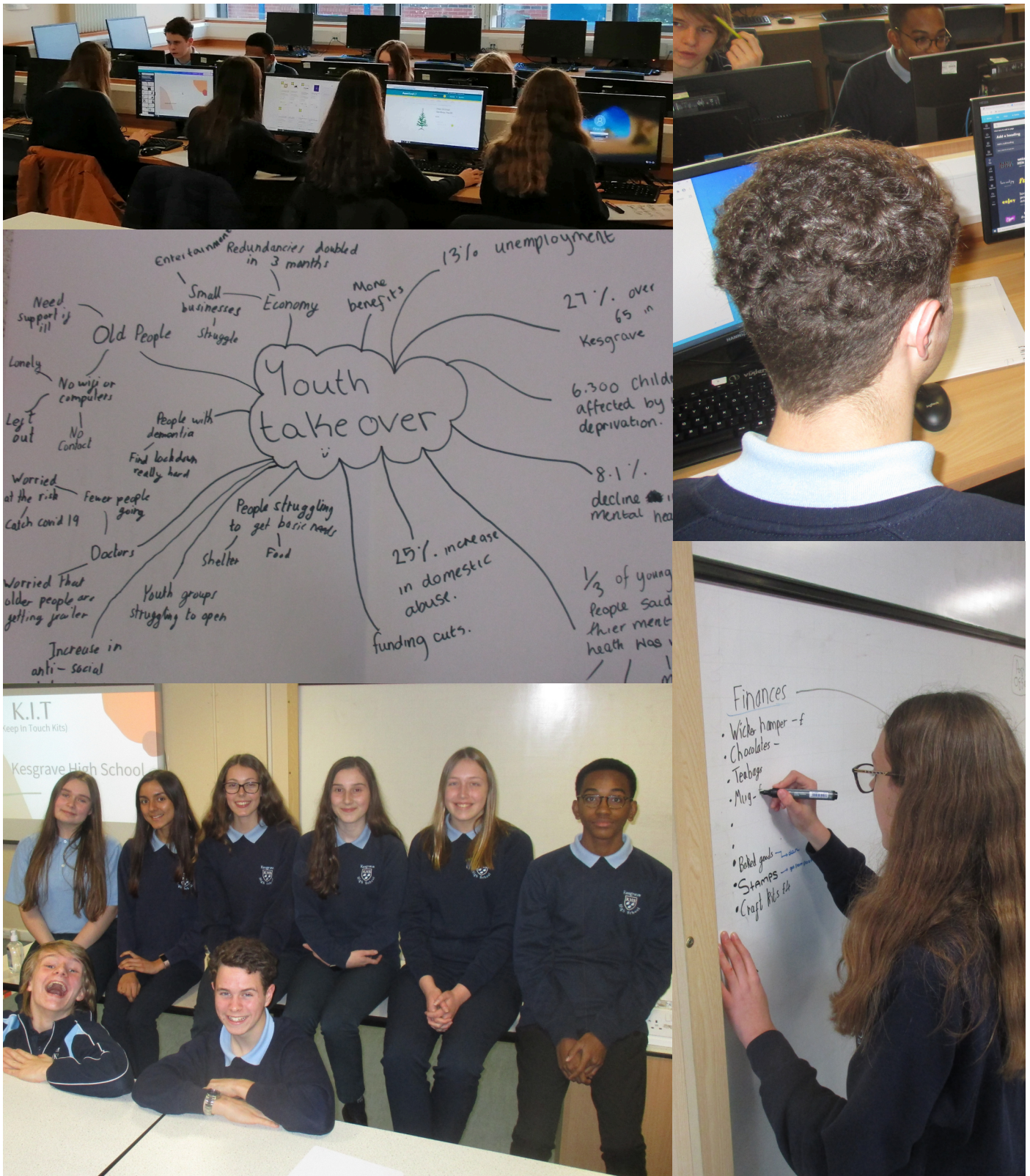


Youth Takeover Event

On Friday 20 November, eight students from Year 10 took part in an event arranged by the Communities Team of East Suffolk Council. As part of the day, the team had to 'pitch' for funding for a project to help reduce social isolation with our community. They successfully gained the grant to deliver a Keep In Touch (KIT) pack to members of the community in 2021.

One of the judging panel, Peter Aldous (MP for Waveney) wrote to the students to congratulate them on their teamwork saying 'The KIT project was a great idea and will bring comfort and reassurance to a lot of people in these difficult times.'

Congratulations to Amber Rippeth, Daisy Linassi, Amy Jennis, Poppy Brown, Abigail Terry, Rhys Hope, Oscar Munday and Benjamin Woodley.



Autumn Achievers

There are a myriad of ways in which we acknowledge the hard work of our students. Through our 3Bs students are awarded achievement points for being their BEST, being RESPECTFUL and being POSITIVE. Alongside this students can be awarded points for good or extraordinary work, community action or indeed extra-curricular engagement. In a review at the end of the first term, congratulations to the following students, the top 50 in each group.

Year 7

Jenna	Baker
Ethan	Rawlings
Riagan	Huq
Jasmine	Saxton
Sofia	Kazi
Hannah	Read
Esther	Andrews
Kayleigh	Page
Corey	Minchin
Milo	Wade
George	Ruddy
Lucy	Jennis
Emily	Hawes
Ayush	Arora
Isla	Wheatley
Daniel	Thompson
Greisi	Muhaj
Hannah	Squire
Orla	Brown
Lily	Trill
Isla	Farrow
Hazel	Akers
Mei	Du
Sophie	Ringland
Ruby	Mathias
Philippa	Gibbons
Micah	Tate
Tallula	Millett
Kian	Minchin
Jay	Mahajan
Beau	Newman
Edith	Walkling
Keira	Avery
Callum	Crabb
Diako	Korbani
Benjamin	Wan
Hettie	Newton
Lily	Soar
Joshua	Hennon
Caitlyn	Wildon
Joseph	Potten Risby
Zachary	Gleen
A'Maya	Leparvlo
Amelia	Myers
Matti	Goffin
Matthew	Pearce
Isabel	Williamson
Charles	Ruddell
Jack	Robinson
Jake	Severwright

Year 8

Daniel	Osborne
Isabella	Rice
Mia	Bobusic
Ayton	Kilfoyle
Tyler	Page
Louis	Hood
Matthew	Peck
Oscar	Parkin
Ethan	Child
Milo	Hunt
Annabel	Race
Florence	McKay
Harry	Read
Molly	Clarke
Benjamin	Caley
Jack	Clarke
Olevir	Frith
Fenella	Noble
Zoe	Wildon
Samuel	Squire
Finley	Brooks
Amit	Gonen
Harry	Sawyer
Hira	Lacin
Lilac	Gillings
Harrison	Arch
Mia	Ravenhill-Brown
Maria-Luisa	Catania
Daniel	Flewitt
Panagiota	Georgalas
Andrew	McCormick
Katie	Christison
Madeline	Swan
George	Whinney
Edward	Willoughby
Isla	Groom
Ella	Tyler
Antony	Brown
Joshua	Harding
Holly	Cant
Jacob	West
Imogen	Oldman
William	Shaw
Reece	Summerhill
Tyreece	Wells
Amelia	Downing
Stephanie	House
Samuel	Leyton
Amelie	Ames
Billy	Reynolds

