3rd April 2020



Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to this bumper issue of the Newsletter and it is great to see so many photos of activities and things being made at home. With the current restrictions, it is amazing how frequently food is a theme!

My challenge to your son/daughter is - can they produce a video (with their family or with their friends) to demonstrate something they enjoy. This is an example that was on breakfast TV this week!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Nf4XxnL4IPk

It would be great to have some examples from the Tomlinscote community sent to the Newsletter team jcarpenter@tomlinscoteschool.com.

Another competition is the "Capture yourself reading Inter-House competition". Have a look at the flyer on page 14 and your son/daughter can gain some House points.

School is open over Easter for some students and there will be a break from 'Home Learning' for all students during the next couple of weeks. The new term starts on Monday 20th April 2020 with home learning tasks posted on Google Classroom by 9am.

A huge thank you to all our parents for your hard work at home. Keeping your son/daughter motivated and engaged is very much appreciated. Also, a thank you to my staff for all the interactions with students and keeping the flow of work going. I would like to wish everyone a Happy Easter and a huge thank you to everyone on the frontline from the Tomlinscote Community.

Mr. Major

'You can't teach an old dog new tricks'... you can at Tomlinscote!

Dr Hammond's dog Dexter and Mr Morren's dog Breac are loving having them at home, however they are not helping either of them when it comes to getting their marking done. We assume that Breac is listing to some **Bach** and Dexter is in his Element!





Food Tech Home Learning

Georgia Turner in Year 9 has produced a brilliant step by step guide to her process for making Bagels. She would have been baking them in Food Tech this week but looks to have done a very good job at home!

















Jess D'Arcy, also in Year 9, has produced a beautiful set of Bagels. I hope they too tasted as good as they looked.

Well done to both Georgia and Jess for producing very tasty 'Home Learning'.





Proving that she practises what she teaches,
Mrs Prothero, one of Tomlinscote's Food Tech
Teachers, baked a very tasty looking Banana loaf
using the BBCgoodfood recipe, which is especially
good for using up overripe bananas.





















Students and staff are continuing to cook and bake some amazing creations while being forced to stay indoors.

Keep those pictures coming to inspire the rest of the Tomlinscote Community!

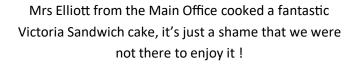
Oliver Smith in 11P baked a Bread and Butter pudding for the whole family, the verdict was that it was absolutely delicious!





Mrs Shlackman from the Executive Office made a tray of healthy flapjacks that was quickly devoured by her family.

This was a picture of the second lot!







Mrs Knowles from the Admin team found a way of using up leftover rolls to create mini pizzas. A great idea for making food go that bit further!

























Ongoing success stories!



Here is Josiah from 9K with his Dad working out to the latest craze that is Joe Wicks!

In addition, see below for a very impressive trick shot, that caused concern for Mum as it features the most sought after household item!

https://youtu.be/melsaP30enl

Naomi Mackenzie-Jones from 9P has been putting her artistic talents to good use by taking images off the internet and colouring them in using her own design.



https://youtu.be/8mdJw9RbvUs



https://youtu.be/lqCuGKBDJY4



Matthew Pickard from 10M made this fantastic video with some of his classmates. Yet another demonstration of how carefree some students are being with the basic necessities!

Ali Khan in 9X has combined a piece of Art work that was set for him and also managed to put his Creative Media skills to good use too.

Well done Ali for being so inventive.







Cameron in 10 X was selected to play for Surrey Rugby U15's boys in March out of a group of 150 other players.

Surrey won both of their matches before all of the Rugby was cancelled!

A huge congratulation to Cameron for such a fantastic achievement.

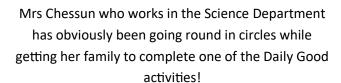
Passing the time now takes many forms!



A great demonstration of studying has been sent in showing Billy who left after his GCSEs in July 2017. He is now at Loughborough University but currently studying at home for his end of Year 1 exams.

His work ethic has clearly rubbed off on Oscar currently in Year 11 who is completing his GCSE assignments.

Keep up the good work!











Mrs Vincent, who works in the Main Office, was thrilled when her daughter Laura, a former Tomlinscote student, put her creative skills to good use. She produced a fantastic crocheted Yoda. We look forward to seeing all of the other Star Wars characters!

