



**Sandprint- Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2020**

Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

This has been another busy week particularly for the sixth form team. Year 12 have been sitting their end of year exams remotely, and this seems to have gone well. Whilst there is no real substitute for sitting examinations in exam venues, we hope that the virtual process has been a good alternative.

Behind the scenes the sixth form staff and directors of learning in each subject area have been busy preparing for the new sixth form induction process. This has been co-ordinated across BeauSandVer consortium, and went live on Tuesday morning. Our year 11 students and those from other schools who wish to join the sixth form at Sandringham have been working through the sixth form virtual induction programme. This programme included video presentations to introduce the sixth form and also the various subjects on offer. We had a very large number participate and it will be lovely to see you all in person in September. Of course, we will see you before this on results day in August. Mrs. Oakes is finalising a letter to go out to you all next week with details of how this will work.

Finally from me, a mention about the last week of term. We have almost finished the planning for prize giving assemblies and Dr. Creaby will be issuing full details on this to you next week. Throughout the week, each tutor group will have a specific slot when you come in to school for your assembly. They will be held in various venues around the site, such as the theatre, main hall and sixth form area and will involve seeing you before we break up for the summer holiday and awarding some end of year prizes. We will also give you some last minute information on how things will work at the start of the autumn term so that you are ready to go. Of course, the most important part of the assembly will be that you can meet up with everyone again after being away from school for so long. I look forward to seeing you all then.

I hope you enjoy the rest of this newsletter and have a very pleasant weekend.

Best wishes

Mr. Gray

### **FINAL E WEEK RESULTS: MESSAGE FROM MR NICHOLLS**

Thanks again to Miss Quinn and the house team for their work organising and judging events through Eweek.

The Ready Steady Cook challenge led by Mrs Holmes results are now in as follows:

1 <sup>st</sup> Place -	Clover McDonald (8A) 50 HPS
Joint 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place -	Lauren Presland (8A) and Herbie Mckillop (8F) 35HPS
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Thyra Sondergaard (7H) 25HPS

Congratulations to Clover and a huge well done to all students who entered and a thank you to families who helped taste test the finished products! Plans are already in place for a repeat event in the new academic year.

House points were awarded to all entries and the collated scores follow for each KS3 year group.



#### Year 9 – E Week Activities

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Austen

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Johnson

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Elgar

#### Year 8 – E Week Activities

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Austen

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Shakespeare

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Fawcett

#### Year 7 – E Week Activities

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Shakespeare

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Hepworth

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Turing

A reminder that these scores will be added to those won earlier in the year, and those to be collected in the next three weeks, before the announcement in the last week of term of this Year's House cup winner.

#### **LAST WEEK OF TERM: MESSAGE FROM DR CREABY**

Following on from government guidance that secondary schools can now welcome students from all year groups into school for face to face meetings, we will be hosting tutor group assemblies for Years 7-10 in the final week of term. Having seen the success of E Week, with Year 10 and 12 students having the opportunity to meet their tutors face to face, we are really excited to be able to provide this opportunity for all students. In an assembly format, students will also have the opportunity to see their peers too.



The exact timing of each tutor group assembly will be confirmed in Tuesday's Sandprint but they will each last for 30 minutes. They will also include a scaled-back version of annual prize giving. Assemblies will take place on Monday – Thursday of the last week in the following venues:

Year 7: The Sandpit

Year 8: The Gym

Year 9: S11

Year 10: The Hall

As ever, we are ensuring that all safety recommendations from the government guidance are in place. As such, tutor group assemblies will be hosted in large venues in the school to ensure appropriate social distancing measures are in place. They will be spread out during the day in order to minimise mixing between groups.

Lessons will continue as normal during this week so, apart from when they are attending their tutor assembly, students should be logging on as normal and completing their school work.

We hope that students will enjoy this opportunity to see one another and their tutor before the summer break. We are looking forward to seeing all the students!