Year 9

Bethany	Wildon
Harrison	Green
Honey	Black
Finley	Read
Faye	Chappels
Abigail	Gleen
Charles	Finbow
Teagan	Hines
Malachi	Eldridge
Thomas	Argeles-Stuart
Annika	Bilchev
Poppy	Manson
Enzo	Johnson
Lauren	Reavell
Mario	Salter
Sofia	Day
Yanis	Kerampran
Charlie	Parr
Khadeega	Modawi
James	Fidler
Amelia	Swann
Nyasha	John
Joshua	Makings
Logan	Reynolds
Eleanor	Stewart
Ellie	Freeth
Danica	Wright
Rose	Ahmed
Ilaria	D'Angelo
Ariana	Solovjova
Adam	Smith
Harry	Sharman
Lacey	Jones
Kia	Smy
Rhys	Carr
William	Finbow
Reggie	Steward
Owen	Albins
Hope	Robinson
Chloe-Marie	Coates
Callum	Dakin
Alice	Day
Abdullah	Kose
Alexandra	Neamtu
Jessica	Wickens
Scarlett	Woodhill
Hayden	Bull
Sybrand	Brink
Lester	Hunt
Amy	Gibson

Autumn Achievers

Year 10

Chloe	Theobald
Benjamin	Batho
Callum	Hood
Millie	Hamblyn
Elizabeth	West
Benjamin	Woodley
Elise	Allard
Theo	Hume
Abigail	Terry
Kelly	Hoyle
Carmen	Giner
Ellen	Morden
Tarek	El Hussein
Hannah	Burman
Poppy	Brown
Tamzin	Barber
Emily	Pearce
Faye	Levett
Lauren	Squirell
Emma	King
Rhiannon	Evans
Chloe	Veal
Sarah	With
Freya	Wall
Adama	Fobbie
Jessica	Beecroft
Ella	Wendon-Blixrud
Cian	Moore
Mackenzie	Travis
Chloe	Goodchild
Naadirah	Rahim
Ryan	Sharland
Callum	Parker
Noah	Gillings
Hamesh	Rajasingham
Jensen	Harper
Erica	Walkling
Freya	Stokes
Erin	Chappels
Tia	Cole
Kobi	Day
Lucy	Jones
Oscar	Munday
Indea-Rose	Adams
Jake	Foreman
Euan	Kieman
Daisy	Linassi
Calum	Thompson
Erin	Keating
Ella	Nicholls

Year 11

Evie	Barker
Tabitha	Padman
Ethan	Banna
Eva	Asemota
Esme	Clark
Chloe	Walker
Aaliyah	Gill
Jacob	Phelan
Matilda	Creton
Cerys	Hayfield
Oscar	Chapman
Liam	Comforth
Amy-Jane	Page
Leo	Gaeta
Olivia	Manning
Matan	Gonen
Joy	Moore-Smith
Lailah	Toussaint
Harriet	Lait
Maya	Dalliday
Evelina	Padolskyte
Luke	Bayford
Jessica	Dorset
Chloe	Gilbert
George	Taylor
Logan	Boyd
Ruby	Johnson
Emily	Whatley
Helena	Hall
Amelia	Collings
Filip	Vukovic
Daniel	Fray
Ella	Knagg
John-Henry	Redmond
Albany	Sawyer
Jada	Scoulding
Heather	Mostert
Tom	Witmore
Olivia	Hunt
Max	Johns
Ellie	Gargett
Isaac	Holland
Keira	Saunders
Lili	Smith
Samuel	Edwards
Chloe	Griggs
Charita	Joshi
Hollie	Mapplebeck
Abigail	Finch
Sophie	Miles

