



Dear Parents and Carers,

This is another bumper Newsletter and so many great photos of food as well! The students have been working really hard again this week and many have received online postcards from staff highlighting their excellent work ethic. Furthermore, all year groups have now received a progress report for the period up to March 20th 2020. Please check Go4schools for the online copy. A number of staff will be setting work next week about VE Day, this will enable students to learn about this major event in 1945 rather than completing other curriculum work.

At the weekend, we should hear more detail about what the timeline will look like post lockdown and what this means for our Secondary School. Tomlinscote is still open to support key worker students and students with an EHCP. Please register using the link to let us know whether your son or daughter needs to come to school over the next three weeks. <https://forms.gle/HnASrCGSFyDzEh5a9>

This Google Form is now open for responses until 9pm on Saturday 9th May 2020.

Year 10 - Ofqual have now stated that any Year 9 or 10 student who was due to sit a GCSE this summer can now have their result included in the Centre Assessed Grading. That includes all students due to take Japanese, Chinese, French or German from Years 9 or 10. I will write to every student confirming what to do next with exercise books etc.

I hope that you all have a very enjoyable VE Day Bank Holiday.

Mr. Major

VE Day Celebrations - 1945



Featured in the Newsletter 4 times on the bounce!

Raeleah in 7X clearly hasn't lost her bounce over the last few weeks.

This has been one activity that she has done to keep fit.

Raeleah is in Hawking House, Stephen Hawking once said "Perhaps one day I will go into space".

Raeleah is obviously trying to do the same!

If not, it's a great way to spy on your neighbours!



Bribery will get you everywhere!

Mrs Long's son, Hughie is clearly requiring a lot of bribery to get him to do his reading, namely a tin of cookies, jam tarts and a Victoria Sandwich cake. Nice work Hughie!



At the end of last week, for Food Technology, Ali Khan in Year 10 made these delicious looking Pasties!

Ali made them for Ramadan dinner, they were undoubtedly worth waiting for!

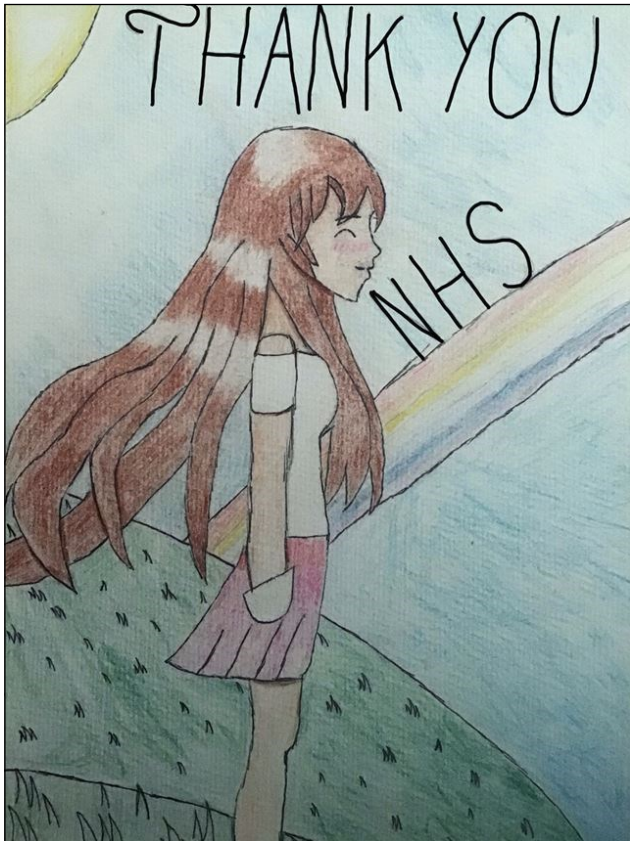
The detail on the plate looks very impressive, do you fancy a career in catering Ali?



Picture perfect!

Here is a beautiful drawing from Zohal Ahmadzi in 8K. This is her second piece of artwork, in this picture she celebrates the NHS and incorporates her trademark rainbow.

Congratulations Zohal, for contributing another really atmospheric picture.



Here is a beautiful photograph of Ruby in Year 7 by the Basingstoke Canal. I am not sure that the geese are adhering to the strict social distancing measures!

