



CLIFTON END OF YEAR NEWSLETTER

July 2020

Thank you for the hard work, effort and dedication to all students studying during the pandemic.

HELLO!

On Monday 15th June, 60 pupils attended lessons in their option subjects in Zone 1 and Zone 2. Pupils were taught in small groups and rearranged classrooms to ensure social distancing was adhered to. A one-way system was set up around the corridors so pupils could move safely around school.



Pupils in Zone 1 came back to school on the 15th June. With the help of Mr Potts and Mr Thomas, our DT, Construction and Engineering pupils have been building walls, working with electronics and designing products. Miss Green and Miss Charlton have been working with pupils in Art, Textiles, Graphics and Photography to build their portfolios. Mrs Hewitt has also led Business classes where pupils have revised GCSE work. Mr Duroe is Head of Zone 1, and is over the moon with pupils' behaviour and attitude, he has really enjoyed seeing pupils in school and working hard in practical subjects.

Zone 2 opened on 22nd June, led by Miss Hamilton. Here, pupils have been working with Mrs Smith, Mr Hammil, Mrs Stewart, Miss Miller, Miss Kandola, Mrs Bittles-Kincaid, Miss Colbear and Mrs Fields. These pupils have been focusing on their GCSE courses including Psychology, History, Food, Child Development, Spanish, Dance and Geography. Miss Hamilton has also been very impressed with pupils' effort and has praised their work ethic and dedication in recent weeks.

In other good news, Miss Eyre and Mr Fisher have been ensuring pupils stay active - leading Sport classes on the Astro. Pupils have loved the opportunity to get outside and exercise! Before the end of term, Zone 3 will be open and pupils will also be able to access Maths and Science lessons.

Mr Hardcastle thanks staff for their hard work and dedication, working against all odds to ensure that pupils here at Clifton are able to access school despite these tough times. Pupil's behaviour and attitude has been exemplary - testament to the Clifton Way...

Head of Year Messages

Year 7

Year 7 have worked exceptionally hard during these unprecedented times. Both Mrs Simpson and I have been extremely proud of the dedication that Year 7 have put into their home learning. Students have had a range of pastoral tasks to keep them occupied including a variety of reading tasks such as VE day, Wind rush Day and animals on the brink of extinction. Students have also been set tasks such as to create a mindfulness jar, take part in the around the world activities and a research project for diversity which helped them meet one of their pledges. As always, Year 7 have thrived from these activities and have tried their very best. A range of students were also asked to help offer some advice and guidance for the Y6s that will be joining us in September - so many offered brilliant comments about their time at Clifton so far and this information was used in the virtual transition day. There has been a lot of positivity from the students in Year 7 and I look forward to seeing you all again soon. Keep trying your best and working hard and remember to stay safe. We will be back at Clifton all together before we know it!

Year 8

Y8 have proved themselves to be committed learners during these unprecedented times. Mr Davis and I have been extremely proud to see the effort and determination by students to engage with home learning. Form tutors have enjoyed engaging in google classroom meets with students and ensuring that each student has a wellbeing check in. Students have engaged in a number of activities alongside their academic studies, these have included PE challenges, wellbeing activities and taking part in VE day celebrations. I have no doubt that moving into Y9, students will enjoy the same success as they have in their first two years at Clifton. I look forward to seeing you all again soon, keep trying your best, be kind and look after each other as I know you will.

Year 9

Year 9 students have worked incredibly hard during these challenging times. Miss Hemmingway and myself are incredibly proud of the resilience shown by our students. It has been delightful to see so many of our Year 9 students taking part in our weekly PE and Wellbeing activities. As a result of their efforts, many of our students have managed to tick off some of their pledges. The positive attitude to learning and the effort to complete home learning has been brilliant. Year 10 looks to be a promising year for our students and I can't wait to see you all again. Keep up the hard work and you will see the benefits when you return. We are proud of you!

