



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been brilliant to have so much teaching going on in the school and to see many Year 10 students. I think they have enjoyed being back in school and having some sort of normality again. I have decided to extend the 'face to face' contact with Year 10 by trying to get more students in every day. Furthermore, we have invited every Tutor Group into school to meet their Tutor and have a chance to catch up with one another. They will meet in groups of 10 students at a time over the remaining weeks. I feel this is important from a pastoral point of view and it means that every student will have had the opportunity to be on the Tomlinscote site before the summer break. I have outlined these ideas in a parental update sent out yesterday (<https://www.tomlinscoteschool.com/attachments/download.asp?file=2851&type=pdf>) and this includes the link to the latest key worker Google Form.

With so many staff coming into school over the next few weeks, I would like to stress that something has to give. Consequently, there may be less feedback to your son/daughter and reduced Home Learning contact in the next few weeks.

Last night we distributed our virtual Year 6 Transition video to our new parents. Like everything else at the moment, the whole induction programme has needed to change. We are having a Year 6 Induction Day on Wednesday 2nd September 2020 and a few students will get the chance to visit the school in July.

The Face shield production initiative has come to an end, I am really pleased to announce that we made:

Face shields - 2861, Scrub bags - 386, Ear relievers - 635, Scrub hats - 60, Face masks for NHS - 29 and 4 Scrubs.

This is quite remarkable and I feel that Tomlinscote has really supported the local community at this difficult time. Thank you to Mrs. Lines who led this initiative and the team of happy volunteers.

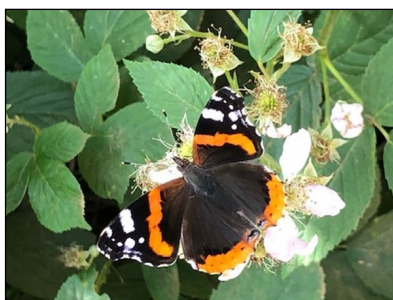
I would like to highlight our last INSET of the year which was postponed from May. It will be on Wednesday 8th July 2020 and I think the majority of our students thoroughly deserve a day off from Home Learning.

I hope you enjoy the Newsletter, it is interesting to see the excerpt from 1977. There will be much more over the next few weeks looking back at our history at Tomlinscote. I will be sending out a request for old photos from ex-students so please look out for those old photo albums. Have a good weekend.

Mr. Major

Sun, steps, scenery and School Distance Challenge!

Sisters Ava and Jayme from Year 7, recently walked 5 miles across the North Downs Way and in doing so clocked up steps for the School Distance Challenge. They took in the wonderful panoramic views and managed to photograph a Common Blue and Red Admiral butterfly too.

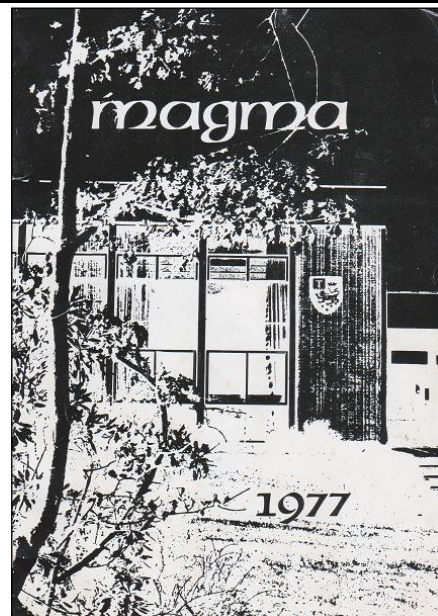


Newsletter News

By now, you will all be familiar with the format of the Tomlinscote Newsletter. During normal term time it is filled with articles about trips that have taken place, performances, displays and classroom activities. During lockdown it has become a portal through which we have kept in touch and enabled us to feel together as a community even though the restrictions have prevented it.

The Tomlinscote Newsletter didn't used to be like this, in fact it was only produced once a year and was circulated as a printed booklet. It was called 'Magma' and contained, as now a piece by the Head teacher, student work, House news, school productions and much more.

See below for the account of the 1977 School Year, written by two students there at the time. The reporting of performances by the Sixth Form group 'Union Jack' conjures up interesting images!