And in the words of Yoda " Pass on what you have learnt"

Annabelle Clark from 7L has gone into construction in order to complete her Tech Home Learning topic of 'structures'

It looks as though she enjoyed this particular topic.



Well done Annabelle!



Careers Information from Dr Hammond



BA is running a 'Virtual Inspire Academy' in partnership with The Air League Trust providing daily resources based around skills for the workplace, podcasts and interactive aviation activities.

The content is updated daily and each week will finish with a learning summary worksheet for students to complete, capturing key highlights and learnings and signposting to further resources. Students who complete all the activities and the worksheet will be entered into an exclusive prize draw for a special BA prize!

The link is: https://careers.ba.com/meetandgreet

Also see the link below from 'Diamond Light Source', a scientific research facility in Oxfordshire, which is essentially a giant electron microscope. It is super cool (I know I am a bit biased as a self confessed science geek!) but it really is pretty amazing.

The first link takes you on a virtual tour of Diamond and the second tells you about how their microscope is contributing to research on Covid-19.

Not just for the scientists, there are some super cool images produced by the microscope which are fascinating, weird and beautiful all at once!

Virtual visit: https://www.diamond.ac.uk/Public/VisitUs/Virtual-Visit.html#



Covid-19 research: https://www.diamond.ac.uk/covid-19.html#

This information has also been emailed to all Year 10 and 11 students. Dr Hammond



Was it something I said?

This is Dolly clearly demonstrating that she understands the 'distancing' rules. She normally goes out for walks with her brother, but she's enjoying a bit of 1:1 with Mrs Hawkins.

Nature Watch - from the window!

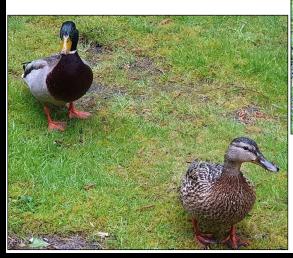
As we find ourselves indoors for the majority of the day, you may have found yourselves gazing longingly out of the window.

Have you seen any interesting visitors to your gardens? If you have why not practice your photography skills and send them to Mrs Carpenter for inclusion in the next Newsletter.

Mrs Hobbs has had the usual grey squirrel not quite understanding that the food is put out for birds.



The fox decided to 'hoover' up the scraps from the birdfeeder.



Mrs Carpenter has also had a few visitors to her garden recently, some more welcome that others!



The Mallards actually wait under the window for food to be thrown out. They can be very noisy!

Top Tips!

Are you are struggling to stay focused on your subjects and experiencing difficulty getting your Home Learning done?

If you are finding it challenging while school is closed, see the handy tips here to help you out.



Top Tips: how to get your work done while school is closed!

- Look at your school timetable for each day. This will tell you which lessons you have to focus on that day.
- Check your school emails your teachers will send you
 work on Google Classroom. You should have an email from
 each teacher on the day, which takes you to the lesson on
 Google Classroom.
- 3. Read the lesson slides on Google Classroom carefully.
- Follow the instructions your teacher has put on Google Classroom - this will tell you what work to do.
- Type your work on your iPad in Google Docs, or use the 'mark-up' tool and save the file, OR, write it in your book and take a photo of it with your iPad.
- Send your work to your teachers on Google Classroom, or email it to them. This is very important.
- 7. Spend 50 minutes on each lesson, then stop.
- Ask for help if you need it from your teacher or LSA.
 They want to help you!









Hideaway or storage?



Mr Frater might be Head of Music and work in the Creative Arts department, but his creative skills have certainly been put to good use

Having finished his remote teaching for the day, he has been building a shed to create more space. In reality, it is more likely to become a mini sound studio.

It would appear that he is has swapped his usual microphone for a paint brush and has managed to create a medley of colour.









Passing the time activities



Miss Ellis' little boy Ralph has obviously come under pressure to show some enthusiasm for the subject that we know Miss Ellis is passionate about. I hope he is keeping himself amused!

A few students might recognise the outfit!





Ishbir in Year 7 has been finding quite diverse ways of passing his time.

He has managed to incorporate table tennis and solving the Rubik's cube into his daily routine.

Congratulations on keeping both your mind and body fit.

Harry in 7M treated his family to a spot of home cooking.

The menu sounded very 'MasterChef'

Southern 'no-fried' chicken, sweet potato wedges and roasted carrots.

Keep up with the cooking Harry!



French Fancies?

