



**Extraordinary Issue  
No.3  
Published during a  
worldwide Pandemic  
and our school's partial  
closure.**

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 1st September  
Y7 Transition Day (allocated forms)

Wednesday 2nd September  
Y7 Transition Days (allocated forms)

Thurs 3rd and Fri 4th September  
Staff Training Days  
School Closed

Monday 7th, September  
Y9 and Y11 Only

Tuesday 8th September  
Y7, Y8 and Y10 Only

Wednesday 9th September  
All Years

Thursday 1st October  
National Poetry Day

Friday 16th October  
End of Term

Monday 26th October  
Start of Term



### MESSAGE FROM MRS HOWARD-RIGBY



Not the usual Head Teacher's message for this edition of 'The Net' as I have been given the privilege of writing to you all and saying a final goodbye. This is the 99th

edition that I have worked on with Mrs Mason and it has always been a most satisfying part of my role – celebrating our pupils' varied achievements: recognising and celebrating those wonderful young people over the years who have contributed so much to the ethos, the values and the success of our school.

At the start of the year, the Pastoral Team decided that Theme Week would be 'SEAL it with Care and Compassion!'. Fortunately, through the work which has been going on during partial closure, we have all witnessed care and compassion in abundance from the messages to families, the provision of food parcels and resources, the posting of well-being advice, the supervision of our Key Worker children, the support of colleagues- the list goes on ...

Traditionally, as our academic year ends, we would have had themed activities, Whole School Mass, Parade, Sports Activities, Alton Towers visit and Rewards. Most importantly, at Mass we would acknowledge and celebrate our SEAL winners, those pupils who role model our values on a daily basis. This year, PPMs have created PowerPoints to deliver their end of year messages and share our SEAL nominees and overall winners. (Presentations are via a link on ClassCharts – Announcements). Well done to everyone who was nominated – you truly epitomise the aims of our Mission Statement.

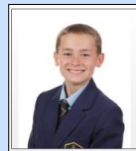
It has been an absolute honour to serve the community of St. Gregory's since I joined in 1998. I would like to say thank you to parents and pupils, past and present; your support has been appreciated and I am lucky to have been a part of the St. Gregory's family.

I hope everyone has a happy, safe, restful summer.

Mrs Howard-Rigby  
Deputy Head Teacher

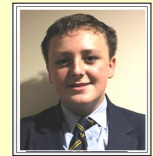
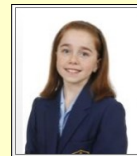
### SEAL AWARDS 2019-20

#### Year 7



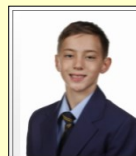
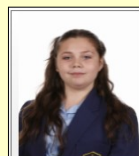
Ruby Dittmer  
Oliver Hunt

#### Year 8



Olivia Burns  
Joshua McColl

#### Year 9



Emma-Jane Dean  
Daniel Ford

#### Year 10



Olivia Pennington  
Christian Lugtu

### STAFFING

#### Farewell to:

Staff Retirement (see Insert)  
Mrs Howard-Rigby - Deputy Head Teacher  
Mrs Adams - English Teacher  
Ms McCarthy - Examination Officer  
Mrs Tarr - Assistant Business Manager

Mrs Eames Music Teacher  
Mrs Johnson Cleaning Operative  
Mr Ramsbottom History Teacher  
We wish them well in their new endeavours

#### Welcome to:

Dr Faulke Examination Officer

# SCHOOL LIFE DURING LOCKDOWN

## MATHEMATICS



### UKMT Mathematics Challenge

In July, 70 pupils from Y7 and Y8 took part in the UKMT Mathematics Challenge. The challenge

is a national competition aimed to stimulate mathematical problem solving. To recognize the highest performers in the Challenge, the top-scoring 40% of participants are awarded Bronze, Silver and Gold certificates in the ratio 3:2:1.

The department are pleased to announce the following winners:

#### Gold Certificate:

Jacob Bull (8Winefride)

#### Silver Certificates:

Eleanor Coutts (8Fisher)

Tornya-Nyah Johnny (7More)  
Rency Raju (8Fisher)  
Harry Thomerson (8Campion)

#### Bronze Certificates:

Lydia Baldwin (8More)  
Olivia Burns (8Winefride)  
Tom Cummings (8Fisher)  
Tom Deepak (7Winefride)  
Francesca Hindle (7Fisher)  
Daniel Jania (7Campion)  
Mia Jones (8Fisher)  
Ava Larkin-Williams (8Plessington)  
Toby McWilliams (7More)  
James Morris (8More)  
Tayhzean Punzalan (7Campion)  
Noah Rimmer (7Kolbe)  
Tenniel Stubbs (8More)

Congratulations from the Mathematics Department!