Account of the School Year 1977

"The new school year commenced in early September after a break of six weeks. For the first time Tomlinscote, which has been growing since 1970, has its full quota of pupils ranging from the second year to the upper sixth year, a total of one thousand, one hundred and fifty children.

Early in September, trips were organised for pupils to the popular Richmond Ice Rink and to other destinations designed to satisfy a wide range of interests.

Visits of a more academic nature have been undertaken by members of the Sixth Form as a part of their course-work. This took the form of Geography and Biology field- trips to various regions of Britain.

In the sphere of musical interest, the orchestra took part in the Woking Music Festival, giving an outstanding performance and being awarded an honours certificate. On a less traditional note, discos organised by both the sixth form and houses were enjoyed by a wide range of pupils and the appearance of the sixth form group 'Union Jack' proved popular on these occasions.

The approach of Christmas saw an intensification of extra-curricular activities. The end of term was preceded by the customary school carol service held at St. Peter's Church, Frimley. Many pupils also took part in carol-singing on local estates in order to raise money for house charities.

The Spring term commenced with Upper Sixth Formers immediately facing two weeks of 'A' Level trials. The fifth year continued their 'O' Level Trial Examinations.

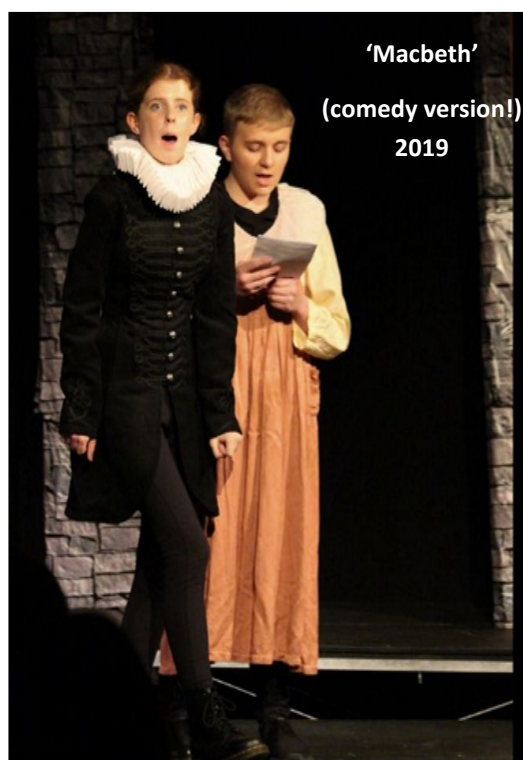
The 25th February was the departure date for a group of fourth year pupils, their destination the homes of some of the inhabitants of St. Aubin les Elbeuf in France. They returned eleven days later and their French counterparts arrived in Camberley during late March in order to sample life in an English school and to visit local places of interest.

This term was important for third years who faced many decisions concerning careers and 'O' Level prospects. They were aided in their choice by the Annual Careers' Day which this year presented an unprecedented selection of possible careers.

1977 account cont'd

Spring term brought notable successes for the school in district competitions. Tomlinscote fourth years won the Road Safety Competition held at Collingwood School and Tomlinscote, this year the host school, also achieved an outstanding result in the Public Speaking Competition when two Sixth Year pupils won all the prizes.

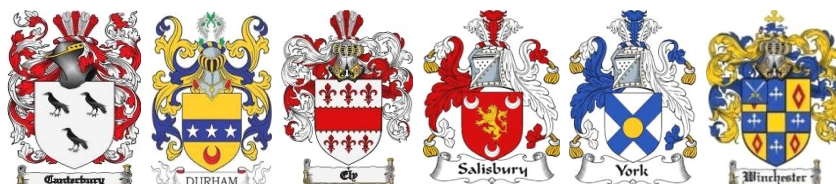
'Romeo and Juliet' the school's first Shakespearian production was greeted with great enthusiasm and marked the end of the Spring Term" (written by 2 students)



It's very interesting to see that back in 1977 Tomlinscote Drama Department put on 'Romeo and Juliet'. As you will recall, our most recent production was a comedy version of 'Macbeth'. Clearly times have not changed that much. Even the costumes have an uncanny resemblance.

Last year, as you will recall, we decided to reintroduce a House system, dividing up the student population into 5 Houses, Mandela, Rowling, Pankhurst, Attenborough and Hawking.

