



Sandprint- Friday 19th June 2020

Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

Thank you for participating in e-week and I hope that you all enjoyed the various activities. I would particularly like to thank Mr. Nicholls for organising everything so well and of course all the staff who spearheaded various events.

The one to one interviews have also gone well, both the virtual ones with year 7, 8 and 9 students and also the physical meetings for senior students. Everyone that came in felt the meetings had been really worthwhile and enjoyed popping back into school. It was great to see you all.

We are back to 'normal' next week, and by that I refer to our Virtual Learning Curriculum for all students. So, from Monday, you will be back on normal timetable. A parent has queried why we are not bringing year 10 and 12 students in for lessons. As explained previously, we were able to move to a full Virtual Timetable on day one of the lock-down on 23rd March. All students have been receiving a full curriculum since this time and we have kept things as simple as possible by keeping to the normal timetable. This provides structure and also a clear understanding for students and parents of what is being delivered and when. It also means that staff are able to have the same structure for their day. So, since 23rd March, Sandringham students have received a similar timetable to one they would have received if we had been in school as normal. On discussing options with students and staff and listening to feedback from yourselves, we decided not to disrupt the rhythm of delivery by inviting small groups in for lessons resulting in halting the Virtual Learning for the rest. There will be a small number of lessons delivered in school over the next few weeks where there is a very strong case for bringing students in without disrupting the rest of the VLC.

Next week we will be holding Virtual Induction for our new year 12 students. The dedicated page on the web site will go live shortly before induction begins and whilst nothing can fully replace being here in person, the virtual material is amazing and comes very close. I would like to thank Ms Clark and all the Directors of Learning for preparing this work.

Finally, I am delighted to announce the appointment of our new senior students as follows:

Head Girl Jessica Simmons
Head Boy Simi Adeyemi

Deputy Heads: Jacob Head, Ruben Mazilu, Kieran Cooke, Amalie Newman-Booth, Sophie Angel, Lucy Rutty and Nimi Sira.

I would like to congratulate all 24 students who were shortlisted for these positions. You all performed exceptionally well at interview and we were incredibly proud of you. All students interviewed will be part of the senior committee and work to improve the school further over the next 12 months. Well done everyone!

I hope you all have a very enjoyable weekend,
Alan Gray

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E-WEEK UPDATE FROM MR NICHOLLS

A huge well done to all the students who have engaged so positively with the activities over the week. Staff have been so impressed with the efforts that students have put in to completing activities from litter picking to cake making to designing new gadgets and everything in between! We look forward to sharing some more examples next week as well as announcing some of the prize winners in the competitive elements that will be judged as part of this year's House competition. Thanks also go to families who have supported students throughout the week.

LETTERS REGARDING STUDY SESSIONS: PLEASE CHECK EMAILS

If you are in Year 10 or 12, you may have been sent a letter regarding Study Sessions in certain subjects. Please check your emails to see if this is the case and check the dates/timings as these will provide an excellent opportunity to for some valuable catch up time with teachers at a safe distance.



TEXTBOOKS AVAILABLE OVER THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS



As a way to support your child in English, the faculty are offering free textbooks for students to take home and use over the summer holidays and beyond. There is a specific textbook for each year group which contains activities around reading, comprehension and writing skills focusing on both fiction and non-fiction extracts. These textbooks will remain in student services and you are welcome to come in to school to collect them alongside exercise books and the LRC's click and collect.

ARTS WEEK 2020: MON 29th JUNE- FRI 3RD JULY

In just over a week, the Arts Festival will begin with the theme "Our World." There will lots of fun activities to get involved in during the week but before then, please join the googleclassroom (code = ljqr6o) in preparation for all ARTS WEEK 2020 updates, timetables, workshops and activities.

There are a number of Q+A sessions with West End dancers, choreographers and musicians, so please join the classroom to post your questions to the professionals before the week begins.



MUSIC NEWS: SANDWICH SERIES ROUND UP

If you have missed any of the amazing virtual concerts performed by students and collated by Mrs Beaton, here are the links to be able to catch up and watch them again.



[Concert number 1](#)

[Concert number 2](#)

[Concert number 3](#)

[Concert number 4](#)

[Concert number 5](#)

If you would like to take part in our final Lockdown Sandwich Series concert, please email your performance video to beatone@mysandstorm.org There will be a very special LIVE-STREAMED virtual concert starring Sandringham students taking place during Arts week – keep an eye out for further details!

