

Friday 5th May 2023



Hello Everyone,

Week three of this term draws to a close today and we have a long weekend of celebration for the coronation of King Charles III to look forward to. Thank you to all the organisers and I hope that all of you enjoy the celebrations.

It has been a much quieter week this week.

Year 11 had a gruelling week of exams, with a few weeks still to go. Thank you to Jolene, Celia and Shirelle who have all signed up to be invigilators for this exam session. Your support is much appreciated ladies.

Year 11 will have a reduced timetable as they complete exams in certain subjects. They do however have times scheduled for planned revision sessions so will need to keep an eye on these.

The end is in sight Year 11, Leavers assembly on 9th June followed by your Prom on 10th. The final push now, you can do this!

All other year groups are busy preparing for upcoming exams and assessments too as we move forward to the end of this academic year.

House points winners this week were Dampiers, great Job!



Students of the week (most House points):





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School Uniforms

Natasha will be placing the uniform order soon so if you haven't returned your slip you need to do this as soon as possible please.

Year 1 & 2

Years 1 and 2 have been very resilient these past three weeks. They have had many teachers covering and have coped very well with the changes. Well done to all of them.

A big thank you to Miss Young, Miss Crowie and Miss Harris for your hard work, providing stability and routine and ensuring that teaching and learning continued.



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I have had the pleasure of teaching them Science for this time. We have been learning about living things and their habitats. The rain on Tuesday stopped us from going on our Green Mountain trip but we still had fun making our milk carton bug homes, collecting bits and pieces from around school grounds. We even managed to do a mini beast hunt.







The children have also been looking after their own tomato plant and have enjoyed watching them grow. They have been keeping a check on their progress, measuring the height and counting the number of leaves.

Thank you to Miss Wilson for donating the seedlings and to Mr Arnold for helping the students, re plant them and looking after the plants during the week for us.



We are looking forward to our trip to the US Base Hydroponics.

That's it for this week.

Tania Maggott Head Teacher



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Hello from Year 8!

Year 8 have been very busy of the last few weeks and have been settling into the new term well. They would like to give you an update on what they have been up to.



In HE over the last term, year 8 have been completing a research project on fish. As part of their research, they were tasked with learning about how to prepare freshly caught fish.

Mr Duncan was kind enough to demonstrate the processes of preparing the fish ready to cook. Some of us even had a go at scaling the fish. For this demonstration, we used locally caught Island Grouper. Here are some key steps to follow:

Step 1: Scaling the fish – You take a fish scaler and hold the fish in one hand by the tail and work the scaler in the direction from the tail to the head.

Step 2: Once the fish is completely scaled, now we need to gut the fish. Take a sharp knife and make a cut along the belly up to the gill. Spread the stomach open and remove the guts and entrails.

Step 3: Filleting the fish – Remove the head and tail. This can be saved to be used for soup at a later date or can be thrown away. The tail makes a great form of bait in future fishing trips. To remove the skin, you need to make small cuts around the edges of spinal fin to allow for the skin to be peeled off. Use a rag or a cloth to grip the skin and it can be slippery and pull the skin away from the flesh. You can then cut the flesh away from the rib cage and spinal bones to have a piece of fish ready to cook.

Step 4: Repeat step 3 for the other side of the fish.

There are many ways to cook grouper, but some of our favourites are grouper soup, fish cakes and fish in batter.





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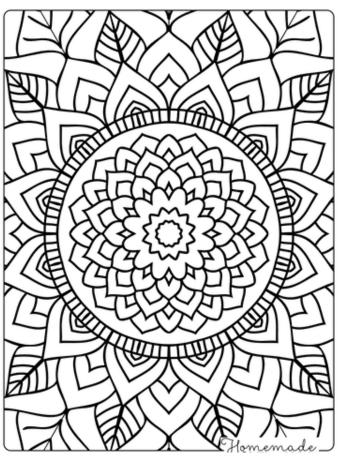


Year 8 is also very proud of their art work this term. They have been looking at the famous artist Thaneeya McArdle.

Thaneeya McArdle is a pattern artist and she uses bright colours. She use zentangle design in her work and she has released many of her own colouring books. We have been painting our own canvasses in Mandala design and paisley using vibrant colours.







Have a go at this one! ☺