Back in 1977, Tomlinscote again had houses. There were 6 and they were named after cathedral cities in England, namely Canterbury, Durham, Ely, Salisbury, York and Winchester.

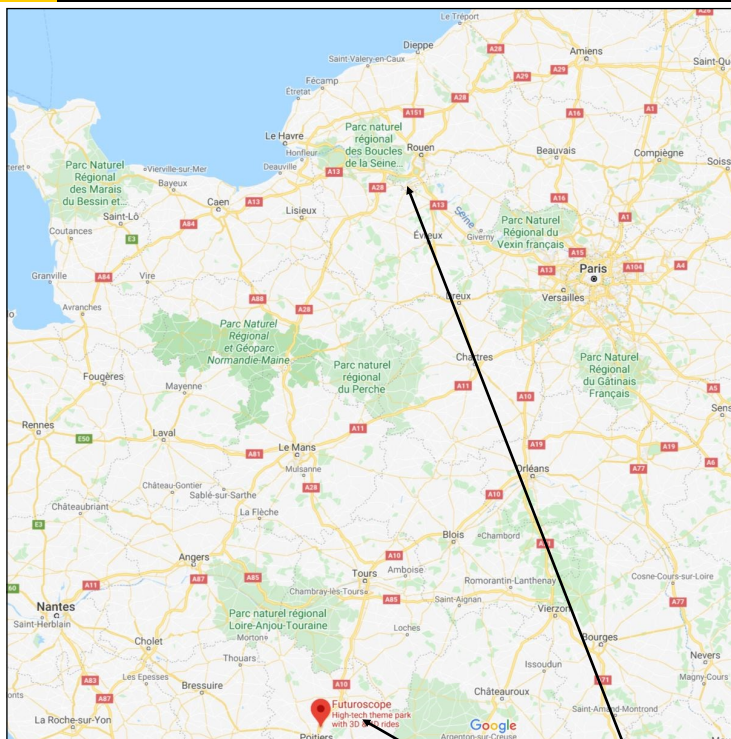


Exchange Trips - then and now

The French Exchange Trip had a very similar feel to the trip we know today. Students still had to arrive at school very early travelling on to Newhaven from where they caught a ferry to Dieppe.

On arriving in France, however, instead of the coach travel undertaken today, they caught a train to Rouen where they got a connection to Elbeuf. The daily routines, however, were very similar. Students spent the week experiencing French family life and were bombarded with the French language. They also visited the local town to practise their French in the local shops and cafes.

Due to the 1977 French destination being further East, students were able to benefit from a trip to Paris, managing a trip up the Eiffel Tower and a tour of the Palace of Versailles.



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Signing off with a flourish!



Emma Coates from 9L has been combining her Home Learning with another very special and worthwhile life skill.

Emma has been working extremely hard in order to get her British Sign Language Qualification. Having put in hours of work she passed the examination with 100% pass rate. Due to her commitment and determination she was awarded the full qualification.

Congratulations Emma on learning a skill that will benefit so many people.



Thursday 25th June 2020

Corona Cat



Ugh. Let's be honest, it is waaaay too hot this week. Do you know how we sweat? We don't get the hedonic joy of bucketfuls of the salty goodness slipping from our furry figures in glistening waterfalls. No no, we get paw pads. Yup, you heard me: paw pads. Ooh, and also the little spaces between our toes - you know the ones that are squished together and *full of fur*.

Now I know a lot of people aren't a fan of cats, and I'll be the first to admit, we generally deserve it. I've known a Felix who would knock everything off windowsills in his bid for supremacy (what a weirdo, eh?). And Deacon from across the road likes to take his human live rats (what a show off!). But me? I don't bite, I don't scratch, I am a veritable Adonis of the feline variety. All I'm asking for is one iota of respect. Let me sweat!

Or, you know, give me a marble floor. I mean, I'm not *picky or anything*.



PPE - Practice, Produce, Equip!

The final total of Tomlinscote produced PPE has been calculated. I don't think we could have imagined the numbers of individual pieces we as a school would end up producing.

Not only have we provided equipment for various medical establishments, care homes and pharmacies, but it would appear that we have started a new wave of sewing amongst staff!