Year 10

Year 10 have recently focused on improving their awareness of careers. Each week students have had an insight into a different career; learning of the qualifications and skills required and hearing of a first hand account of someone employed in that position. They have also been signposted to websites where they can explore their likes and dislikes to suggest potential careers and where they can explore careers further. Each week students are encouraged to get involved in reading activities to improve their literacy skills and the 5 ways to wellbeing which suggests activities to keep engaged and promote mental wellbeing. Year 10 have demonstrated positivity throughout lockdown and we at Clifton eagerly anticipate their return to studies.

Creative Arts

The creative Arts department has had a fantastic year and has continued to do so during lockdown. KS3 students have achieved some brilliant outcomes and KS4 - year 9 have been working hard on their skills ready for year 10. Some year 10 have been continuing their studies in school twice a week and it has been lovely to see them working so hard.

During lockdown students have entered a couple of photography competitions one for the national portrait gallery and one that is a local competition called 'Capture Rotherham' Textile students have been working on a visual journal and Art students have been continuing their drawing studies, some documenting their surroundings and their daily food intake! As a department we have been very proud of how hard students have worked and used their creative initiative to continue their studies.

We started the year on a high with our year 11 exhibition at the riverside library with past students coming to see their work being celebrated and the hospitality students serving drinks and canapés.

Holly parkinson won the christmas Card competitions set across all the schools in the MAT.

Congratulations to Miss Smally who successfully passed her teacher training year and will joining us as a Creative Arts teacher in September.

Have a great summer holiday and we look forward to welcoming you all back in September, Stay safe and stay creative. The Creative Arts Team.



English

It's been a strange year, but students have continued to engage with their English work in a positive way, and the English department have been impressed and humbled by the way in which many of you have faced the challenges of the school closure – a big well done from all of us in English!

This term, KS3 have continued working on their creative writing. They have been building and refining valuable skills that will ensure their transition into the next year group in September is as smooth as possible. A large majority of Y10 have continued to impress us with their online learning engagement: Mrs Mather and Miss Allison have been amazed by the student contribution in Google Meet lessons, and Miss Beard has thoroughly enjoyed reading the responses submitted by her class.

Before the school closure, there were many fantastic events to reflect upon in English. Year Eight took a trip back in time, with half of the year visiting Eden Camp, and the rest experiencing the Royal Armouries Museum in Leeds. Both trips were a huge success in giving pupils valuable experiences to draw upon when writing creatively; there were smiles all-round throughout the day and students thoroughly enjoyed both attractions! We also had our yearly visit from the Young Shakespeare Company, who turned our Performance Hall at Clifton into a theatre in the round and mesmerised Y10 with a live action performance of Macbeth; this performance was invaluable in ensuring students had a full understanding of one of their key GCSE texts. Finally, we enjoyed a jam-packed English Week and World Book Day in March. Miss Wilkinson certainly had her work cut out to top last year's efforts, but she successfully managed, with book sales, reading cafes, book hunts, book cover bunting, poetry writing workshops and so much more! Students from all year groups took part in the many activities offered and they especially enjoyed seeing all the staff dressed up as their favourite literary characters!

Zara Hussain (Y10) for her outstanding contribution to every lesson and an amazing Spoken Language piece!

Keren Mafuta (Y8) – Miss Allison has been thoroughly impressed with her effort throughout the year.

Luke Steane (Y10) for unwavering commitment to his studies and excellent contributions in online lessons.

Murham El Siddig (Y8) for a huge improvement in attitude and effort throughout the year.

Connor Wright (Y7) for always showing brilliant commitment to his English lessons.

Denisa-Mihaela Gaurice (Y9) – Miss Wilkinson is impressed that she is always engaged and ready to learn, and for continually looking to improve her work.

From Miss Beard and the English Faculty: Have a fantastic summer, be safe, and we can't wait to see you all in September.



Geography and History

In Humanities this year we have been busy finding out about the world and how it came to be the place it is today. In History and Geography we have endeavoured to continue to engage our students in the world around them and piece together the pictures of the past. Many students have enjoyed engaging with a range of interactive home learning activities throughout lockdown.