The mallard has almost managed it!



Anzac Biscuits/biscuit!



Sophie Rolls, in 7M set out to make some Anzac biscuits. Having opened the oven, she discovered that the biscuits had not been social distancing and had in fact merged into one huge biscuit.

Maybe this was deliberate and Sophie always intended eating the whole thing herself. 😊

Anzac biscuits have long been associated with the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps (ANZAC) which was created in World War I. Soldiers used to be sent the biscuits while abroad, as it was claimed that the biscuits' ingredients did not spoil and kept well while being transported. We don't think this biscuit will have to travel far!

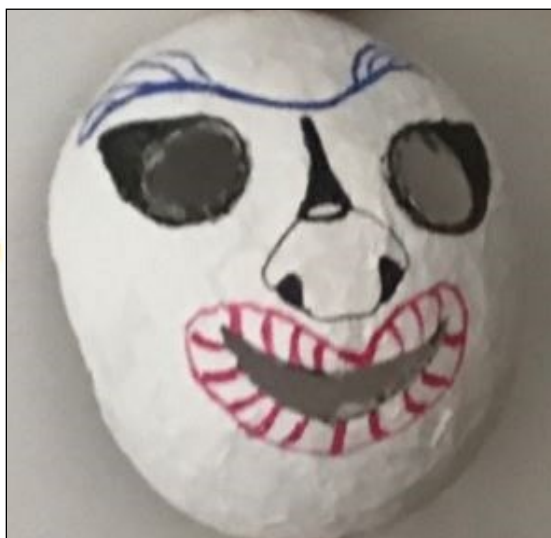


Year 7 and 8 Drama students have been working hard making Greek masks. They make a fantastic change from the masks that we have come to associate with the Coronavirus! Miss Barnes was really impressed with the variety of media that students adopted.

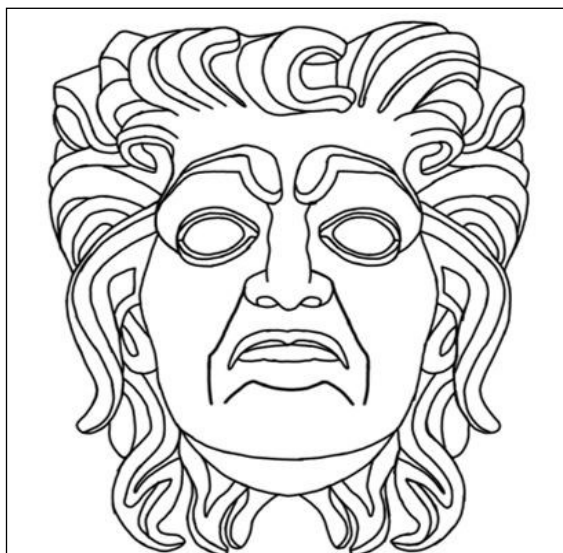
Masking their talent!