### **ARTS WEEK 2020 MON 29<sup>th</sup> JUNE- FRI 3<sup>RD</sup> JULY**

Next week is our annual Arts Week running from Monday to Friday. The theme for the week is OUR WORLD. This is based upon our experiences during the COVID-19 pandemic and how the individual can express themselves through our subjects at this time, whether this is within their own world, their friends or family, their community or the wider world.

The assembly this week introduced arts week and shared the fabulous creativity already shown by many of the Sandringham staff during lockdown, along with all the relevant information required for the week.



Attached is the full timetable of activities, with students off timetable every day session 5 to participate in the amazing activities and live workshops. Please encourage your child to sign up to the arts week google classroom (see noticeboard for the code), where the googlemeet links and activity documents can be found.

We would love to see the creativity both the students, their friends and families have carried out during the week so students are being asked to upload any photos or videos to a googledrive folder or alternatively please email Miss Meeking. We would welcome the whole family to join in with any of the activities taking place and enjoy being creative in 'OUR WORLD' next week.

## **MUSIC NEWS: SANDWICH SERIES FINAL RECITAL**

We would like to invite you to join us in celebrating the fantastic work of our music students by watching our final pre-recorded Sandwich Series recital [here](#). This final concert features Millie T from year 7, Nico C, James O, Yasmin B and Lauren P from year 8, Jacob T from year 9, Katie from Year 12 and Lucas H and Henry N from Year 11. A huge congratulations to all the students that have submitted performances for this series over the last term. It has been wonderful to enjoy and share these with the wider school community.

Other concerts can be watched on the links below



[Concert number 1](#)

[Concert number 2](#)

[Concert number 3](#)

[Concert number 4](#)

[Concert number 5](#)

Next Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July to end our celebration of Arts Week, we would like to invite you to join us in watching a live Sandwich Series concert which will begin at 2pm. The concert features brothers Brendan and Ryan D, singer-songwriter Leona Mae, and brothers Zac, Fin and Josh from the band Princes to Kings. To be able to watch the concert live, you will need to join the google meet at 2pm with this code:

[meet.google.com/xbw-iwgu-kdo](https://meet.google.com/xbw-iwgu-kdo)

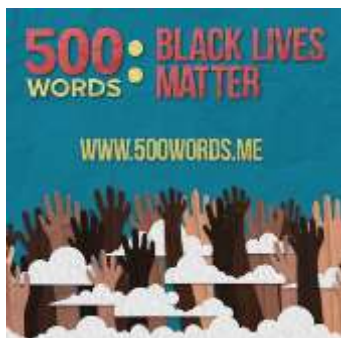
## **SIXTH FORM INDUCTION: MESSAGE FROM MRS MOUNCEY AND MISS CLARK**

Sixth Form Induction took place online on 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> June. Nearly 300 students attended, with over 100 students joining us from other schools. Students were able to view presentations about life in the Sixth Form, all of the opportunities on offer, and were also able to take part in recorded lessons for each of their chosen subjects. An evaluation form enabled students to feedback about their experience and ask any further questions. The materials are all available through the website below, so students can continue to engage with advice and guidance. Summer work has also been set for each subject, which students will need to bring in ready for their first lessons in September. Thank you to all of the students for participating in the process, we hope that you are all excited about starting your journey in the Sixth Form in September!



<https://sandringham.herts.sch.uk/about-the-sixth-form/>

## 500 WORDS: BLACK LIVES MATTER



500 Words is the world's largest story-writing competition for children. Over a million stories have been submitted since 2011, in response to everything from technology to climate change. Now, they would like to bring children's voices onto the themes and issues emerging from the Black Lives Matter movement and lead on the process of writing their story. From Monday 29th June until Friday 3rd July, they are inviting children aged between 5 and 13 to respond in whatever way they wish in no more than 500 words, in the form of a story. For more details please look on

<https://500words.me/>

## LETTERS OF KINDNESS

Thanks again to Ms Quinn who has been co-ordinating the Letter of Kindness initiative. Here are a few extracts from letters that we have found particularly moving this week.