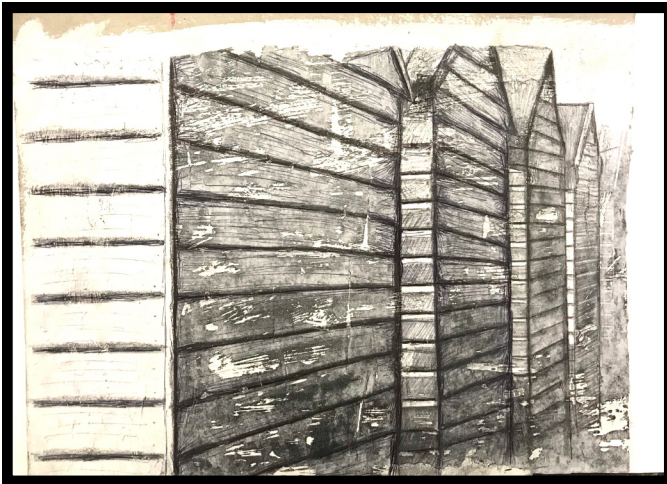
A Level Art



Orla Holland



Lauren Oxborrow



Lana Giner



Beth Roffey

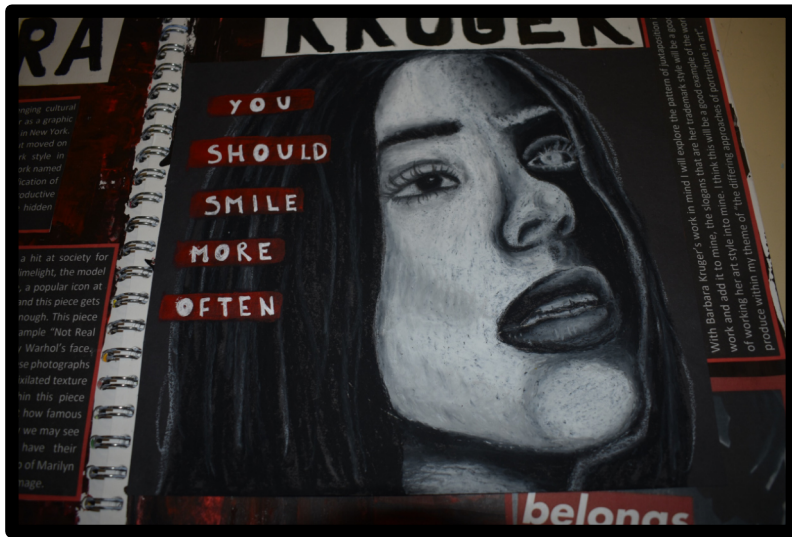


Emily Saunders



Kelsey Parades

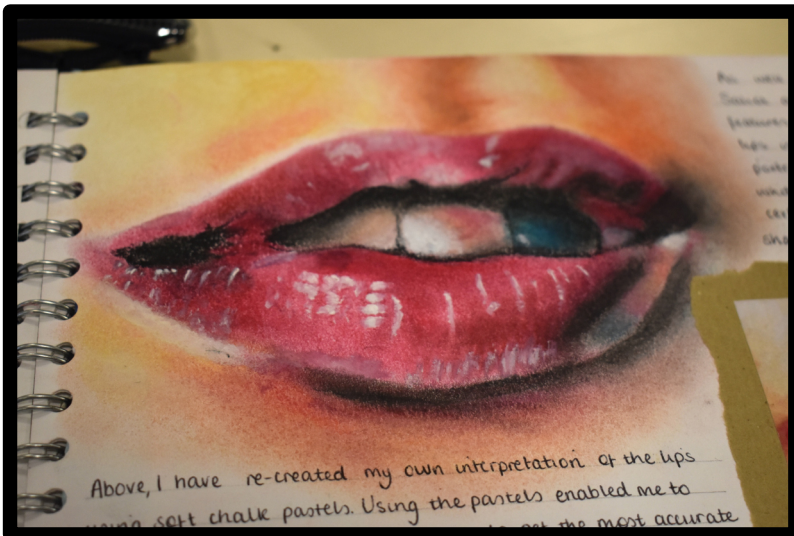
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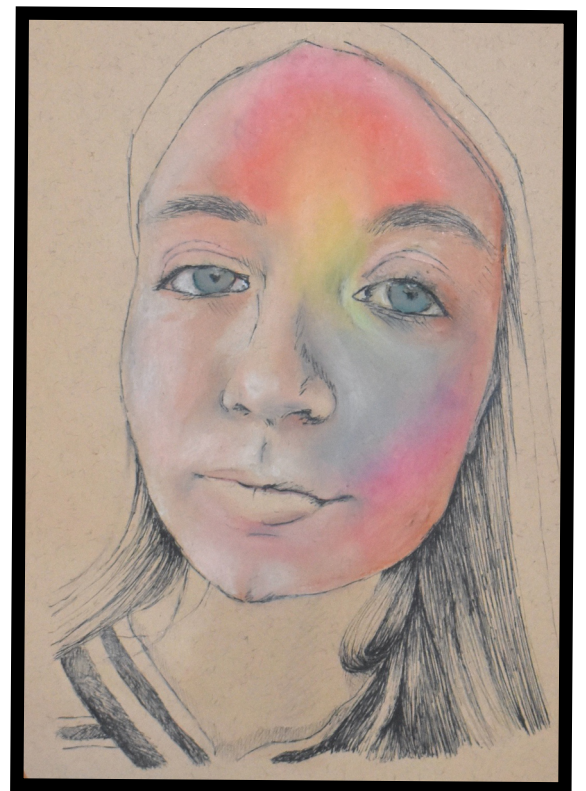
Issy Kirk-Holmes



Amber Hany's



Holly Evans



Becky Shimmon



Eva Williams

Arts Award



This term I have had the pleasure of working with a number of students from Year 7 and 8 on the portfolio-based qualification The Arts Award. This is a range of qualifications that supports students to grow as artists and arts leaders, inspiring them to connect with and take part in the wider arts world through taking challenges in an artistic form. This can be from fashion to digital art, pottery to poetry. So far students have chosen a



wide range of areas from photography, dance and directing, to computer game design, drawing and poetry, plus much more besides.

Through progressing through the levels, young people get to - discover the enjoyment of creating and participating in arts activities; experience arts events; develop creative and communication skills that are essential for success in 21st century life; explore the work of artists and craftspeople and gain insights into the professional arts world; gain experience and knowledge to help progress into further education and employment.

I have been incredibly impressed with the students' tenacity and focus on this new award for Kesgrave High School and we are all hoping to share the new skills learnt later this year.

Miss Jones

Run a marathon challenge

This term the Sixth Form Committee has chosen to raise money for the Jess Grant Celebration Charity. Jess Grant was a much-loved student who died of Osteosarcoma, a rare form of bone cancer, in January 2018 when she was in Year 11. Jess would have been in Year 13 now and this is why the Sixth Form Committee would like to raise money for her charity. Jess loved playing music and her charity provides music therapy to children who have long term illnesses or require additional emotional support.

The Sixth Form are setting a challenge to every student in the school to run a marathon over 12 weeks. This is a huge task, but one that is also achievable. Students will be asked to raise sponsorship for their marathon and the person who raises the most money will receive a £50 voucher of their choice.

The launch of the Run a Marathon Challenge is the Santa Run on Friday 18 December where they can start their journey to running 26 miles. We look forward to seeing lots of participants on this annual fun run, a much-enjoyed tradition of Kesgrave High School life. Further details of the challenge and sponsorship forms have been shared with all students on Firefly. We hope as many students as possible will get involved.

So far the committee has raised £465 and are very much hoping that they can add to this through this challenge.

Cross country

On a hazy afternoon on 22 October, 79 students from Year 7 to 9 turned out in force for the Suffolk Cross Country event. Over 140 schools across the county took part, with over 15,000 runners. Each school had to create a course of a set distance, Year 7: 2400m, Year 8 and Year 9: 3600m. The top 5 boys and girls times were added together to create a team score. As you can see from the tables, we did rather well! Congratulations to all those who took part.

Year 7 leading runners: Matti Goffin, Jack Hope, Hayden Phillips, Ethan Tozer, Ethan Rawlings

Year 7 leading runners: Chloe Swann, Amelia Stephens, Ruby Mathias, Lilia Tuck, Hannah Squire

Year 8/9 leading runners: Ross Hammond, Finley Snowdon, Connor Peck, Nyasha John, Connor Sturch

Year 8/9 leading runners: Lily Burton, Amelia Downing, Sophie Harrington, Suranne Baker, Imogen Oldman



Years 8 /9		
1	Kesgrave	02:26:59
2	Woodbridge School	02:36:22
3	Farlingaye	02:47:06
4	Ipswich Academy	03:00:22
5	Claydon	03:01:07
6	Copleston	03:23:56
7	Ormiston Endeavour	04:10:55

Year 7		
1	Kesgrave	01:38:05
2	Woodbridge School	01:40:17
3	Farlingaye	01:46:22
4	Copleston	01:55:19
5	Claydon	01:56:54
6	Ipswich Academy	02:02:28
7	Ormiston Endeavour	02:25:26



A Level Photography



Rebecca Clack



Courtney Yule



Josh Bayford

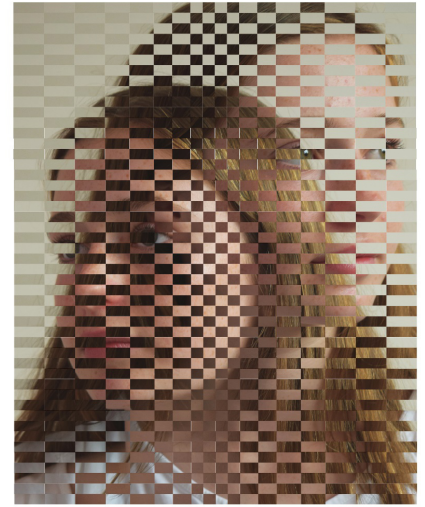
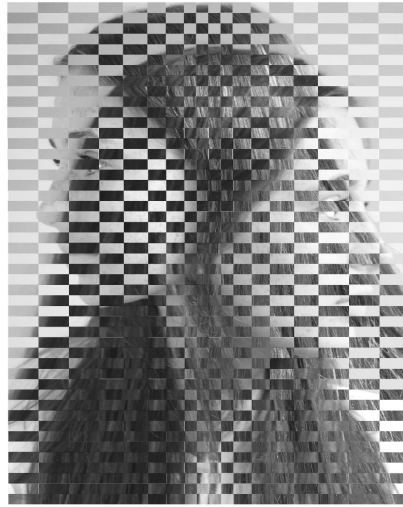
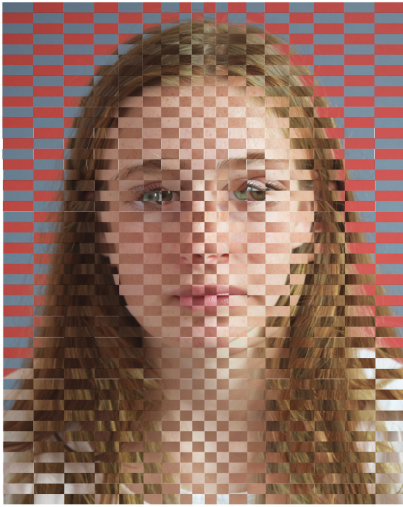