Alanna Collard in 10H made cupcakes during what would have been her Food Tech lesson, there were more, but sadly they were eaten before the photo could be taken. They were clearly a success!





Don't be a couch potato!



Mrs Prothero has been listening to various celebrities who have been encouraging families to get cooking together.

She has cooked a really easy recipe that is on the **bbcgoodfood website**, she has sent photos of her potato production line today.

Please have a go, you only need 4 potatoes, 1 onion, 1 egg, salt and pepper and vegetable oil; for frying.

This is a great way to jazz up the humble and very undervalued potato!











In this difficult and unprecedented time, some people may be feeling concerned and anxious.

The Surrey School

Nursing Service has set

up the 'ChatHealth

Service, to offer

support to anyone

needing it.



Not Purrfect Participation!

Jacob in 7R has clearly done well to get his two sisters involved in the Joe Wicks morning exercise regime. Sadly, Bruno their cat wasn't feeling inspired, he decided to take it easy and 'paws' for thought!





Corona Virus Visors!

In a recent Newsletter, Mr Major mentioned that he had made an offer of providing Frimley Park Hospital with our Science Department safety glasses. They have since accepted our offer and 233 pairs of glasses are now with our nearest hospital.

In addition to this offer of help, something rather special was proposed by Mrs Lines, one of Tomlinscote's Tech Teachers.

She came up with a design for the face shields that we have all seen being worn by our Healthcare professionals on the news. Using materials and equipment already at Tomlinscote, Mrs Lines has produced a simple but highly effective design that can be made at school.

As a result of receiving considerable interest from various divisions within the Medical profession, Tomlinscote has gone into manufacturing - 100 masks will be made by Friday!









Mrs Jennings' Year 9 English classes have been writing about being in isolation.

See if you share any of these feelings.

The good bits about being at home:

"The thing I like more about being in isolation is that I can sleep more" Toby Bonfield

"I can listen to music and my dog can come and sit with me" Sophie Callaghan



"When I do my work I get to choose my location. Whether it's the couch or my bed or the dining room." **Josiah Du Pisanie**

"If we get hungry we can eat what we want when we want" Kourtney King-Carley

The frustrations:

"How are you supposed to do Drama without performance? How are you supposed to do PE without sport?" **Jake Crouch**

"It feels like I'm on a deserted island" Jenisha Gurung



"The worst part is not being able to ask someone for proper help" Nathan Bailie

Things to look forward to:

"When lockdown ends, I am excited to go back to doing sports and competitions" **Ava Bates**



"Being able to see and hug my friends is what I am looking forward to most" Millie Batley Hammond

"I cannot wait for quarantine to end so that I can go back to normal. Normal school, normal home, normal exercise" **Callum Brodie**

76's Arty Challenge

Venus

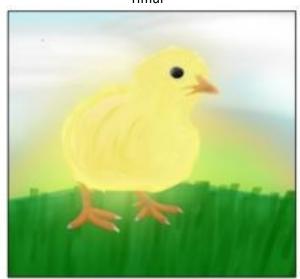
Mrs Frater's registration group of 7G were set an art based challenge this week. The title of the challenge was 'New Beginnings'.

Their art challenge could be created with paper, using pens or pencils, digitally on their iPads, an animation, sculpture or a short film. The title was chosen because it linked both the season change, our new way of life and the form's discussions about taking up a hobby or learning a new skill.

Congratulations to 7G who managed to incorporate an impressive number of skills.