In addition Mrs Shlackman and Mrs Vincent made 4 complete sets of scrubs which are incredibly time consuming due to their complexity.

The majority of equipment went to the following places:

The East Coast Ambulance Service

Our local hospitals (including Frimley and Wexham, Fleet, Farnham and the Royal Surrey),

Local doctors surgeries in Frimley, Camberley and Farnborough.

Local Primary Schools and Care Homes.

As well as travelling to those in need in hospitals as far as Central London and even Nottingham.

There has been a huge wave of gratitude from everyone, some of the calls for help were very desperate and they were duly overwhelmed when we were able to meet their requirements.

None of this would have happened without staff giving up a considerable amount of time and effort. In addition, the support from Tomlinscote and the Prospect Trust has been amazing. The Finance department in particular were great at sorting resources for production.

One member of staff who said that she would "never get on a sewing machine" is now the proud owner of one. We hear Mrs Rust is looking forward to the new staff sewing club starting up!

There are groups around the neighbourhood still making various items for the NHS if you would like to get involved. 'Sew to support' and 'Scrub glorious scrubs' being two of them.

Congratulations and thank you to everyone who helped make this venture such a huge success.



**Herzliche Grüße an
euch alle!**

The German Department
took a picture while on
their German Department
live team talk on Tuesday.

They wanted to say “Guten
Tag” to all of their students.



Ginger Ninjas spotted in Geography Department

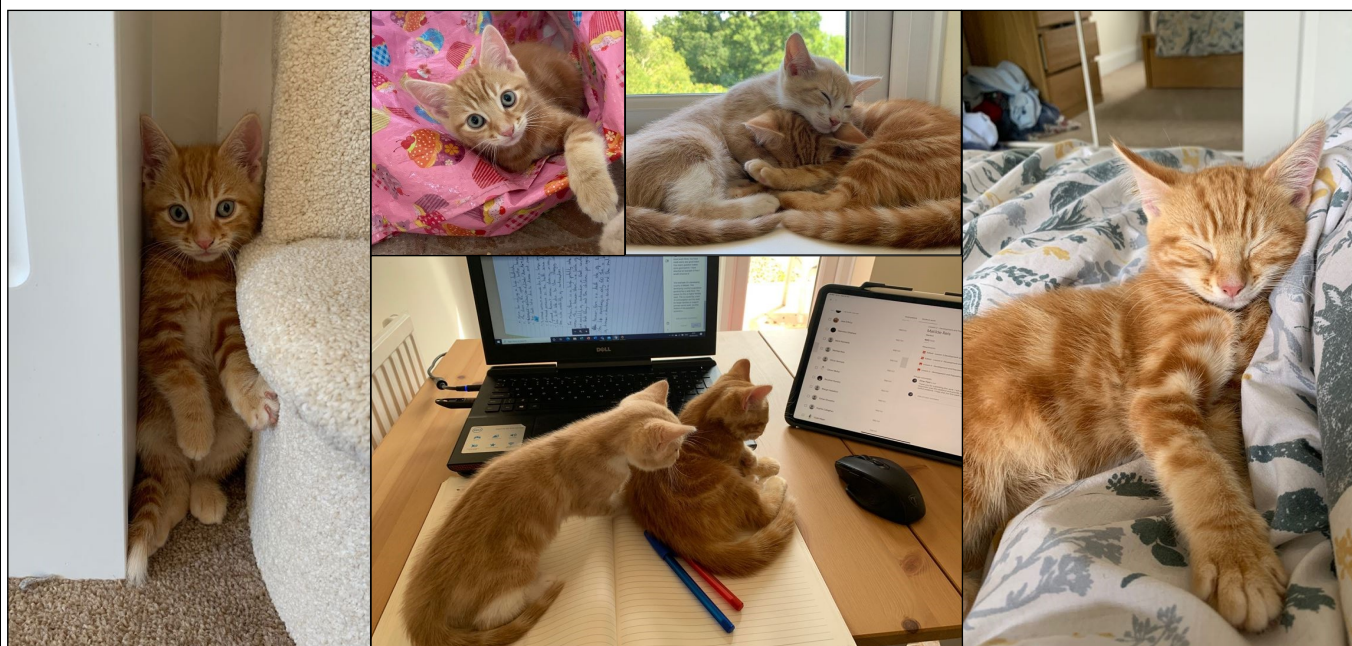
Mr Field will no doubt have studied the terrain and geographical landscapes of the big cats, however he now has another area to study, namely the hiding places and habitats of the small cat!