Tarae Gough



Allanah Latham

A Level Photography



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Tomas by
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Jess Ling



Tommy Goodrum

Advent Learning?

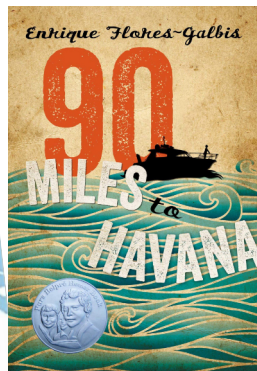
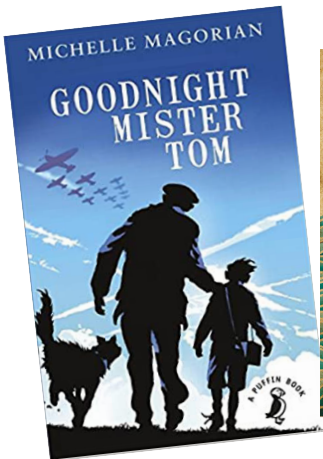
Students in Year 10 have really thrown themselves into their GCSE and BTEC courses. They have returned focused and are already reaping the rewards of their hard work with some excellent grades. Mrs Skinner's English class have given a festive, creative twist to learning their quotes for Jeekyll and Hyde or An Inspector Calls. We just love these "a quote a day" advent calendars.



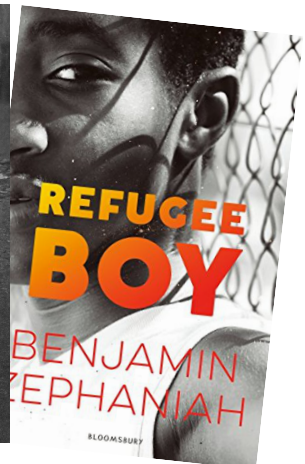
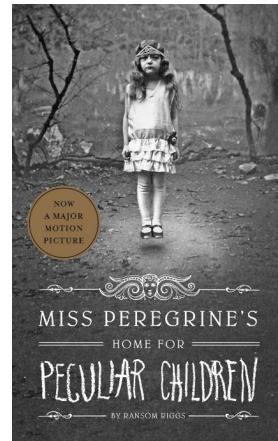
Immersive reading

Students in Year 8 are well underway with their immersive reading unit where the class read at pace to immerse themselves into the world of a book, whilst exploring thematic connections between two novels. This new unit, based on research which identifies the significant gains that can be made from reading in depth, has allowed exploration a broad range of literature; this year introducing ethnically diverse authors that showcase a range of children's literature not only from Britain but from across the globe in connection to some well loved classics

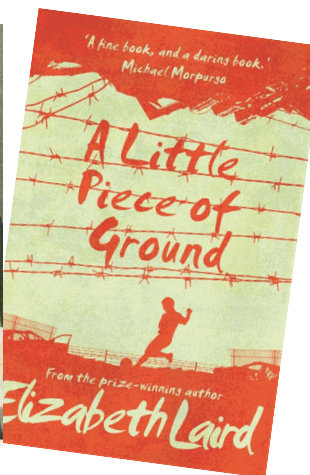
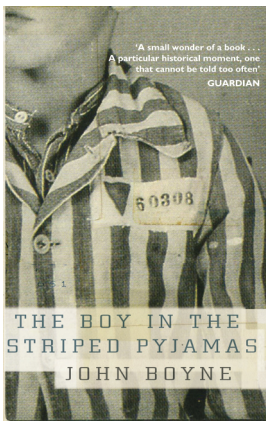
Of course the list of texts also make a great recommended reading list for a Christmas present! Students will be studying any of the following pairings:



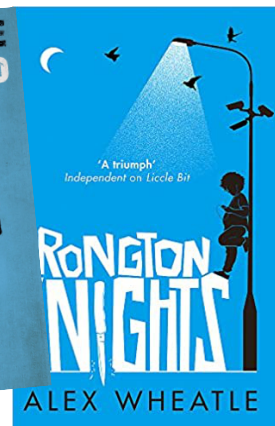
Goodnight Mr Tom by Michelle Magorian and 90 Miles to Havana by Enrique Flores-Galbis (themes of displacement and evacuation during conflict)



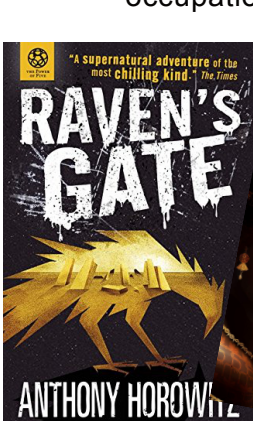
Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children by Ransom Riggs and Refugee Boy by Benjamin Zephaniah (themes of isolation and exclusion from society)



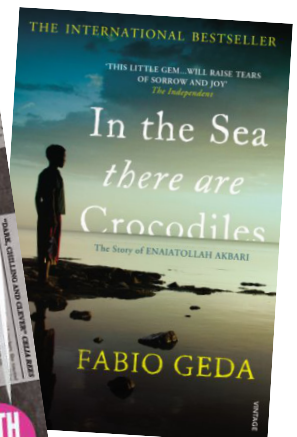
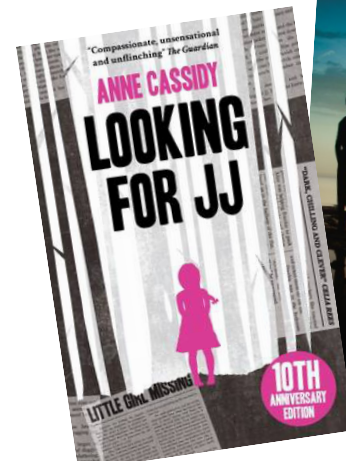
The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas by John Boyne and A Little Piece of Ground by Elizabeth Laird (themes of oppression and occupation during conflict)



Stone Cold by Robert Swindells and Rongton Nights by Alex Wheatle (themes of urban living and injustice)



Raven's Gate by Anthony Horowitz and The Daughters of Nri by Reni K Amayo (themes of magic and adventure)



Looking for JJ by Anne Cassidy and In the Sea There Are Crocodiles by Fabio Geda (themes of identity and survival)

Student Leadership

We are all missing not being able to gather for school assemblies. Celebrating student success and sharing important messages on who we are and what we value just isn't the same remotely. So in those sunny September days we were delighted to be able to gather students outside to recognise our new prefect team. Seated in tutor groups, the weather was kind and students were awarded their badges by their House Leaders. Congratulations to all students who have been appointed to these roles.



