



Park Community School

NEWSLETTER

Weekly Update

15th May 2020

Dear Parents, Students and Carers

Another strange week. Ordinarily, this week would have been a week full of exams for Year 11, Years 7 and 8 would have been visiting the farm and PDP alongside lessons and final plans for Year 10 work experience would be confirmed along with preparation for Freshers week. Instead, we continue to teach remotely for almost all students and plan for how we will make sure students get the experiences that make us proud to be part of Park either when we return or remotely. We miss having you in school.

This is also the time of year when we are busy planning for September and any changes we wish to make. This is still happening so that we are ready to pick up where we left off when school does eventually return to 'normal'.

You will have seen this week's government announcements regarding some return to school for some primary schools students. The plan is for Year 10 to have some increase in contact with school before the summer. We have not been given any further information at this point.

Next week's learning will look different: It's Revision Week

Don't worry, you're not revising for exams, but you are revising what you've been learning since lockdown. A chance to stop and reflect to make sure you remember it and a chance to go back if you've struggled to keep going.

How will it work?

On Monday you will be sent one powerpoint with a slide from each of your subjects. It will also be on the school website. The slides have a brief video of your teacher speaking and have a reminder of the key things we hope you've been learning and an activity to help you pull this together.

What do you need to do?

Watch each slide for your subjects and complete the revision activity to show what you know. If you've missed anything there are links to the work for you to catch up and if you're stuck, teachers will still be supporting you on emails and many of them also run their live lessons and feedback.

You don't need to watch it all at once. One or two slides a day will be perfect. Send what you complete back to your teacher- a photograph is fine if you can't complete it on-line.



We have also been receiving lots of letters from Year 6 students who are coming to Park in September. It's been great to begin to get to know them and we look forward to welcoming them to Park. We haven't forgotten them. We are planning transition in school and with their primary schools so we can make them feel welcome and ready to love life at Park.

Next week, remote learning will be different. We have been in Lockdown now for 7 school weeks (plus the Easter weeks) and lots of work has been set and returned. But you are all managing this differently. Before we move on to any new learning after half term, next week's learning will be focussed on reviewing and summarising what's been set so far. It aims to give you all a chance to stop, breathe and catch up if need be. Some details are included in the newsletter but also in year group assemblies. All students will receive an email by Monday morning too.

Stay safe and keep in touch.



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Why are we doing this?

We remember what we practise- we want you to remember the learning

Some of you have found it hard to get into a routine- we want to give some space for you to catch up on key activities before we move on

What if I can't do the work on-line?

That's fine. Hard copies of the powerpoints will be available for collection from reception if you need them. The work set for next week is simply explained with a brief video by your teacher. You will be able to do the work on paper and photograph it if you want to.

What if I get stuck?

Don't panic. The slides are only the main tasks, so have a go. Teachers are on their emails and some will still run live lessons. Email then ask for help. They are ready to make sure you get this.

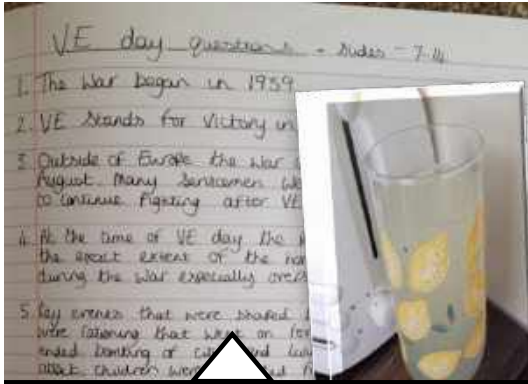
After half term, remote learning will continue as normal.

DON'T PANIC JUST REVISE



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VE Day 75

In commemoration of VE Day 75, we had some great enquiry and creativity from our Key Stage 3 historians.

All about VE Day



Iconic VE Day images- Tegan, Year 7
Tegan researched images that sum up the jubilation felt by many on VE Day in 1945.

VE Day homemade lemonade and quizzing- Jennifer Year 7

Jennifer took on a range of our quiz challenges to study VE Day and is becoming quite the expert. She has also attempted her own homemade lemonade, as many would have in 1945.

VE Day bunting - Evelyn, year 8

Evelyn put together this lovely bunting to help decorate KO1.

VE Day poster - Tori Year 7

Tori summarised key key facts about how people celebrated 75 years ago.



VE Day Street Party Menu - Toby, year 7

Toby researched rationed foods available in 1945 and used this information to help create a menu of British classics.

VE DAY CELEBRATIONS!

Thank you for sharing how you managed to celebrate VE day last Friday. Socially distanced celebrations but they nevertheless brought us all together.



Letters from Year 6

We are looking forward to meeting Year 6. In the meantime, we've been getting to know them remotely. Keep the letters coming to Miss Binns a.binns@pcs.hants.sch.uk and Ms Bannard s.bannard@pcs.hants.sch.uk.

I am Jessamine (a pupil from Riders Federation School) and I am pleased that I will become part of your school. I enjoy learning and fun activities, therefore Park Community School will be a wonderful place for me to be.

About Me :)

I am very interested in discovering different cultures, science, mathematics, literature and I am very fond of Art/DT. In my spare time I like to draw and paint, especially characters, anime and cartoons. I love to play football. I love music and I love learning new things. I personally think I have a great sense of humour, although people say I can make too many jokes!

My sister is Niamh, she enjoys your P.E lessons very much so I'm sure that I will too! I can't wait to start a new adventure with Park Community School and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Yours Sincerely,
Jessamine

Remote Learning This Week

Virtual lessons, meetings and virtual mentoring!



Hello, My name is Charlie and I go to Front Lawn primary academy. I live at home with my mum, dad and two younger brothers Jack who is 9 and Olly who is 3. My hobbies are riding my bike, scooter and I love playing on my Xbox with my brother and cousin Sophie who is also starting with you in September. I'm really looking forward to starting Year 7 at Park Community School.