In history this past term we have been remotely finding out about famous figures from the past and medieval life in Y7 and the mysteries of the Titanic in Y8. Y9 have been looking at what the world was like between the wars; while our GCSE students have been making revision resources to use next year in their exams.

In Geography we have been covering a range of topics with each year group. Y7 have been working on topics including Weather and Climate, Africa and are finishing the year looking at Tourism. Y8 have studied Rivers and Flooding, learnt about India and have thought out urban issues and problems around the world. Y9 have been working on their GCSE skills and knowledge on Urban issues and Living world topics. Y10 have been working hard on their GCSE knowledge on Changing Economic world and developing their exam skills.

For history the highlight of the year has been seeing the students tackle lockdown in such a resilient manner. They have truly embodied the Clifton Way in all its aspects.

Geography Highlights include some of the fantastic work we have received during lockdown from students who have worked so hard to continue their learning during this difficult time. Well Done Geographers!

Some students have gone above and beyond this year; maintaining excellent levels of work and commitment to their history studies, in particular Codie Nixon, Ellie Haywood, Molly Lewin and Zara Hussain in Y10, Kaycie Cramner, Connor Wright and Abdoullie Dibba in Y7 and Hamna Masood in Y8.

In Geography special mentions go to:

Laurentui Sipos Y7 has worked fantastically during lockdown. He has completed all work and produced some very creative work.

Y7 Ester Ruvimba- helps others and always asks for extra tasks. Completes all work to an excellent standard.

Y7 Oscar West- Work is fantastic and always goes the extra mile to add detail and present his work with pride.

Y7 Saim Khan- gives 100% effort every lesson, always challenges himself.

Y8 Muskan Urooj - never gives up, great attitude to learning.

Y8 Miroslav Horvath - made real progress this year, given 100% every single lesson.

Y9 Zaynab Ahmed- shows resilience and consistently follows the geography way

Y9 Adam Salah- Always gives thoughtful answers using his wider knowledge. Worked really well during lockdown completing tasks to a high standard.

Pharrell Matouka Y9 who without fail has completed his work for Geography throughout lockdown. He has tried his best, often completing more than he was asked to and the most cheerful student by email!

Y9 Muhammed Hussain- works to the best of his ability without fail.

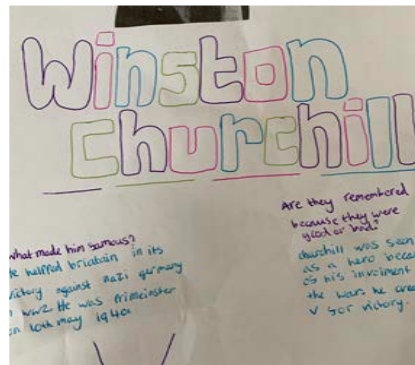
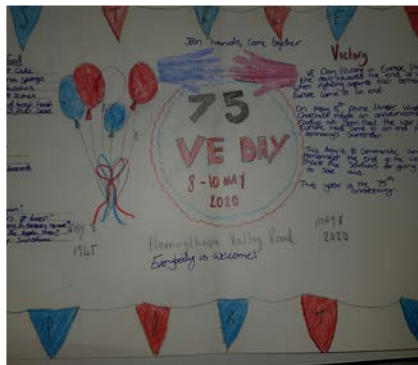
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Y10 -Leah Ripley - For not giving up even when she finds it hard, she lacks confidence but doesn't let this stop her in class or at home. She has completed work each and every week without fail.

Y10 Hammad Masood- Always puts 100% effort into his work even during lockdown.

Y10 Ellie Hodges - always completes work to a great standard, improved her exam techniques and always gives 100%

Have a great summer and we will see you in September!