Mr Field and his partner have wanted cats since buying their first home. Archie and Ru are brothers who were rescued by the 'Here for Cats' Charity.

They were asked if they would like to give them a home and they just couldn't say no to them. It all happened really fast, the charity contacted them on the last day of the previous half term and they were settling in by the following Tuesday! They are clearly being spoilt rotten, but their favourite toys are cardboard boxes.

Archie (the darker one) is definitely bolder and more boisterous. Whilst Ru is the calm and collected 'Brains' of the operation.

Their current hobbies include scaling trousers, making surprise appearances in lesson recordings and spamming the 7M tutor page. They have both settled in really well as the 'Lords of the Manor'.



The pies have it!

This is a perfect example of a pie chart cooked up by Year 9 Hospitality and Catering students this week.



Isaac Ferris



Amelia Lewis



Alfie Dando



Erin Harvey



Caitlyn Westmeijer



Poppy Latchford



Poppy Bouch



Yalamber Limbu

Roll up roll up!

Year 9 Hospitality and Catering have been learning the 'whisking' method of cake making this week. See below for the 'Roll of Honour'



Amelia Lewis



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HEGARTY HEROES

This week's Hegarty Leaderboard

Year 7

1 st	Charlie Green	200
2 nd	Ryan Hunter	140
3 rd	Karolina Jones	140

Year 8

1 st	Michael Haig	163
2 nd	Adinaraian Singh	102
3 rd	Zainudeen Hussain	101



hegartymaths

Based on the number of
correct questions answered
15th June – 21st June

Year 9

1 st	Maya Dayanandan	203
2 nd	Caitlyn Westmeijer	141
3 rd	Adam Roberts	87

Year 10

1 st	Troy Lewis	238
2 nd	Eva Mair	165
3 rd	William Ryan	138



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helpdesk@tomlinscoteschool.com

Isaac and the sun rise early!



Isaac from 10H, was due to take part in his first 24 hour mountain bike relay race as a senior last weekend.

The event was obviously cancelled but the organisers challenged all entrants to submit photos that captured 'the spirit of 24 hour racing'.

As the best lap of the race is always the dawn lap, Isaac was up very early on the morning of the Summer Solstice to ride his bike and capture a photo as the sun came up.

The problem with photographing sunrise on the Summer Solstice is how early it actually comes up! It was a 3.30am alarm call, but by 5am Isaac was back in bed and had resumed normal teenage activity!

Congratulations to Isaac for capturing the beautiful sunrise and truly entering into the spirit of the competition.

We hope that Isaac gets the opportunity to take part in the event next year.

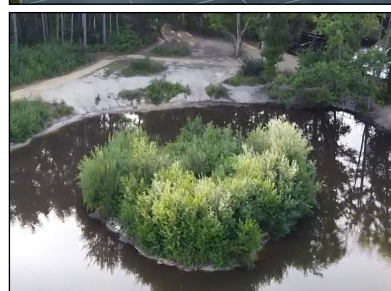
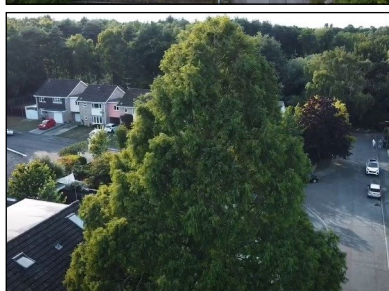
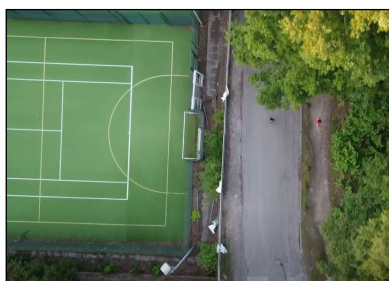
Droning on!

Ali Khan from 9X has created a film montage of the area in which he lives.

It's certainly one way of covering a lot of area while social distancing. Well done for your fabulous short film which covers a host of different locations.