Timur



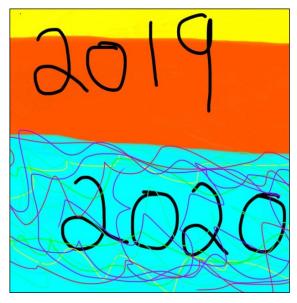
Oliver



Tegan

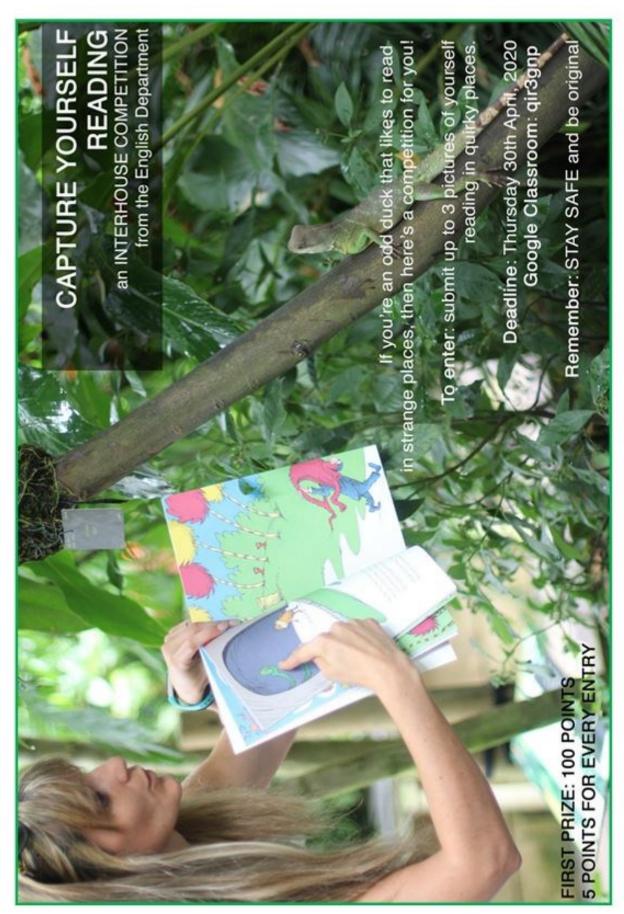


William



A reminder to enter the 'Capture' Competition

This competition is open to both students and staff - happy reading!



Year 7 Acts of Kindness Jay

Congratulations for being nominated and chosen for the Act of Kindness Award this half term. The reasons you were nominated were lovely and at this difficult time the kindness that everyone is showing is bringing the light in.

The 'Act of Kindness Award' is presented every half-term to an individual student from each tutor group who has been nominated by their peers for an act of kindness. The categories for which the awards are made are: generosity, consideration and warmth towards others.

Due to current restrictions we have asked for pictures to be sent from home of the nominated students with their certificates.

At a time when Acts of Kindness have meant more than ever, congratulations to our students for displaying such great qualities. I know that there are so many similar examples, please let us know and share these positive actions!



Raeleah Venus Yash







Jaya Imogen Jaya







Brain Teaser Pages

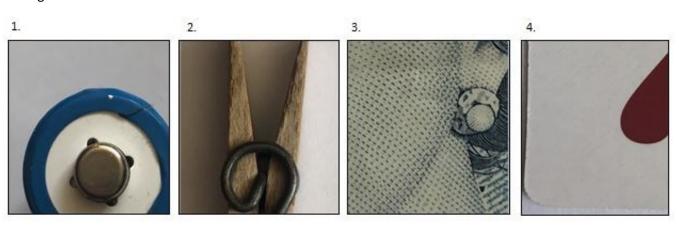
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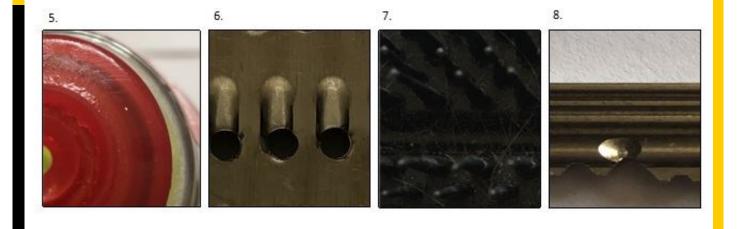
You have been indoors for a while now, so how observant have you become?

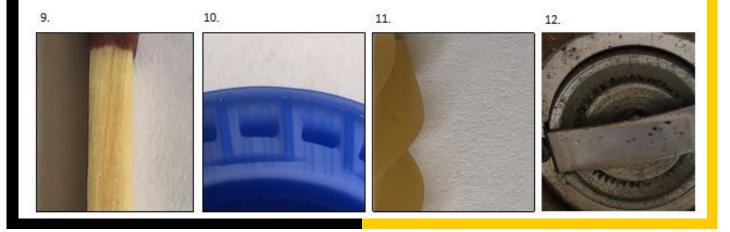
Below are some photographs of household items that most of you will have come across.