PSHE

As you may or may not be aware, the government has introduced new Relationships, Sex and Health Education guidance for schools to follow from September 2020. At Clifton, we have always worked hard to deliver high quality PSHE education which supports students' well-being and allows them to leave school fully able to play their full role in society. However, we have created a new RSHE policy which clearly explains the new and existing information regarding this. To read the policy, please visit our website. As always please email the Headteacher at the below address should you have any concerns or require additional information (thardcastle@cliftonschoool.org).

Contact Miss Miller for some information that might help you to understand the new Relationships, Sex and Health Education guidance for schools and what your rights are as a parent in relation to this.

ICT and Business Studies

As the school year for 2020 comes to an end we have been looking back over the progress you have all made so far this year. We had a brilliant start to the year and can't wait to see you all again in September.

This last term has seen our Year 7 and 8 pupils doing lots of recapping work to help them remember the vital information they have learnt so far in ICT and we have also tried to prepare you for the next steps in our curriculum by sending some topics for home learning that are new so that we can be ready to hit the ground running when we return for the next academic year. We have seen some fabulous work from our KS4 students also with many of you really working hard which has been brilliant to see given the current circumstances. We can't wait to welcome you all back to ICT, Business Studies and Computer Science in September - don't forget to keep revising and practicing whilst enjoying your summer!

Well done to Luke Steane, Nader Ali, Saleh Ali, Jamal Hussain, Zaynah Munir, Malykah Hussain, Shahnaz Qanbari and Mahnoor Sohail from Year 10 (Business and Computer Science) for excellent attitudes to learning both in school and then during the home learning period.

Connie Watson and Zaynab Ahmed from Year 9 for their dedication to Business Studies this year.

Year 8 hard workers in ICT this year consists of Alisha Hussain, Rawa Al-Zindani, Isa Karim, Layla Salem, Ethan Newton, Alexander Raistrick, Maryam Bagzad, Lauren Blackett, Hamna Masood and Charlie Wilson.

Our Year 7s who have stuck out for all the right reasons are Ella Oxborough, Vine Sadeck, Jine Sadeck, Ukashah Munir, Harrison Flint, Yusuf Azam, Rayan Ahmed, Allegresse Apangande, Oscar West, Jessica Kaur, Sumayya Ahmed and Josh Myers.



Maths

“Life is a maths equation. In order to gain the most, you have to know how to convert negatives into positives.”

The maths department has been very busy transforming from in class learning to online learning. All the teachers are very proud of how the children have adapted and are continuing to build their knowledge and skills ready for when we are back in the classroom. The staff are busy making plans for September and are looking forward to having full and noisy classrooms again. A message to all the students: Please keep up your maths skills throughout the holidays, have a lovely summer, stay safe and we will hopefully see you all raring to go in September.

Over the past term there has been a focus on recapping and reviewing previous material. The work which has been produced has been fantastic. We have received top quality practice papers, revision sheets and worksheets. At the time of writing a whopping 10,806 questions have been attempted on Mathswatch - this is a credit to the children across all year groups. Fantastic effort!

This year the children have really enjoyed the challenge of completing the department's new loyalty cards. They get to fill in a star for various reasons, including doing well in an in class task, completing homework or giving an excellent explanation to a problem. Once they have filled in all 9 stars, they receive a CFP, a postcard home, and enter the prize draw to win £10 at the end of every half term. In total, up to lockdown, a massive 1035 postcards had been sent home. This is purely down to the hard work of the students and is a great recognition of the quality work that has been completed and the distinguished attitudes of the students.

In November we held our annual Maths week. Students across all year groups took part in various maths based games and activities in class and at break times. Highlights included teacher vs pupil connect 4 and the Year 7 aeroplane building competition. This was well received by all pupils and this year's winning plane, built and flown by Jedidja Mafuta, crowned Miss Williams's class the winners of the aeroplane race for the second year running. It was a fun week for all and staff commented on how nice it was to see pupils, of all ages, engaging in maths outside of normal class time.

A Special mention must go to our team of year 8 and 9 students who competed in the UK Maths team challenge. Danielle Kubwayo, Boris Abaffy, Logan McCloud and Hamna Masood, all represented the school fantastically, answering complex maths problems and embodying the Clifton Way by being determined and not giving up. Their resolve paid off and they improved the schools ranking from the year before. Well done all!