Senior Prefects
Patrick Holland
Joseph Stapleton
Ellie Gargett
Maya Dalliday
Esme Clark
Millie Whatley
Arabella Moore-Smith
Harriet Lait
Ella Sheppard
Sophie Chalmers
Emily Green (HU10)
Matan Gonen
Max Johns
Ethan Banna
Samuel Critchley
Finlay Abbott
Luke Bayford
Joe McNeil
Scarlett Perry
Jessica Dorset
Erin Dye
Helena Hall
Annabel Fulcher
Joy Moore-Smith
Olivia Hunt
Chloe Walker
Will Knight



Student Leadership

Prefects

Sophie Connelly
Evelina Padolskyte
Charita Joshi
Natasha Payne
Laura Snelham
Leena Deelawar
Tabitha Padman
Tom Witmore
Amy Page
Holly-Beth Wood
Leera Vitte
Ethan Thackeray
Lili Smith
Megan Powles
Cris Neagu
Harry Martin
Helen Jarrett
Lily Haste
Charlotte Forbes
Jemima Fish
Holly Burton
Finlay Adams



Sixth Form Destinations

Our Year 13 experienced the strange world of Centre Assessed Grades last summer, but it did not make any of their achievement any less worthy or deserved. Students leave our Sixth Form to a range of degree courses and career pathways, having benefitted from the support and guidance that a Sixth Form within a school provides. We pride ourselves on knowing the students well, stretching them academically, whilst also providing a breadth of opportunity and development (as I type, the Sixth Form Team are gearing up for Christmas Karaoke!)

We never managed to say a formal farewell to our Year 13 leavers, we hope that at some point in the future this will be possible, for now we wish them well in their chosen pathways and thank them for some wonderful memories (BT Hothouse and Karaoke pictured). As of September 2020, their pathways were as listed.



Amy	Airey	Lancaster University - Geography	Holly	Cottrell	University of Hertfordshire - BEd Primary Education
Ewan	Alley	Portsmouth University - Computer Science	Josie	Cousins	GAP year - apply to Evolution for Dance course
Rahul	Aneesh	UEA - Mathematics	Megan	Cowan	Working full-time as a chef
Kwame	Asare	Leeds Beckett University - Mental Health Nursing	Erin	Cullingford	University of Bath - Pharmacy
Jake	Atkinson	University of Suffolk - Cyber Security	James	Cutter	Employment
Ellie	Ayden	Suffolk New College - Childcare Course	Leonie	Cutting	Employment
Daniel	Baggott	Accounts Apprentice Assistant - Vertas Ltd	Anna	Davis	University for the Creative Arts - Design for Theatre + Screen
Cameron	Baigrie	Suffolk One + Working as a Lifeguard - Crown Pools	Alice	Davis	University of Bristol - Economics
Millie	Baker	Working at Barretts - Marketing + Online Sales Manager	Charlie	Dawson	Manchester Metropolitan University - Business + Marketing
Ethan	Ball	University of Bristol - Filmmaking 2021	Mia	Dedman-Munro	City, University of London - Criminology + Psychology
Molly	Barker	GAP Year then UCAS 2021	Selden	Dent	Apprenticeship - BT - Network Engineering
Josh	Batte	Employment at Concertus	Holly	Dixey	Suffolk New College - Hairdressing
Brooke	Baxter	BIMM Institute - Popular Music Performance + Songwriting	Tom	Donovan	GAP Year
Louis	Berkeley	University of Nottingham - Computer Science with Year in Industry	Beth	Downey	Employment
Luca	Blackburn	BIMM Institute - Popular Music Performance	Nathan	Dowrick	University of Hull - Sport Rehabilitation
Amber	Bourne-Williams	Foundation Performing Arts Degree - Evolution	Lucy	Driver	Suffolk One - Level 4 Art + Design Foundation
Destiny	Bowen	University of Essex - Psychology	Jess	Duncan	Hairdressing Apprenticeship - Shadows for Hair, Ipswich
Lily	Boyd	UEA - Sociology	Gabriella	Dunn	Teaching Assistant Apprenticeship - Fairfield Primary. UCAS 2021
Verity	Brookes	University of Northampton - International Business	Anna	Elder	Primary Education 2021
Jaydon	Brown	Nottingham Trent University - Economics	Nila	Esteller	App council - project worker
Jacob	Buck	Looking for an Apprenticeship - engineering/architecture	Taylor	Evans	Anglia Ruskin University - Civil Engineering
Harry	Buckle	University of Cambridge - Natural Sciences	Ben	Fernee	Management Course at Boots
AJ	Burrows	Employment	Laura	Fitzgerald	Royal Welsh College of Music + Drama - Flute
Abigail	Burrows-Steward	Employment	Tom	Fitzgerald	GAP Year/Deferred entry - Business Management
Aeryn	Buttolph	Suffolk One - Level 4 Art + Design Foundation	Chloe	Fleming	Unknown
Zia	Carter	Norwich University of the Arts - Animation	Ella	Flory	University of Birmingham - Criminology with a year abroad
Matthew	Casey	Norwich University of Arts - Film + Moving Image Production	Myles	Foster	An apprenticeship - awaiting to hear from Barnes Construction
Katie	Catling	Suffolk University - Mental Health Nursing	Beth	Fox	Employment at Ipswich Hospital
Charlotte	Cavanagh	University of Suffolk - Children's Nursing	Christy	Fraser	Nottingham Trent University - History
Emily	Charlesworth	Worcester - Outdoor Adventure Leadership + Management	Arty	Garfield	GAP Year Then Essex to do Modern Languages in 2021
Laurie	Cherrington	UCAS for 2021	Sophie	Geeson	GAP year - Applying for apprenticeship in Social Work
Hayley	Cheung	Leeds Conservatoire - Music (Film Music)	Adam	Ghoorun	University of Suffolk - Law with Sociology
Alexander	Churcher	Aberystwyth University - Space Science + Robotics	Grace	Gilbert	University of Reading - English Literature
Jemma	Clapson	Suffolk New College - Beauty Course	Tilly	Gillings	Anglia Ruskin University - Child Nursing
Ben	Collins	University of Essex - Sports + Exercise Science (+ placement year)	William	Gledhill	University of Lincoln - Architecture
Chloe	Cooper	GAP Year	Ronan	Good	Apprenticeship
Ellie	Cooper	University of Suffolk - Adult Nursing	Lizzie	Greenhalgh	UEA - Geography
Daisy	Cooper	Employment	Mazen	Haggag	UEA - English Literature with Creative Writing
Sam	Cork	University of Birmingham - Chemistry			