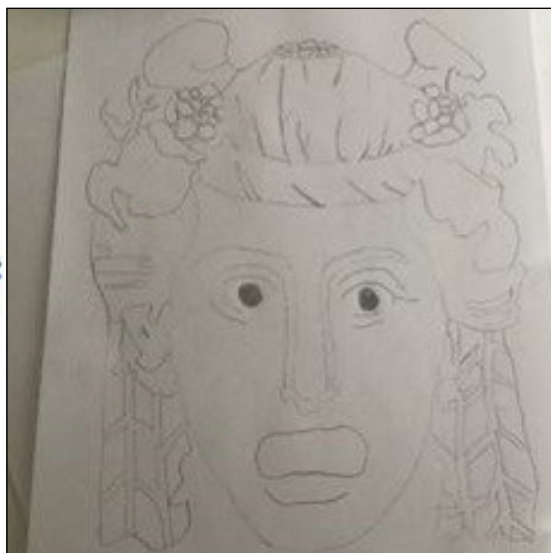
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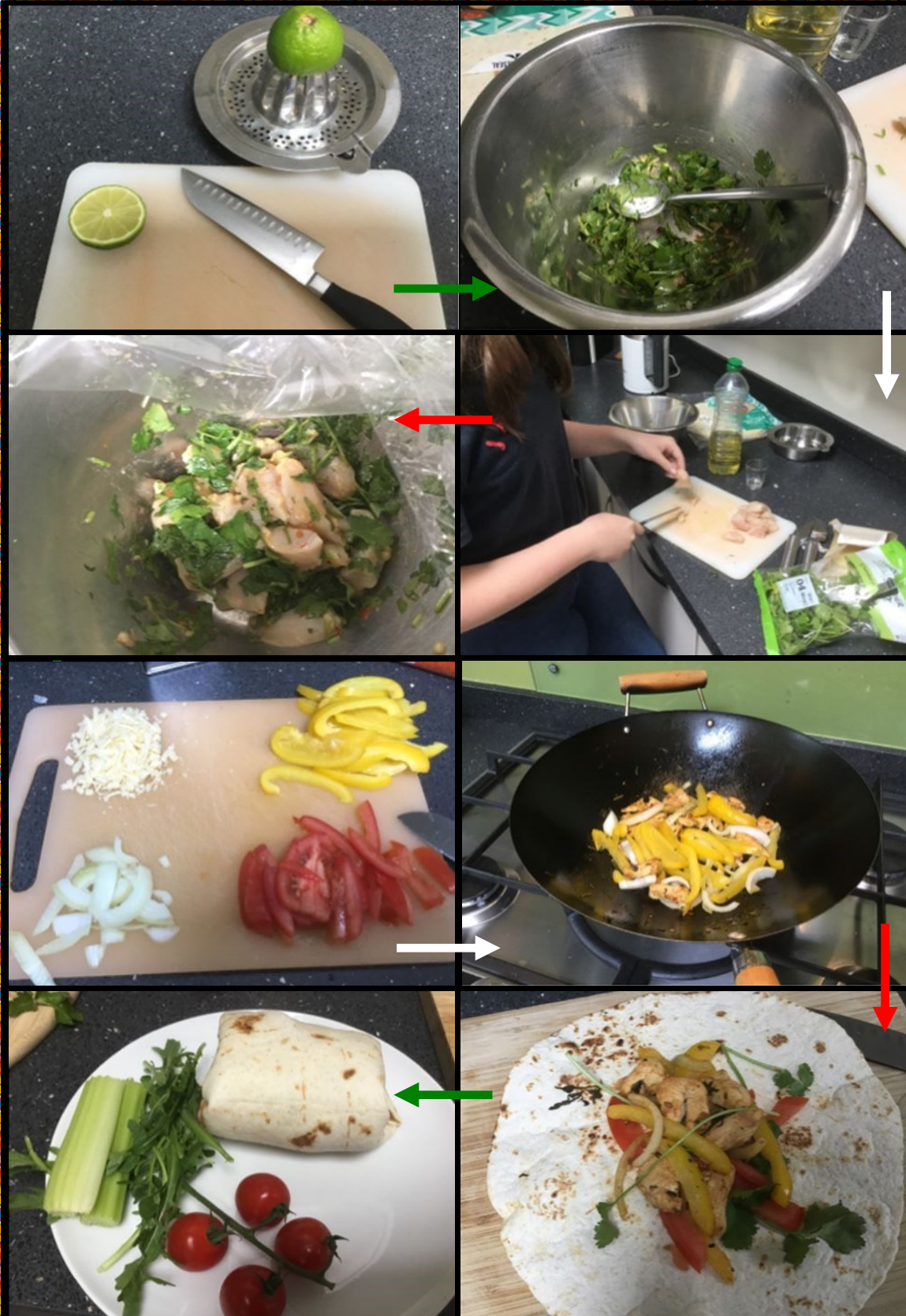
Olivia Simmons



Malachi Barron



Georgia Turner in 9K has provided us all with a very handy step by step guide to making Fajitas. The pictures depict the very successful practical lesson that she had this week. With the continued lockdown, we are all thinking about food far more, this Fajita would definitely hit the spot!



Would you know these woods?

Alex Parry, a former Tomlinscote 6th Form student, has had to return home from University due to the Corona virus. She has been enjoying reading the students' articles, and wanted to contribute to the Newsletter herself. Maybe these photos will jog your memories.



quite familiar ground to most Tomlinscote students.



You might have logged this one!



You will most certainly have felt like Basil at the end of your Orienteering.