This years loyalty card winners were:

Year 7 - Haniah Kahn, David Horvath and Larissa Angel

Year 8 -Daniel Gilak, Loren Brownlow and Jenson Ramsden

Year 9 - Talha Munir, Logan McCloud and Abigail Ford

Year 10 - Alexandra Whetstone, Kashif Husaain and Grace Daplet

Year 11 - Ales Gina, Sabeegah Aslam and Jan Sevcik

This years Maths stars, for embodying the Maths Way, which have been displayed in the maths corridor since Christmas were:

Mr Jones - Ellie Haywood, Jessica Kaur and Chantal Byaho

Miss Williams - Courtney Morton, Tyler Richardson and Ellie Kent

Mrs Liversidge - Denisa-Mihaela Gaurice, Tomas Varga and Monea Musa

Miss Bacon - Jine Sadek, Maryam Bagzad and Jaydon Cockle

Mrs Thompson - Jeniece Bean, Luke Fox and David Horvath

Mrs Horner - Megan Deville, Shagufta Muhammed and Kane Gunn

Mr Thompson - Uwais Aslam, Alojz Kandrak and Livia Horvathova

Miss Razaq - Venesa Dzudza, Jan Sevcik and Alexandra Whetstone

Mr King - Hannah Franklin, Rene Gazi and Sofian Nawaz

Miss Weatherill - Laiba Haq, Caleb Rodwell and Kati Tingle

Fantastic effort everyone!



As the school year comes to an end, it is time to take a look back at a very different type of language learning that many students have just taken into their stride and have shown some excellent progress.

This half term, KS3 students have been working very hard to recap the work covered throughout the year and have also continued to learn some new topics. We are pleased with the perseverance and dedication many students have shown. We have continued to enjoy battling against a number of students each lunchtime on the vocabulary learning app called Quizlet and we would love to see even more students getting involved so watch out for the Google Classroom update every day at 12:50pm. A number of KS4 Spanish students have continued to impress us with their hard work in home learning making sure they have the best chance of success in their exams next year and Miss Kandola has enjoyed seeing some faces onsite too!

Before school went into lockdown, we enjoyed a number of events within the Spanish department and we cannot wait for more events in the future. In September, year 7 and year 9 students began buzzing towards the Spelling and Translation Bee competitions with Mehak Bi (Y7) and Tehmeed Mian (Y9) being crowned the Clifton school winners. We hope to continue the competition when school returns in the Autumn. At Christmas, KS4 students dined at a delicious tapas restaurant in Sheffield before enjoying a series of fantastic short Spanish films at Sheffield Hallam University. Just before we broke up for the Christmas break, students from year 7, 8 and 9 danced the evening away in our Christmas disco and enjoyed treats from our sweet shop to raise money for the Spanish residential. Later, in February, the languages corridor was full of colour as we learned about the Carnival that is celebrated around the Spanish speaking world.



Masks were adorned with thousand of brightly coloured feathers and the displays made were magnificent. Sadly, our residential to Spain had to be cancelled but we are looking forward to potential trips to explore Spain in the future.

Ellie Haywood, Molly Smith, Jordan Blackshaw, Zanerrah Basharat, Shahnaz Qanbari, Tehreem Mian, Vanessa Gaborova and Malykah Hussain (Y10) - for completion of all work to an outstanding effort and attending online lessons/ working hard in school during lockdown.

Abigail Foord, Tehmeed Mian, Denisa-Mihaela Gaurice and Alisha Khan (Y9) for ensuring all home learning is complete to the highest of standards.

Maryam Bagzad, Ellie-Mae Wilson, Zaynab Hussain, Ibrahim Awan, Eman Abdulrahman, Mohja Ismaeel, Sarah Ibdali (Y8) for working hard every lesson both during lockdown and before.