## GCSEPOD



GCSEPOD has been an invaluable tool in these unprecedented times; it has allowed pupils to carry on learning from home when they have missed face to face contact with their teachers.

Pupils have watched over 20,000 pods this academic year, an incredible number which demonstrates the commitment of our pupils.

The highest users in each year are:

Y11 David Sallai  
Y10 Mqhele Simango  
Y9 Evan Woods

Well done to everyone who have taken up the daily challenges!

Mr Jones

## PUP UNIVERSITY CHALLENGE 2020!



Cronton Sixth Form College ran a virtual 'Prestigious Universities' competition for Y10 pupils from 12 schools across the North West.

It was an amazing opportunity for our high attaining pupils to learn about some of the world's best universities and hear about some of the exclusive programmes on offer at Cronton Sixth Form College.

Pupils were set tasks for different subjects, asked to complete the task and submit it for marking.

Our pupils came runners up and Miss Anderson was unbelievably impressed with the work they submitted.

Congratulations to the following

Stephen Carmichael	Biology
Luke Degenhart	Geography
Adrienne Estibal	Physics
Sophia Holden	Chemistry
Ashleigh McFarlane	English Literature
Nate O'Connor	Sociology
Thomas Oates	Politics
Liberty Ratcliffe	Law

pupils:

*"The work they have produced has been a wonderful example of the resilience and dedication of your year 10 pupils during this current situation."*  
Cronton Sixth Form College

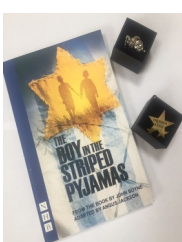
## ENGLISH

One of Y9 English tasks was to create a set design. James Fawcett sent in a picture of his set design for 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' by William Shakespeare- a wonderful example of the great work produced by our pupils.



## DRAMA: SCRIPT WRITING COMPETITION

This half term, the Drama Department launched a Script Writing Competition relating to pupils' regular online lessons. We were delighted with the great response from our budding theatre makers in the making!



First place winners will receive a copy of the play 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas' and a Comedy and Tragedy pin badge and runners up will also receive a pin badge.

### Year 7

Overall Winner:

Olivia Whitlow (7 Kolbe)

She wrote a very clever and entertaining script showing how misunderstandings can occur when gossip is past on. Congratulations!

Runners Up:

Joanna Bijoy (7Campion)  
Rachel Degenhart (7Winefride).  
Georgia Ford (7Plessington)  
Florence Oakes (7Julian)  
Quinn Parker-Kilty (7Julian)

### Year 8

Congratulations to the following Year 8 winners who wrote highly engaging scripts based on passengers boarding

the Titanic in 1912.

1st Place: Caitlin Wearing (8Julian)  
2nd Place: Eleanor Coutts (8Fisher)  
3rd Place: Leon Hanratty (8Winefride).

A special award also goes to Ruth Degenhart (8Plessington) who chose the design task and her efforts were exceptional.

Thank you to all pupils who entered the competition. It really lit up our week reading them! We now encourage pupils to enter our summer script writing competition that was posted on ClassCharts week beginning 13th July.

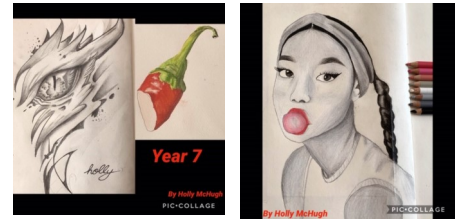
The Drama Department

# SCHOOL LIFE DURING LOCKDOWN

## ART



Some of the work of our exceptional young artists.



The Pinkfoot Gallery in Norfolk set a fun social media 'Loo Roll Challenge' at the start of the Coronavirus Lockdown and the response has been huge. Contributions have been created by people of all ages and abilities from all over the World. The challenge has even been featured on BBC News.

Pupils in Y7, Y8 and Y9 took on the challenge and their efforts did not disappoint!

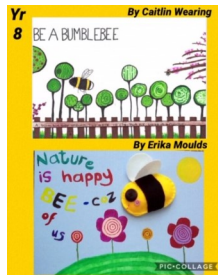
We have really enjoyed seeing your creative responses and have been very impressed with all of your ideas! Congratulations to all of our talented Artists!



### Hunderwasser

As part of their home learning for Art, Y8 have been studying the work of Artist and Eco-Activist Hundertwasser. They have made some brilliant posters to show how we can make positive changes to our environment! Fantastic work Y8 - well done!

Mrs Wynn



## FOOD TECHNOLOGY

### Y7 Chopping Challenge



Some fantastic examples and delicious concoctions for families to try during lockdown!