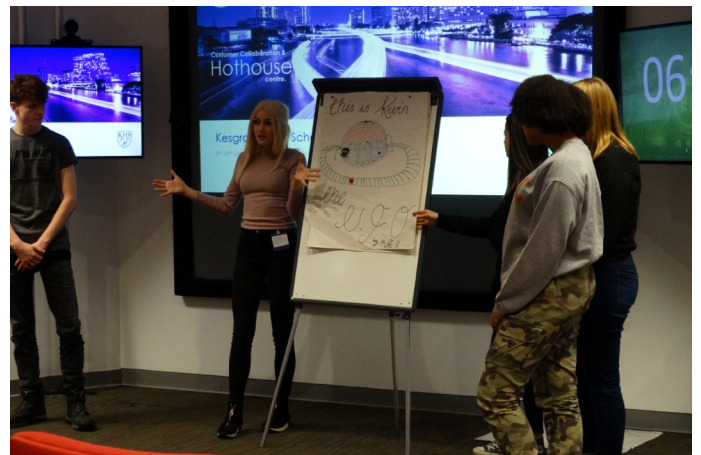


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Max	Hales	Gap Year - UCAS - Economics
Lauren	Hall	Primary Education 2021
Yasmin	Hardwicke	Apprenticeship - Studio Flex Management
Grace	Harman	Royal Northern College of Music - Manchester - Trumpet
Euan	Harris	Apprenticeship with BT - Network Engineer
Mel	Harris	Accepted on Larking Gowen Accountancy Level 4 Apprenticeship
Tom	Haste	Nottingham Trent University - Business Management + Marketing
Macy	Hendin-Walker	University in USA - Tennis Scholarship + Sports Management
Macy	Hessey	University of Suffolk - Criminology
Isabel	Hopson	University of Greenwich - Marketing Management
Kian	Howard	Apprenticeship - Willis
Natalie	Howard	GAP Year - working - deferred UCAS
Joshua	Howe	Nottingham Trent University - Economics with Business
Oscar	Hunt	Nottingham Trent University - Construction Management
Sam	Hunt	UEA - Paramedic Science
Joel	Hurst	Apprenticeship - Ingent Consulting Engineers
Emmanuel	Ifionu	UEA - Economics + Finance
Connor	Jacobs	Employment
Tegan	Jarrett	Employment
Tasha	Jarvis	Film and Drama - 2021
Nathan	Jessop	University of Arts, London - Photojournalism + Documentary Photography
Eddie	Johns	De Montfort University - Business + Management
Matthew	Johnston	Apprenticeship at Roger Balmer Design
Jess	Jones	Lancaster University - Sociology
Alice	Kaplan	University of Birmingham - Social Policy + Criminology + Year Abroad
Erin	King	UEA - Social Work
Eleanor	Knock	University of Oxford - German
Osman	Kose	University of Leeds - Economics
Kieran	Kressig	UEA - Film + TV Studies
Dan	Lait	Apprenticeship at a Building Company
Katie	Lawrence	University of Suffolk - Criminology
Emily	Leech	Foundation Performing Arts Degree - Evolution
Thomas	Leonard	Durham University - Geography
Ray	Lin	University of Oxford - Computer Science
James	Little	Nottingham Trent University - Real Estate
Sam	Manson	GAP Year - applying 2021
Lewis	Martin	BIMM Institute - Music + Sound Production
Benjamin	Mason	York St John University - Law
Hannah	Meredith	University of Suffolk - Social Work
Lewis	Moore	UEA - Paramedic Science
Aaliyah	Munro	Working as a Teaching Assistant at Gorseland Primary School
Andy	Nairn	UEA - Computer Systems Engineering
Tamira	Nakato	Nottingham Trent University - Psychology with Counselling
James	Niven	University of Bristol - Audio + Music Technology
Marcello	Ohrablo	GAP Year - will work for a year + hopefully travel
Martyna	Olesiak	University for the Creative Arts - Fashion
Daniel	Pallant	Accounting Apprenticeship - Scrutton Bland - job offer made Jan 2020
John	Palmitos	University of Suffolk - History
Emily	Parrish	Apprenticeship at BMI
Abbie	Pelling	GAP Year
George	Pennick	University of Warwick - Politics + International Studies
Nathan	Pratt	Caston's degree apprenticeship
Mary	Qureshi	GAP Year
Elise	Reaville	GAP Year then Nottingham Trent University - Media Comms + Culture
Olivia	Richardson	Employment
Owen	Richardson	Apprenticeship at Brafe Engineering
Thomas	Richens	University of Leeds - Mechanical Engineering
Chloe	Robinson	University of Liverpool - English Literature
Natalie	Roffey	University of Winchester - History + Archaeology
Samuel	Rowe	University of Nottingham - Economics
Bryony	Rumbellow	Apprenticeship - Veterinary Nursing at Pets at Home
Caitlin	Rush	Birmingham City University - Music Technology
Jake	Sadd	University of Suffolk - Digital Film Production
Scott	Sexton	Sports + Coaching Course - SNC
Jasmine	Shackleton	Apprenticeship at Felixstowe Docks
Amber	Skeet	Human Resources Management 2021
Zoe	Small	University of St Andrews - English + Film studies
Amy	Smith	Employment
Bryony	Smith	University of Birmingham - English + History

Laura	Smith	Employment
Molly	Soames	GAP Year - Nottingham Trent - Psychology/Criminology in 2021
Noah	Swann	Army
Jess	Swansborough	UEA - Speech + Language Therapy
Tom	Swift	University of York - Philosophy, Politics and Economics
Jovie	Tasker	Bangor University - Zoology
Brooke	Taylor-Moy	UEA - Sociology
Nathan	Telford	University of Warwick - Computer Science
Dan	Thompson	University of Lancaster - Sociology
Ella	Tietjen	University of Lincoln - Psychology
Holly	Vincent	UEA - Politics
Holly	Wagstaff	Physiotherapy 2021
Lydia	Walmsley	Employment - train to be race instructor
Elizabeth	Warren	UEA - Environmental Sciences with Year in Industry
Terry	Wasswa	University of Bath - Pharmacy
Marie	Wells	University of Bath - Modern Languages
Kirra	Wells	UEA - Law
Georgia	Whelan	Loughborough University - Sociology + Media (with placement year)
Zoe	Whent	GAP Year - working at BarSheba - Reception - Spa/Beauty Salon
Ruby	White	Employment at Fine and Country, Woodbridge
Dan	Williams	Loughborough University - Sport Management + Placement Year
Luke	Winter	University of Reading - Modern Languages
Amy	Wray	Working at Milsoms - wants an apprenticeship in Marketing
Georgie	Wynn	Working as a TA at Heath Primary School
Iqra	Yasin	University of Suffolk - Children's Nursing
Luise	Zeck	Royal Holloway, University of London - Film, TV + Digital Production



Supporting FIND

Our Year 12 and 13 students have been thinking about others, as well as their studies, since returning to Kesgrave this term. As well as a huge pile underneath the Christmas tree, the students are pictured with boxes collected across the form groups, ready for donation to the local charity Families In Need. For the last 30 years, FIND Ipswich has offered a lifeline to people in Ipswich and the surrounding areas who are experiencing poverty and despair. They provide free food parcels and personal care items to help people get through a crisis, as well as furniture, bedding and other household items where the person or family has none. Students have brought donations and will be delivering their parcels to the depot before we break up.