SHORT VIDEOS FOR PARENTS ON ONLINE SAFETY AT HOME



ThinkUKnow, the education programme from the National Crime Agency's CEOP command, has released a number of short videos to support parents/parents during Covid-19 and the closure of schools. Each fortnight, ThinkUKnow will be releasing a new presentation for parents and carers to help with online safety at home. The most

recent resource focusses on live streaming. Popular live streaming apps such as Facebook Live, Instagram Live stories, Twitch TV (often used by the gaming community), House Party and Tik Tok are very popular among young people. There is a myth that live streaming is just like watching a pre-recorded video. However, in reality the content is live, uncensored and allow viewers to comment and interact live by posting messages that appear beside the live stream. More information about this topic, please take a look at the resource below: [ThinkUKnow](#)

VIRTUAL FUNDRAISING IDEAS

Even in these tough times, supporters have still been coming up with unique ways to raise money at home for their charities of choice. If you feel that this is something you would like to do, the link below has some great fundraising ideas to get you going including donating your commute, movie nights, Hair-we Go, Music Night, Game Night. There are lots of different options and money can



be raised for vital funds that will be desperately needed for any charity close to your heart. Just remember to follow the government advice on social distancing.

<https://www.teenagecancertrust.org/support-us/fundraising-ideas-try-home-during-lockdown>

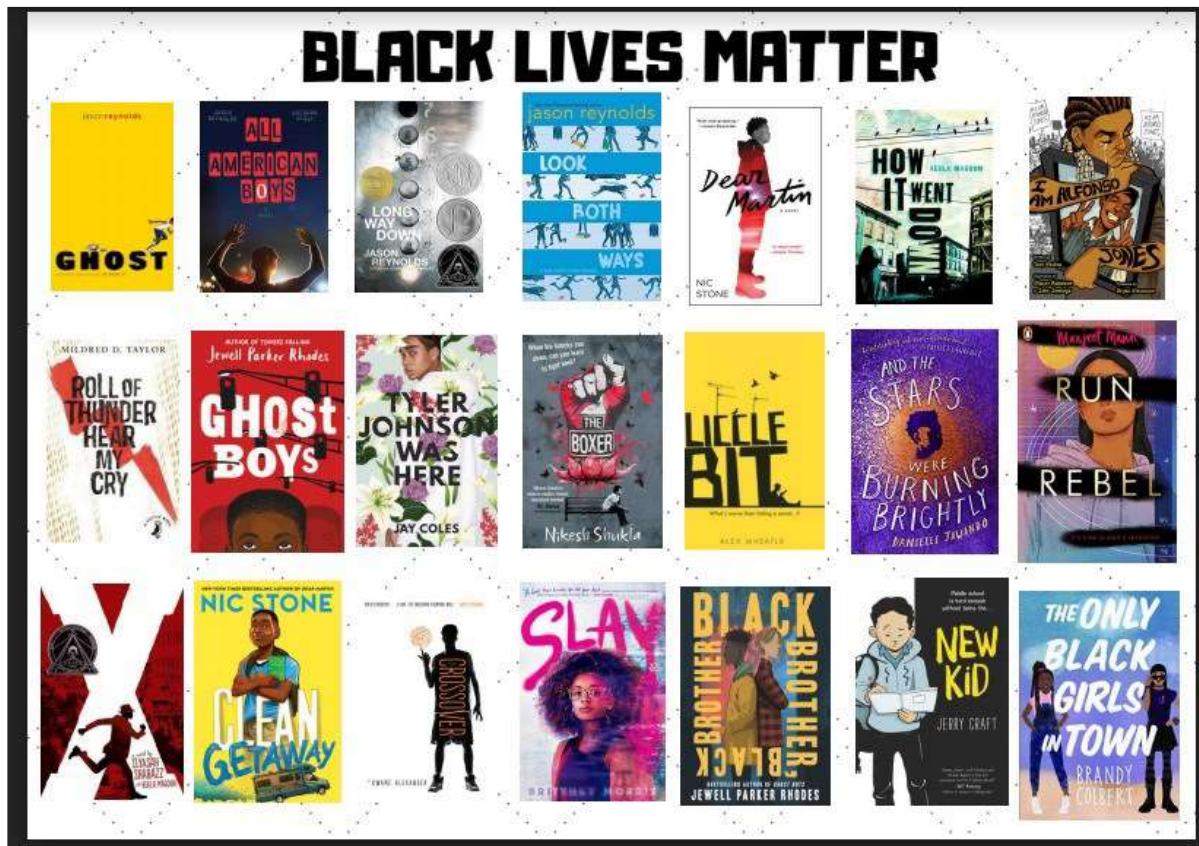
STUDENT SPOTLIGHT:



Teachers are still sending out postcards home to students who are working hard during lockdown. Ryan K in Year 7 contacted us to let us know that he was pleased to receive a postcard home and we have heard from many students that the positive contact is keeping them motivated. We know that these are difficult times so really appreciate all of the effort that students (and parents) are making. Keep up the amazing work everyone!

RESOURCES AVAILABLE FROM THE LIBRARY

A few weeks ago, we provided a list of books available from our library by Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic authors. Mrs Kirby has kindly updated the list with further literature below which can be found using our Library web app <https://uk.accessit.online/snd02/#!dashboard>. Books can be reserved using the Click and Collect service (click on a book cover and click "Make a reserve") or by emailing kirbyj@mysandstorm.org We hope you enjoy the recommendations.



FREE LECTURES & Q&A WITH UCL: FRIDAY 26th JUNE AT 12:15



UCL are launching the UCL Medical Sciences Lecture Series, designed to inspire year 11 and 12 students, and engage them with the fascinating world of medical sciences. They are running an online lecture and Q&A on the 26th June at 12.15pm with Professor Mervyn Singer, a Professor of Intensive Care Medicine at UCL, who will talk about the challenge of treating seriously ill COVID-19 patients on the front line. He will also talk about his innovative work with Mercedes Formula 1 to develop new devices to help patients and answer questions. If you would like to register please go to <https://bit.ly/uclmedicalsciences>

LOCKER KEY RETURNS

A big thank you to all of those who have already returned locker keys. For those who haven't yet- please could they be dropped off in the box at reception or Student Services as soon as possible. Students can empty their lockers first and can do so at any time during the school day, reporting to Student Services or Reception first. If any students have lost their keys, Student Services will need £3 in a named envelope to be dropped in the box so they can get another key cut.



OFCOM COMPETITION: APPEALING TO AUDIENCES OF TOMORROW.



Ofcom has [launched a competition](#), in partnership with The Financial Times, asking 16-18 old students in the UK to share their ideas on the future of TV. For a chance to win a £100 voucher prize and see your work published on the FT Online, they are calling on students aged 16-18 to submit a blog-post or video in answer to the following question:

"What must traditional broadcasters and streaming services do to make sure they appeal to the audiences of tomorrow?" The original deadline of 9th April has now been extended to 30th June and more information, including the competition's terms and conditions, is available at <https://www.smallscreenbigdebate.co.uk/student-competition> You can also register for free access to FT.com at: www.ft.com/schoolsarefree

AND FINALLY.....A BIG THANK YOU!



With the announcement of the new Head Girl and Head Boy this morning, we would like to say a huge thank you to the outgoing Head Girl, Elena and Head Boy, Alex. They have both been truly wonderful in their positions and will be missed greatly. A huge thank you also to the Deputies for all their amazing hard work and to the Senior Executive Committee for everything they have done for the school. They have all been a shining example to other students in the school and we know that the new appointments will do a similarly excellent job for 2020-21.



DATES FOR THE DIARY

SCHOOL OPEN FROM 9-11am EVERY DAY FOR RESOURCES



Fri 26th June

12:15 Q&A session with UCL (see above)
1.20-1.55pm Contemporary Dance club

Mon 22nd June 9-11am CLICK AND COLLECT LIBRARY
Tues 23rd June: Virtual Sixth Form Induction
5-6.30pm - SYCD & Contemp Seniors.
Weds 24th June: Virtual Sixth Form Induction
3:15-4pm Striding Out, Junior Dance
3:15-4pm Boys Dance Club
Thurs 25th June 9-11am CLICK AND COLLECT LIBRARY
1:30pm Virtual Drama Club (every week)
3:15-4:30pm Triple Edge and JuniorDance