Well done to everyone who sent in pictures and extra points for finding flour!

### Y8 Savoury Dishes



Sweet and Sour Chicken  
Kiera Watson

Fish Pasty  
Jerin Jeyaseelan

### Y8 Sweet Treats



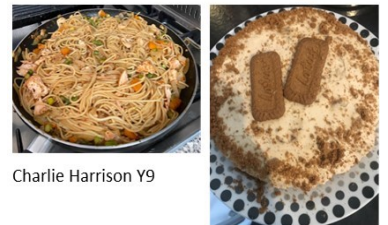
Mince Pie for the family, George Slann

Fairy Cakes Olivia Whitlow



Apple Pie, Dion Josh

### Sweet and Savoury!



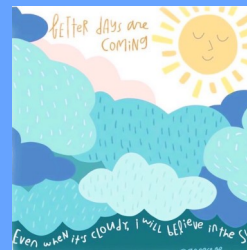
Charlie Harrison Y9

Cheesecake, Alisha Pucill Y10

## #POSITIVE FOOTPRINT



This term we continued posting a positive quote or thought from pupils and staff on twitter and our #Feel Good Friday songs by James Lee-Hindle and Tom Houghton (Y11)



## YOUNG LEADERS 2020-2021

This half term, Y9 pupils have had the opportunity to apply to become Young Leaders in preparation for Y10. Miss O'Connor received many outstanding applications in which pupils had to explain why they would be well suited for the role. All applicants also submitted a creative response to the 'Black Lives Matter' movement. These were extremely powerful and demonstrated the vision and understanding our pupils have in regard to issues affecting not only our school community but the wider world.

Congratulations to the pupils listed below who all submitted successful applications:

Ava Park and Kieron Gorman (9Campion)  
Liam Dooley, Daniel Roach, Emily Wielebski and Antony Woods (9Fisher)  
Roksana Smolinska (9Julian)  
Emma-Jane Dean (9More)  
Eve Rogers, Ysabel Ryan and Jennifer Williams (9Winefride)

If you are a Y9 or a Y10 pupil who would like the opportunity to sign up

to become a Young Leader, the application form will be accessible on ClassCharts until the end of term. Alternatively, contact Miss O'Connor via her school email.

All current Y10 Young Leaders have had the opportunity to sign up to be part of next year's Year 11 School Council. This group will be made up of twelve advisors (including two Head Pupils and two Deputies) who will represent and focus on specific areas of school life.



Congratulations to:

Luke Degenhart (10Campion) and Chiara Welsch (10More) who both submitted exceptional applications and have secured their place on the team.

If you are a Y10 Young Leader and would like to be part of the Y11

School Council next year, please go to the ClassCharts Announcement or contact Miss O'Connor via her school email.

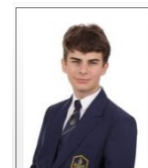
Y10 pupils who have been actively involved in Pupil Leadership were also given the opportunity to apply for the Head Pupil position. We currently have four applicants:



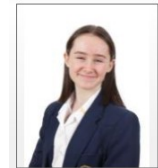
Mollie Belshaw



Emily Linford



Thomas Oates



Isabelle Tilling

They all submitted outstanding and extensive applications and will progress onto the next stage of the interview process which will resume in September.

Miss O'Connor

## PROUD OF OUR SUCCESS

St Gregory's have received a certificate from Duke of Edinburgh North celebrating our pupils volunteering hours—741 hours.

Across the North of England Region, a total of 661,349 hours have been spent volunteering which equates to a staggering total of £2,876,868 hours in social impact value.

This is only our second cohort of pupils and this is how much time has been contributed by all who have completed their volunteering sections.

Follow the Duke of Edinburgh Award on twitter [@DofENorth](https://twitter.com/DofENorth).

Miss Anderson



## NHS DONATION

Mr McGlinchey, Mrs Dolphin and some of our Key Worker pupils walked to Warrington Hospital to deliver the cheque from funds raised with the staff 'One Mile Challenge'. The money will be used to support 'The Sanctuary', a new Well-Being and Counselling Centre based at the hospital for nurses and staff to receive care and support.



## SAFEGUARDING

Safeguarding Newsletter [Summer, 2020](#) is now available on the school website. Pupils have been sent paper copies

DSL is Mrs Howard-Rigby (Pastoral Deputy Head Teacher)

Safeguarding Governor is Mr. Roger Harrison.

Warrington Duty and Assessment Team: 01925 443400 (Working Hours)/01925 444400 (Out of Hours)

Cheshire Constabulary :101  
[ChildLine](#): 0800 1111



[Bridgewater Community Health Services](#) although not currently freely available to children in schools at the moment, are still available for advice and support.  
[Click here](#) for more information.