Allegresse Apangande, Husna Hussain, Jessica Kaur, Oscar West, Evie Battye, Stuart Barker, Zakia Bi, Jagoda Dluzniewska, Shagufta Younas and Connor Wright for enthusiasm and excellent hard work in every Spanish lesson this year (Y7)





'Getting Active' is essential to your Physical, Social & Mental well being. With this in mind, the PE faculty has been sharing lots of simple ideas on how to complete a little exercise every day in order to keep fit and healthy. A variety of weekly challenges have also been a great way to get moving and make the most of the fresh air. Pupils have shared their daily exercise routines and attempts at the challenges via Clifton-PE@Clifton school.org or at [Twitter@CliftonPEDept](https://twitter.com/CliftonPEDept).

One of the greatest highlights for the PE faculty this year was through our partnership with the RFU. This collaboration has seen us nominated as one of the top 4 schools in the country in terms of driving the school rugby initiative forward. As a result, on 23rd February, eight of our pupils formed a guard of honour at Twickenham, the home of Rugby as England locked horns with Ireland in the 6 Nations clash. The same pupils then got a once in a lifetime opportunity to play on the hallowed turf in an exhibition at half time.

In the curriculum, The Y10 BTEC Students sat their compulsory Unit 1 Exam at the beginning of December. The department was delighted as a whole with the results, which is a testimony to the work that the pupils have put in and will subsequently mean that the vast majority are now able to meet or exceed their predicted grade.

In extra-curricular we completed another busy year with high levels of participation in a vast range of Sports. Badminton club and Climbing Club proved to be very popular and pupils were able to successfully transfer their skills back into the classroom. Girls Netball continued to develop with big numbers attending practices and fixtures. This commitment resulted in them winning games on a regular basis. In Football, a combined Y7 & 9 team entered a borough wide tournament at 6 a-side, which they went on to win in a dramatic final. The reward was to play a game on the pitch at the New York Stadium at half time in the Rotherham v Accrington Stanley fixture in November. The boys had a fantastic experience.

Special mention has to go to the Y10 BTEC Sports Studies pupils who have been in school recently. You have coped brilliantly with all the changes and adaptations and produced some great work at the same time, Well done.

And a big Thank you to Miss Eyre & Mr Mosley who have created our weekly fitness challenges, their demonstrations and updates have kept us all active and entertained.

As the summer holidays approach, keep safe and healthy and the PE department are looking forward to September and a busy programme of activities.

Performing arts - Dance

Dance has been continuing through lockdown with the ones who could access online lessons learning a new warm up party dance.

Homework has been very good too from KS3 with some examples of good work included. Online practical and theory lessons have continued for KS4 also and the ones who have accessed this have done some really good work.

Google classrooms have been the way to work in most subjects and will continue in some areas of dance next term when we introduce a new tracking system.

Denisa Gaurice has stood out for her learning during lockdown and has reached her end of year target with ease. She has regularly sent in videos of her progress and even some eventful falls whilst learning the routines.

Ndumbey Dibba, Ellie Haywood and Codie Nixon are progressing nicely with their practical and theory work. They have been to every online session and improvements are clearly being shown. There is no doubt that these three will reach if not surpass their expected grades if they continue with the determination and commitment shown through lockdown.

Connor Wright and Zakia Bi both have continued to progress greatly with their home learning. It is pleasing to see so many Y7 and Y8 competing in the kahoot quizzes. It was also nice to see those of you trying to beat Mrs Cotton on the kathakali style quiz. The highlight of the year has to be taking the current and future BTEC dancers to meet Kevin Clifton in London. They presented themselves professionally and asked superb questions and then behaved impeccably during the show. I was extremely proud of everyone who attended.

Another highlight of the year has to be taking the after school club to Aston Comp for the annual Rotherham schools dance competition. The Y7/8 were full of smiles and character and performed an excellent routine to 'Dear Future Husband'.



Performing arts - Drama

It has been so lovely to see many students improving their confidence and harnessing their love of performing this year, even during lockdown.