Thank you Alex and Basil for helping to bring back some of those PE memories, some good, some not so good!



She has been walking with Basil, over what should be



Do you recognise any of the landmarks?



You might have jumped over this obstacle.





Mrs Jones has issued the first Hegarty Maths leaderboard based on all of the Maths that students have been doing during the lockdown period.

Year 7

1 st	Shay White	239
2 nd	Anisia Petruc	108
3 rd	Jack Glassar	71

Year 8

1 st	Zaara Saeed	95
2 nd	Rinita Ghosh	90
3 rd	Marilena Papathoma	73



hegartymaths

Based on the number of correct questions answered
27th April – 3rd May

Year 9

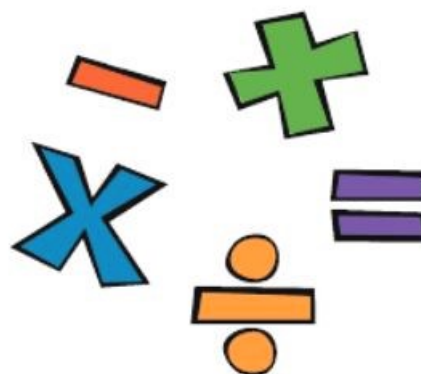
1 st	Oliver Bennett	86
2 nd	James Cavan	84
3 rd	Maya Dayanandan	78

Year 10

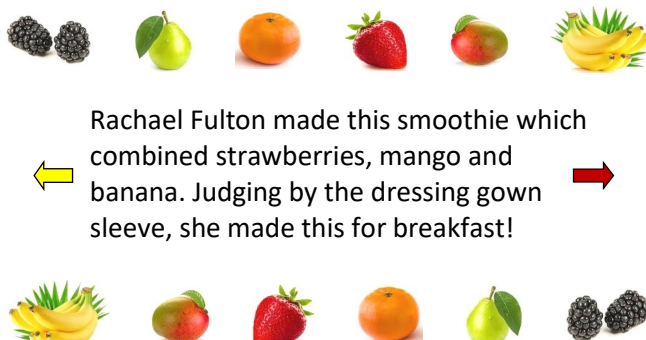
1 st	Erin Bellchambers	101
2 nd	Ambika Bhandari	98
3 rd	Libby Parsons	92

Congratulations to all of the students who have done so well and made it on to the individual leaderboards.

Can you do any better and get your name appearing next time?



Smooth Operators in Year 7!



Frieden Njini managed to combine the contents of an entire fruit bowl in his smoothie. It certainly ticks the '5 a day' box! The mega smoothie consisted of: yoghurt, pear, banana, tangerine and milk!



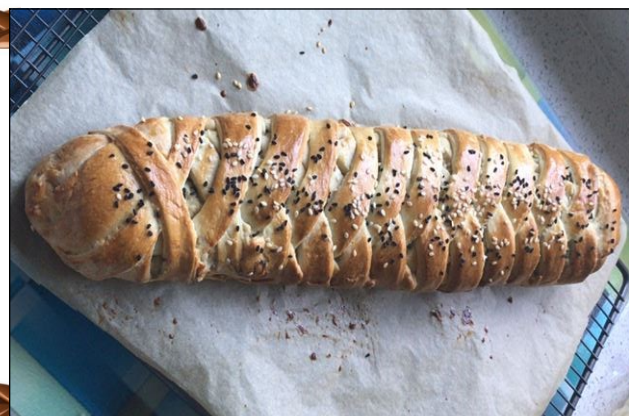
Naeve Johansen looks to have made a berry good smoothie too.

We hope that it was as delicious as it looks.

Plait to plate

Inayah Saeed in Year 10 could clearly get a job as a hairdresser or chef. The plaiting on her chicken stuffed bread is amazing.

I hope there were a lot of family members available to eat it! Congratulations on baking such a perfect masterpiece.



ACTS OF KINDNESS

On Tuesday of this week, Matthew Pickard in Year 10, made this Slow-Cooked Ragu Bolognese.

Matthew explained that he couldn't take a picture of it plated. This was due to the fact that he was taking it round to some of his elderly neighbours who couldn't go shopping in the current climate.

Well done Matthew for truly embracing one of the Tomlinscote Core Values, namely 'Community'.