Click below for the YouTube link:

<https://youtu.be/MXkZm0nUGK4>



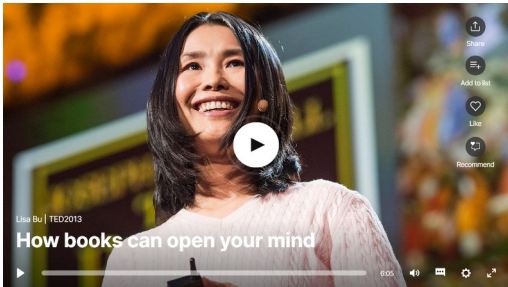
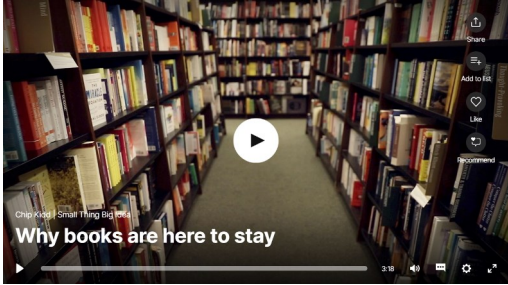

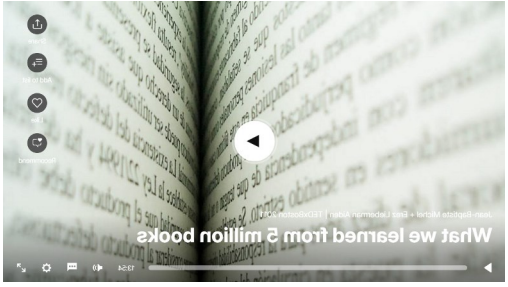



FROM THE LRC



This week we wanted to provide some awesome resources **about** literature. We've compiled a selection of interesting TED talks which we think students and parents will enjoy watching.

Happy learning!

 <p>Lisa Bu TED2013 How books can open your mind</p>	<p>How books can open your mind By Lisa Bu https://www.ted.com/talks/lisa_bu_how_books_can_open_your_mind</p>
 <p>Chip Kidd Small Things Big Ideas Why books are here to stay</p>	<p>Why books are here to stay By Chip Kidd https://www.ted.com/talks/chip_kidd_why_books_are_here_to_stay</p>
 <p>Kate Messner TED-Ed How to build a fictional world</p>	<p>How to build a fictional world By Kate Messner https://www.ted.com/talks/kate_messner_how_to_build_a_fictional_world</p>
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The Final Event!



HOUSE OLYMPICS

THINK OF THE OLYMPICS WITH A TOMLINSCOTE TWIST...

THE THIRD AND FINAL CATEGORY IS ...

ARTS & CRAFTS!

22nd June - 3rd July

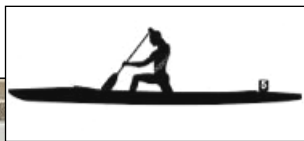
It's time to get innovative! Design and create your sports clothes, posters, medals, equipment or Olympic torch.



How to enter? Simply take a photo of your creation and upload it to the google classroom 7fmq5j6. Please include: Details of your house, tutor group and name of your event. In addition, please confirm that you have permission for your photographs to be used in the weekly newsletter.

Don't forget to follow the government guidelines on HEALTH, SAFETY and SOCIAL DISTANCING when participating!

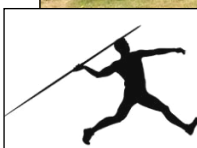
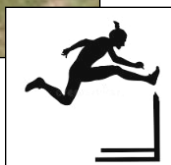
'The Tomlinscote Take' on an Olympic Pose



Jack from 7X, doesn't have far to go for a post event ice bath, he will need it as he has clearly won gold!



Naomi from 9P made her own hurdle using garden chairs and a broom. We hope she makes it a clean sweep!



Jay from 7H, has literally thrown himself into this Javelin challenge by launching a giant chopstick, we think the discus might have been easier, he could have just used a plate!