Blankets from waste?

Following consideration of our own mental health in Personal Social Health and Emotional Education this term, we have been thinking about other people, and realised that it could be frighteningly easy for someone to end up homeless. This year, because of COVID we discovered that many hostels for the homeless haven't been open, making things even harder for them.

We saw a lady online who was in the news for making blankets out of crisp packets to give to homeless people and we decided that, with the amount of crisps that are eaten by students, we could give this a go. So we put messages in the school bulletin, and distributed boxes around the classrooms for all students to put their empty crisp packets into, and students from each year group went around all their forms collecting the packets. We then had a whole form task of cleaning and cutting the crisp packets; a big job! A group of us then laid strips of crisp packets together, and ironed them using a piece of baking paper so that the heat melted the packets and they stuck together. These strips were then ironed together. Next we had to lay the crisp packets within a double sheet of plastic, and again iron that on. The result is a large, flexible, waterproof blanket that also helps to keep heat in because of the foil layer on the crisp packets.

We managed to make four full-size blankets in a morning with all of us working together. These will be taken into Ipswich and given to the soup kitchen who will then hand them to those in need. This was not only a great form project, but something that the whole school was able to contribute to, and we felt a real sense of achievement at the end.

BF9 and Mrs Fulcher



Year 7 “BEEing” brilliant

‘Bee’ badges are awarded to Year 7 students by the Head of Year 7, Miss Boon. These are part of the ethos of Year 7, that not only embeds the Kesgrave 3Bs (Be Positive, Be Respectful, Be Your Best) but also additional values such as ‘bee kind’, ‘bee a friend’, ‘bee resilient’, ‘bee hardworking’ and ‘bee brave’. The badge is awarded to students who have immersed themselves into the Kesgrave culture, as well as the values of the bees. These can be awarded for accolades such as outstanding CTL reports, high levels of achievement points, staff nomination and also for overcoming personal challenges too.

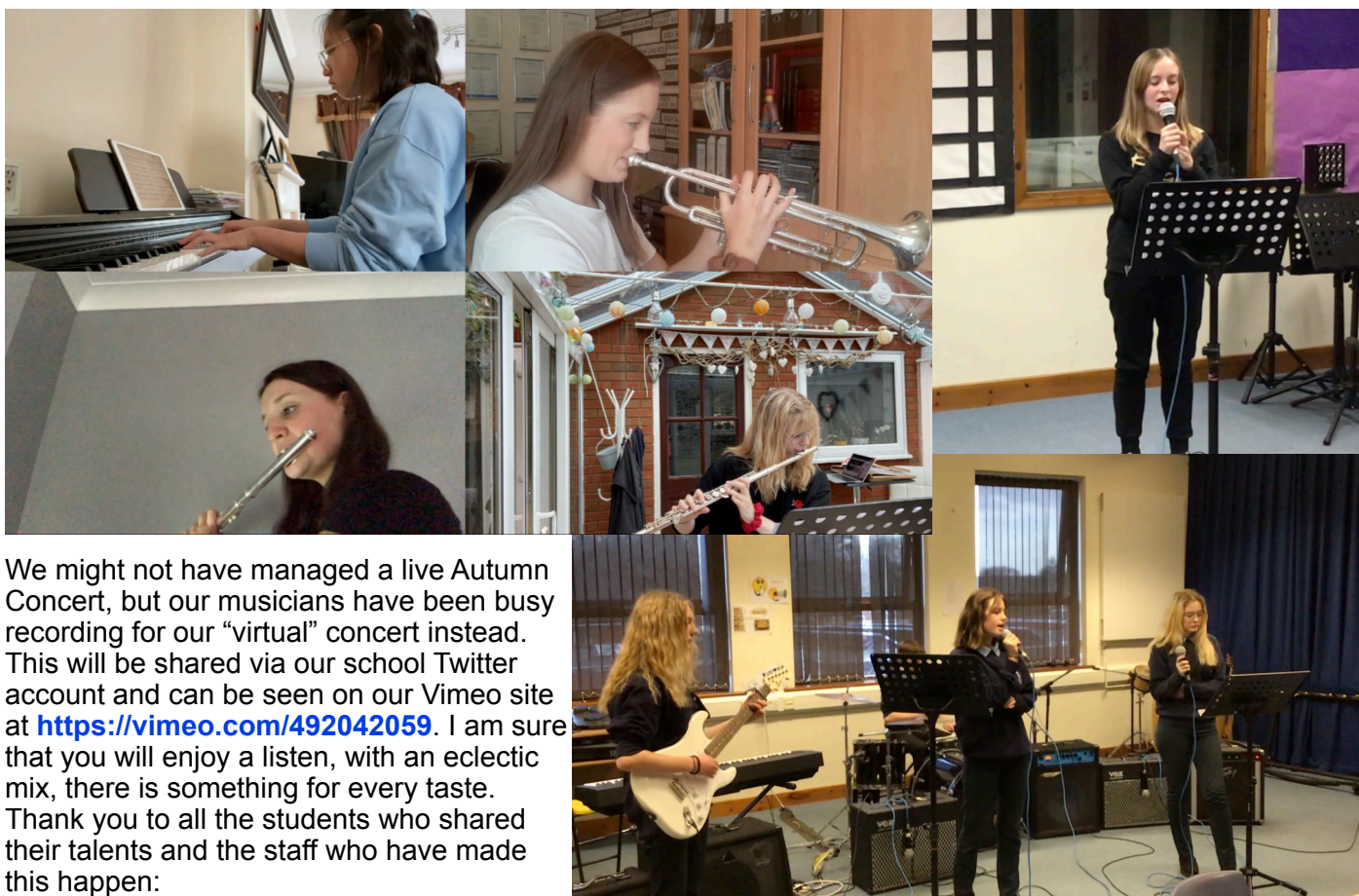


Well done to our Bee Badge recipients so far:
Kate Fulcher
Josh Hennon
Greisi Muhaj
Lilia Tuck
Pippa Gibbons
Jenna Baker

We love how the Year 7 Form Groups has got behind the Bee theme, creating these uplifting displays.