We have had some brilliant examples of work sent in from students of all year groups, demonstrating their research skills, vocal techniques including work on accent, diction and expression. Year 7 and 8 students have had their families involved in the Demon Barber play, recording new scenes each fortnight - it has really shown off some of our younger talent, well done! Year 9 students have been enjoying our new Digital Theatre Plus subscription, accessing professionally recorded versions of live theatre and I look forward to sharing these resources with all year groups on our return in September.

The Y11 Exam performance of Teechers by John Godber and the Y11 Level 2 RSL performance exams were a real highlight of the Drama calendar. The Y11 students really pulled out all the stops during these performances and were complemented at both events for their professionalism and excellent quality of acting skills and techniques demonstrated. The Drama Club has also been a highlight. Starting as a small group of students, they have looked at the Dennis Kelly play Our Teacher's a Troll. It's a different style of play which we hoped to perform to an audience this summer. Alas, we will have to wait a little bit longer... but it's exciting to have a project already in the pipeline to go back to.

Performing arts - Music

Teaching Music remotely during lockdown has been a very strange and quiet experience compared to our usual noisy existence at school! We can't wait for the time when we can perform together again.

Pupils have continued to work hard during the last few months with some fantastic pieces of work being sent in. Y10 have continued to work through their Unit 201ta coursework and several have been regularly attending the Google Meet lessons to analyse songs - it has been lovely seeing them. Y7-9 have been set a series of challenges for their home learning, ranging from Kahoot quizzes and song reviews to using the Chrome Music Lab to compose their own pieces of music or learning a piece for performance. Many pupils have risen to the challenge, and have developed their independence and resilience as a result. Several pupils have also made good use of the extra practice time they've had during lockdown and it has been lovely receiving videos of pupils making progress in their performing.

Mrs Maud has been sharing her Songs of the Day on the Music Department's Facebook and Instagram accounts, and the whole playlist is available on the Clifton Community School youtube channel. There is a broad variety of styles on there, secretly aimed at getting KS4 musicians to widen their listening for their RSL coursework.

There have been several highlights in the months before lockdown, including the Rotherham Music Service instrument demonstration to the whole of Y7 in the performance hall at the start of the year as part of Performing Arts Week and Clifton Choir performing in the WPT Christmas Concert at Magna in December. We've had Drumtastic, and took some Y10 and 11 pupils to perform at Riverside in support of the Creative Art Faculty's art show.

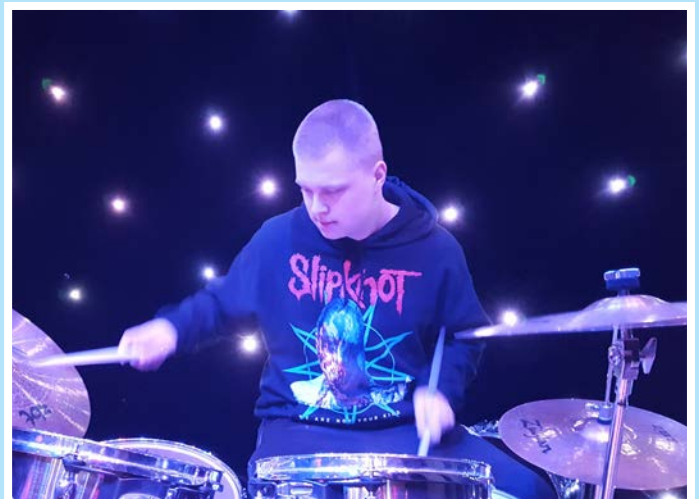
Performing arts - Music

Y10 pupils invited two Y4 classes from Badsley to watch them performing - the increase in confidence that our pupils got from this was amazing. Ilysha Jukes was even asked to perform her piano piece again so that one of the Y4s could sing it with her - a lovely moment that the little boy will remember forever.

In March we had the Y11 RSL exam performances - the quality of these and the professionalism shown by all pupils involved was inspirational.