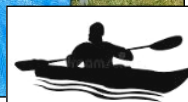
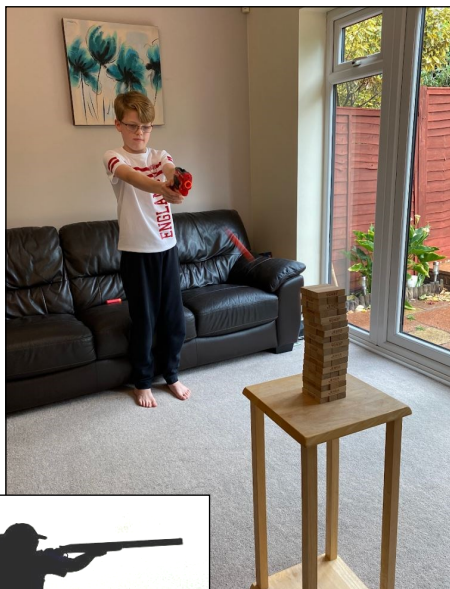


Emma from 7H, is piling on the pressure with her swim across the carpet!

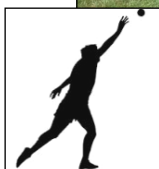


Eva from 7H wants to add another string to her bow. It looks as though she has managed a good solo attempt!

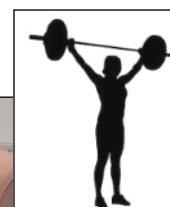
Jay from 7R is firing on all cylinders, we think this could be messy!



Scarlett Woolger appears to have run aground, but she still looks oarsome!



Mrs Sparkes was feeling **meloncholy**, so decided to give Shot Put a go!



Eva from 7H also decided to give weightlifting a go, we think she wishes her brother was a little smaller!



Mrs Carpenter decided to give the new Olympic event of Speed Climbing a go.

We hope the only way is up!



When Mrs Fernandes decided to do some fencing we envisaged panels and posts not sieves and mops! She still managed to put up a great defence pose.

Here we get the opportunity to find out a little bit more about our teachers at Tomlinson.

Mrs Matous has stepped into the spotlight this week with guest appearance by 'Corona Cat'



What career path would you have chosen if you hadn't become a teacher?

I'd love to work with 'Habitat for Humanity' to eliminate housing poverty.

Who would play you in a film about your life?

Sandra Bullock – (yes, even though she's 20 years older than me!)

What is the best and worst thing about being in lockdown?

The best was learning to longboard – with fewer cars on the road we could really get into the hills.

The worst... not being able to cuddle anyone outside my household – the neighbour's dog thinks I don't like her anymore!

Do you have any phobias?

My teeth breaking! Really creeps me out – I chipped one when I dove into the shallow end of a pool once... could've been so much worse!

What's your all-time favourite film?

Top Gun

What is the best present you have ever received?

Golden Circle tickets to see the Rolling Stones play at Twickenham.

What were your first impressions of Tomlinson School?

I was really impressed by how active the teachers and students were.

What's your favourite holiday destination?

Cambodia, for sure. It has such a tragic past, but the country is truly beautiful and really diverse with such wonderful people.

What is your favourite comfort food?

Stone baked sourdough pizza; we've had to hide the pizza oven!

What's the best piece of advice you have ever received?

Be present in the moment and intentional in your actions – savour the experience.

Thank you Mrs Matous.

Our Comfort Providers

During this difficult period of time, a few articles have been written about how much our pets are helping us out with companionship and offering solace and routine.

"Animals are proving a lifesaver for many, providing companionship and consistency in uncertain times"

"The benefits of pet ownership for health and wellbeing are well-documented, reducing loneliness and anxiety, lending daily structure, and lifting mood."

And that's in normal circumstances. In lockdown, pets are proving a lifesaver for many, providing companionship, consistency and even joy".



As a result, this is the time to send in pictures of you and your pet/s to show how much they have helped you. Whether it has been as company during your Home Learning sessions, accompanying you on your walks, joining you for much needed down time or joining you for mealtimes!

If you would like to provide photos please send them to jcarpenter@tomlinscoteschool.com

Please ensure that you have permission for your photo to feature in School Newsletters.

The Newsletter team has been struggling a little with the heat this week. Both Boris and Kipper have complained about working conditions, hence have contributed nothing.

We hope that you have been enjoying the warm weather and getting some valuable time outside.

It has been lovely to see some of our Year 10 students in this week, it hopefully heralds the start of things becoming a little more normal.

Take care and stay safe

Mrs Carpenter.