Autumn Music



We might not have managed a live Autumn Concert, but our musicians have been busy recording for our "virtual" concert instead. This will be shared via our school Twitter account and can be seen on our Vimeo site at <https://vimeo.com/492042059>. I am sure that you will enjoy a listen, with an eclectic mix, there is something for every taste. Thank you to all the students who shared their talents and the staff who have made this happen:

Programme

A Level Music and RSL Singers, Away in a Manger followed by Silent Night

Lottie Woodley, Orla Holland, Lucy Richens, Jessica Adams

BTEC Year 10, My Kind of Woman by Mac DeMarco

Amy Adams, Katie Hollinsworth, Macey Cowell, Tom Melton and Ieuan Duffy, Sophia Wilson

Yr 11 BTEC - Freaking Out the Neighbourhood

Ethan Thackeray, Charlie Bradbrook, Molly Lawrence, Sam Critchley, Jude Baxter

A Level Music Tech Composition, Zero Day By Beeple

Lewis Martin

She Used to Be Mine from the Musical The Waitress by Sara Bareilles

Hannah Burman

6th Form RSL, A Message to you Rudy

Gracie Hicks, Emily Saunders, Diego Luxmore, James Evans, Jessica Adams

Year 9 Composition, Determination

Yanis Kerampran

BTEC Year 10, Blame by Calpurina

Tarek El Hussein, Ieuan Duffy, Fraser Barton, Kaine Fulcher and Ryan Clements

BTEC Year 10 Sweet Child of Mine by Guns N' Roses

Harry Clarke, Aleks Hart, Evan Smith, Riley Garnett, Susana Marina and Finlay Ashley

Have yourself a merry little Christmas by Hugh Marting and Ralph Bane

Maddie Sennett and Hannah Burman

2020 Sixth Form Performers, Pavanne by Faure

Hayley Cheung, Laura Fitzgerald, Grace Harman, Caitlin Rush

The Cast of Little Shop of Horrors, Skid Row

Imogen Oldman, Harrison Arch, Amelia Downing, Olivia Daniels, Alexa Thackeray, Tabitha Moy, Ruby Gooden, Alfie Popplewell, Cody Gaita, Oli Francis, Maria Georgalas, Mollie Tovell, Max Clarke, Harrison Green, Will Finbow, Elia Luxmoore, Yanis Kerampran, Daisy Bird, Amber Rippeth, Poppy Brown, Freya Hadgraft, Ryan Smith, Ben Woodley, Faith Moore, Daniel Pryke, Oscar Munday, Amelia Beresford, Kitty-Boo Capey, Ethan Corey, Finley Ashley, Abigail Terry, Edward Dance, Mia Fisk, Louis Markham, Paolo Palmieri, Finn Lawley, Nevaeh Wintle, Brooke Baxter, Sophie Chalmers, Lottie Woodley, Amora Minhas, Hannah Burman, Kelsey Smith

A Christmas Carol - live from The Old Vic

Christmas Carol from The Old Vic Theatre in London. The livestream of the performance was kindly organised by Ms Hunwicks and the English staff, who thought that it would be a great opportunity for us to watch the performance as we have been studying A Christmas Carol as part of our GCSE English Literature exam that we should (hopefully!) be sitting in the summer.

The performance itself was absolutely fantastic. The portrayal of the character Scrooge was accurately presented to the audience; I know that, when I write my next essay response, I will be able to visualise the character of Scrooge and his words more clearly, and therefore remember the novella's storyline and the importance of Scrooge's journey to enlightenment.

The performance also encouraged me to really remember to appreciate the people who are so close to us; the novella being set during a Victorian Christmastime, where love, joy and the birth of Jesus are the main assets of the festival, emphasises the importance of simply loving others to the audience, but not just at Christmastime.

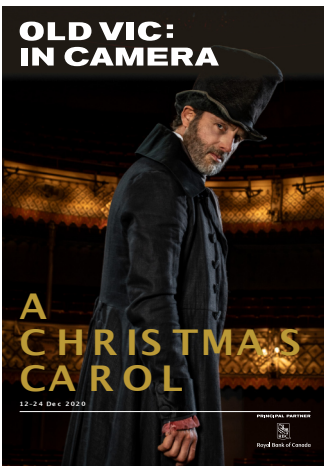
I particularly recall the line 'you are made, but you make' from the performance - we are all placed here on Earth, and we can live how we desire, but you are the only one who can truly control your way of being. In the novella, Scrooge

is shown through the Three Spirits that even though his capacity to love others, and to love, has faded, he still has the authority to change his ways. They show him that it is never too late to change, but only that he must do it in this lifetime.

I thoroughly enjoyed the performance of A Christmas Carol and it was particular treat for me, and other students studying the novella, to watch a performance to aid our learning and understanding of the novella after such a long period of being away from school during lockdown at such a crucial time in our education. It was also a fantastic way to support the Old Vic Theatre company and all of its actors, actresses, stage managers, musicians and so many more of people involved in running the beautiful theatre after what has been such a hard time for them due to the pandemic, and for all of the arts. It was delightful to be able to feel as if I was in a theatre again, and I hope that very soon we will be able to actually attend theatres in person.

Thank you again to all of the English Department for enabling us to view the live-streaming of A Christmas Carol.

Arabella Moore-Smith, Year 11



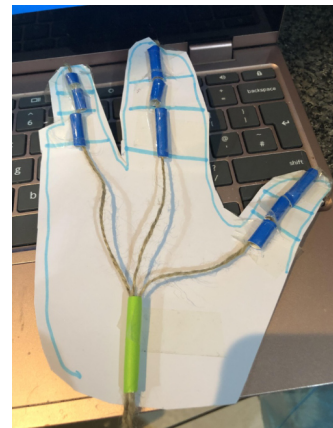
Bionic Hands!

This term, W17 have learned about the criteria scientists use to decide if something is living, which can be more complicated than you might think. How can we explain scientifically why robots and viruses are not living, but bacteria and trees are? Just ask W17 about 'Mrs C. Gren' and I'm sure they will be able to help you out!

As part of this we have learned about the functions of the human skeleton and how our joints work to allow movement. This led us to looking at how technology might be used to adapt the human body such as use of prosthetic limbs or blood-glucose sensors. W17 were set an optional task to make a bionic hand over half-term, which helped us realise just how amazing our real joints are at enabling such a wide range of movement and dexterity.

Well done to Archie King, Brae Dennison-Farrow, Ella Case, Caitlyn Youngs and Caitlin Lummis – fabulous effort and commitment to learning! If you would like to have a go, follow this link for a video clip and instructions <https://youtu.be/BciOBLzyB2U>

Mrs Anderson-Hurst



House Competition

Our House system is very much still alive at Kesgrave High School and while we are missing some of the usual House features (due to our COVID restrictions) we have adapted in order to keep alive this fun, competitive side of school life.



Sports Competition

Key Stage 3 braved all the elements in an effort of achieving their first points towards the House cup. The challenge was to run a number of laps around the school field in a 15 minute time window – this could be done collaboratively or as a solo effort.

Year 7 ran 3,764 laps

Year 8 ran 3,412 laps

Year 9 ran 3,942 laps

Collectively the school managed to run 11,118 laps. **Hillary** were victorious, with **Keller** a close second.

Form competition

The form competition really bought out the creative side of our pupils and some staff. The task was to draw an image of your corresponding Head of Year to be judged by them. The winners feature below and saw Emma Drake, Lily Soar, Amelie Mathew and an anonymous from HU9 – all 4 baring a striking resemblance to their Heads of Year. Overall **Royal** stole the victory with two top places closely followed by **Nuffield**.



Overall House Points

As shared earlier in Acclaim, achievement points are awarded individually for students, for good work and good behaviour (237,281 3Bs have been awarded this year so far). These points are also collated within

the House System. It's a tight race. **Hillary** are in the lead with 71,760 points with **Bader** trailing 2,663 behind. **Keller**, **Nuffield**, and **Royal** keep exchanging the running order with a mere 970 separating 3rd and 5th place. Keep watching our Twitter feed and our website for House updates as the year progresses.