Well done to the (mainly Y11) Roland Band who spent hours practising and perfecting their sound. Lunchtimes will definitely be quiet without them!

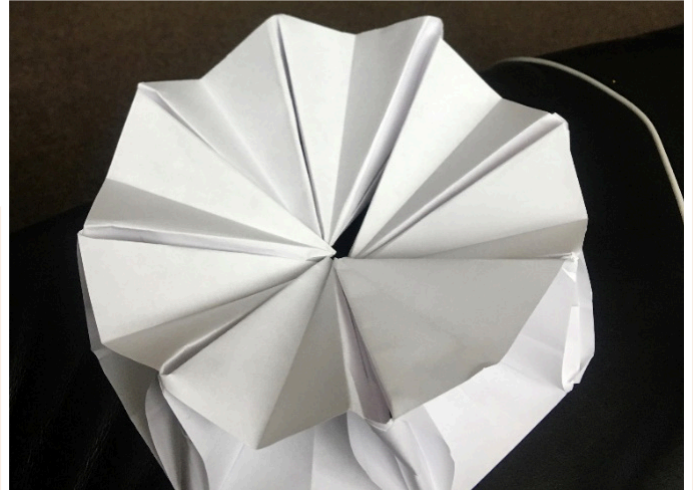
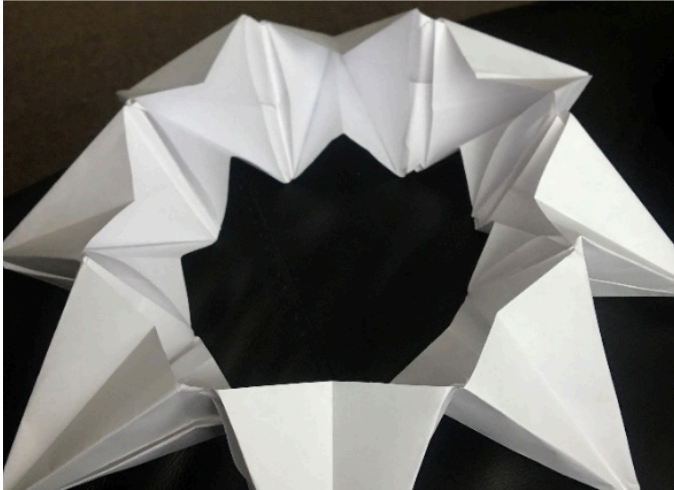
A special thankyou goes to the Y11 Music Performance classes - we are very proud of their commitment to their development as musicians this year. They have been incredibly supportive of one another, with some of them learning a whole new set of songs on top of their own exam performances to support a member of their class. We wish them every happiness in the future, whatever they decide to do.



School News

SCIENCE

This particular protein makes up the sodium ion channel and is important in nerve transmission. If the sodium channel was in a nerve cell that was part of a pain pathway, then blocking that channel with a drug would be useful in dentistry because it would stop or reduce the nerve that's passing on a pain signal so the amount of pain that someone may feel wouldn't be as bad.



MFL

We had lots of outstanding entries to the mask competition, really well done! Lots of fabulous masks sadly had no name and therefore could not be entered. Well done to Isabella-Rose Wilkinson, Saleh Ahmed, Aisha Haq, Hamna Masood, their fabulous work is displayed below.



MATHS

UKMT Junior Maths Challenge 2020

This year the UK Maths Challenge went online during lockdown, and Clifton students from year 7 and 8 stepped up to the challenge. The students answered 25 challenging maths problems that made them think outside the box, and really demonstrated the Clifton Way in working hard, taking a risk and dreaming big. Well done to Ukashah Munir, Zakia Bi, Jine Sadek, Conner Padley, Mya Holden; and especially to Hashim Munir who came away with a Bronze Award for his answers.

Here's one question they had to answer; how do you think you would have done?

9. One half of one third of one quarter of one fifth of a number is 2.

What is the number?

A 240

B 120

C 60

D $\frac{1}{120}$

E $\frac{1}{240}$