Perfect Puds!

Sam in Year 10 has obviously experienced the same problem as the rest of the nation, namely craving something sweet.

As a result Sam has made his first set of Crème Brûlées. According to the official tasters (Sam's family), they were delicious.

I hope they made the required cracking sound when they were broken into!



If you still feel like a bit of drama...



If you can imagine having a 'Midsummer Night's Dream' about the Coronavirus being over, then check out the dates below:

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



<https://globeplayer.tv/>



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helpdesk@tomlinscoteschool.com

Puzzling Puss

Corona Cat has had a rather long cat nap and managed to miss 2 weeks of diary entries. I'm sure Mrs Matous had something to do with this!

See below for the latest **catalogue** of escapades.....

"Ah, Spring—my favourite time of year! The birds are idiots, the squirrels are distracted, and have I mentioned the ducklings at the end of the garden? Mmmm, just exquisite. I don't eat them, mind you. I'm not a peasant; I am catered for. But oh, how I do delight in the chase! It keeps me trim.

I discovered a new pastime this week. Have you ever tried these marvellous inventions called 'Jigsaw Puzzles'? So many little pieces - and they scatter simply *everywhere*! I ate a cloud yesterday. It was dry, like the kibble I disdain to eat. The only downside to puzzles, however, is they seem to increase the volume in the house significantly. When I start to join in, the tall ones are so excited I'm finally playing with them, that they squeal at least an octave higher than usual. Not ideal. I'm sensitive, you understand, and they do disturb me awfully.

But it's fine, they haven't found the mouse I lost under the fridge yet."



Mamma Mia what a tune!

Eva Jensen in 7H has become a song writer during lock down. Along with her sister and brother, she has come up with new lyrics for the Abba hit 'Mamma Mia'.

I think the sentiment shown is mirrored by us all!

Well done Eva you are a 'Super Trouper', and 'Thank you for the music'. We all hope that your 'SOS' has been heard!



I've been stuck in my room,
since I don't know when.
So I've made up my mind -
it must come to an end.

Look at me now -
daring to go down.

I don't know how,
but I start to rock'n'roll .

The lockdown is within my soul.

Just one look...

And I long for fresh air.

One more look...


Damn... I'm still in here...o-o-o-oh.

Mamma Mia,
every day is the same.

My, my... How can I resist it?
Mamma Mia spring is here again.
My, my... Just how much I've missed it.

Yes, I've been short on scones,
soap, eggs and toilet rolls.

Why, why... Can't I even buy crisps?
Mamma Mia where are sausage rolls?
My, my... Tesco please supply these.



Lest we forget

As minutes turn to hours
and those hours turn to days,
our lives have metamorphosised
into a leaden haze.

A Groundhog Day for everyone
with only subtle changes,

we're now exposed to worries
way outside our normal ranges.

But, today we must remember
how we triumphed once before,
the danger then more visible
the shocking last World War.

Back then the nation rallied
and looked out for those in need,
a desperate time for citizens
requiring friendly deed.

It's still the same today my friends,
goodwill is shining bright,
while in this time of darkness
there's an endless source of light.


Key workers are our new frontline,

Their call to arms was fast,
the war they wage so different
from the battles of the past.

But now, as then, we'll conquer,
we'll emerge from this much stronger,
friendships made and neighbours found,
our patience somewhat longer!

The plan to keep us parted
which has been a major plight,
has counteracted perfectly
and made us all unite.

Jane Carpenter



School - but not as you know it!

This aerial photograph of Tomlinscote was taken some time ago, one notable feature is the outdoor pool! You will see that the Main Hall, A Block, S Block and the Vocational Centre are not in evidence. A Block playground was also covered in huts!



The Newsletter team hope that you are staying fit and well. We continue to receive great articles proving that you are keeping busy. Thank you again for the donations, it really helps to remind us of all the great things that everyone is doing for themselves and other people.

Please keep the pictures, articles and stories coming, we're not convinced that much exercise is being done!

Stay safe - Mrs Carpenter

Kipper and Boris are demanding greater rewards for their continued contribution to the Newsletter. Clarence, the Bristlenose Pleco, is keeping calm and carrying on! She can't remember what the fuss is about!