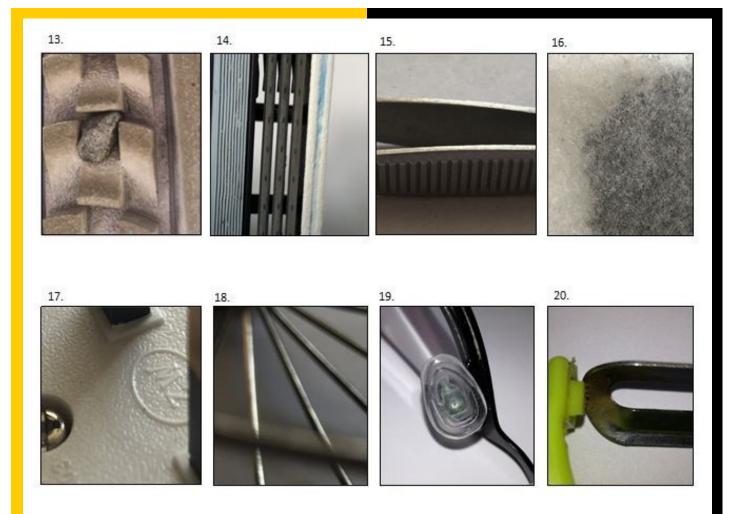
How many do you recognise? Answers in the next issue.

If you would like to submit your answers to jcarpenter@tomlinscoteschool.com, I will let you know how you have got on!





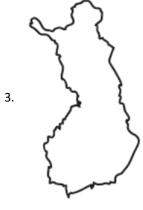


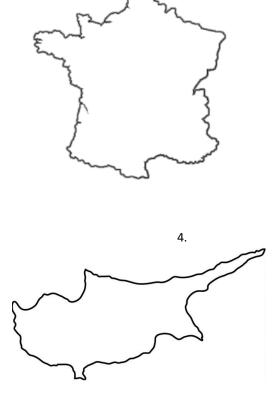


Quiz No 2 Where is it?

You might need to get an atlas out for this assortment. Do you recognise the outline of any of these countries?







They are not all to scale!

Cont. overleaf...

So you think you know your neighbourhood?

Leah Farnsworth in 10R has been continuing with her walks and has snapped some locations for you to identify. Do you know where they are? Answers after Easter!

The answers to last week's are as follows:

- No.1 The view from the top of Frimley Green Rec.
- No.2 St Peter's Church in Frimley
- No.3 The Cherry Blossom in front of the White Hart Pub

Photograph 1.



Photograph 2.



Photograph 3.



Photograph 4.



Culture Section!



The Globe Theatre are sharing 6 of their productions, each for 2 weeks, follow this link:

https://globeplayer.tv/

Hamlet 6th-19th April
Romeo and Juliet 20th-3rd May
A Midsummer Night's Dream 4th-17th May
A Winter's Tale 18th- 31st May
The Two Noble Kinsmen 1st June- 14th June
The Merry Wives of Windsor 15th-28th June



Fancy yourself as a poet?

If you find yourself at a loose end over the Easter break, have a go at writing a poem.

It can be about anything you like, Easter, chocolate, pets, siblings, hobbies etc.

There will be a prize for the winning verse.

So... Have a go, it's such good fun,

It keeps your brain cells going,

I'm keen to read the chosen theme

That constitutes your poem.

Please submit entries to: jcarpenter@tomlinscoteschool.com



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The Adventures of Corona Cat- a weekly update (2)

They're fools - all of them! I implore you to understand the injustice being played upon me.

We cats spend time and effort educating our tall ones on the meanings of our commands. It is established that "miaow" with an accent on the "m" implies that I am to be fed the Sheba salmon fillets in jelly. They know this - we have rehearsed this for the past 5 and a half years... And yet, they still believe that I should be groomed and pampered by them before I eat? This insolence is unheard of.

I have, however, been teaching myself a new trick during this time of much-higher-than-usual levels of human interference. I am playing pawball - but I am not quite premium at it yet. I shall master this skill; she-cats love a baller!



The Newsletter team would like to say another massive thank you to everyone who has contributed this week.

As you can see 2/3 of the team have not really pulled their weight!

I have been astounded by the volume of emails landing in my inbox each day. I hope that I have managed to include everyone's articles. If I haven't, please send them again so that I can include them in the next Newsletter after the Easter holidays.

You will see that I have put in a couple of quizzes, please have a go, I will publish the answers after Easter.

In addition I have added a picture of a puzzle that the Carpenter family completed, yet more time spent at the kitchen table this week!

Enjoy Easter with your families, and I look forward to being deluged with contributions for the next issue!