*"Dear Key Worker. I hope you are having a good day, you deserve it! Remember, even if you are feeling upset or down, quarantine won't last forever, you are loved and you are unique. You are strong. Together we can get through these hard times - I believe in us!"*

*"Dear amazing NHS worker. I want to say a massive Thank You for putting your life at risk to save others. You are inspiration to the whole world. Me and my family are doing are best to not spread the virus by staying at home and social distancing from others."*

*"Dear care home workers. Thank you for taking care of the people that need the most help during this pandemic. My great- grandad lives in Spain and he's being taken care of and I'm really happy that he has someone to keep him company. The extra care you're giving is helping those people not feel lonely or scared. Thank you once again."*

*"Dear Famers. **THANK YOU!** So much for growing fruit and vegetables to keep our country healthy. We would be stuck without you! Together we can get through this, keep going! You are doing a great job."*



### **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.



### **A BIG THANK YOU TO THE CARETAKERS**



Whilst a lot of us have been away from school, Mr Chandler and the caretaking team have been busy ensuring the school is a safe environment to work in and that it will be looking its best for when everyone returns later in the year. Darren and Bert have made a lovely bespoke bookcase for the new English faculty office 'K Block' and we're sure you'll agree that S Block is also looking great with its new canopy. We look forward to you seeing the changes soon.



### **SCHOOL RESOURCES COLLECTION UPDATE**



As we approach the end of the academic year, it is normal practice for the school not to issue new exercise books unless absolutely necessary. In an effort to be as sustainable as possible and reduce waste, from Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June we will no longer issue exercise books at Student Services. The last day for collecting resources will, therefore, be on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June from 9am to 11am. We would encourage students to make use of lined paper if they are out of space in their exercise books.

## CELEBRATING THE BIRTHDAY OF THE NHS

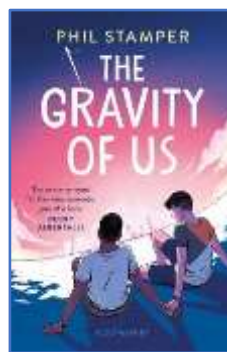
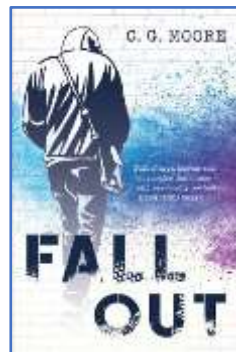
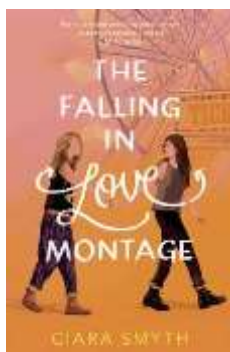


It will be the 72<sup>nd</sup> birthday of the NHS on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July and there are lots of ways you can get involved to celebrate. There will be a minute's silence on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July and the lighting of candles to remember the tens of thousands of people who have died from coronavirus. There will also be the "biggest thank you" clap in Britain's history on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July. People are then encouraged to get in touch with someone

who is lonely or shielding to let them know they are supported. Bedfordshire Hospitals Trust are also suggesting wearing rainbow colours on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July and posting your photo's online with the hashtags: #ldhfundraising #nhsbirthday.

## NEW LGBTQ+ BOOKS AVAILABLE AT THE LIBRARY

The following new LGBTQ+ books are now available on the Sandringham web app through MySandSTORM > Accessit Learning Resource Centre. Email Ms Kirby to reserve these through Click & Collect.



## LAST DAY FOR COLLECTING RESOURCES- MONDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 9AM-11AM



Mon 29 <sup>th</sup> June	ARTS WEEK BEGINS 9-11am CLICK AND COLLECT LIBRARY 530pm VIRTUAL INDUCTION FOR NEW Y7
Tues 30 <sup>th</sup> June:	5-6.30pm - SYCD & Contemp Seniors.
Weds 1 <sup>st</sup> July:	3:15-4pm Striding Out, Junior Dance 3:15-4pm Boys Dance Club
Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	9-11am CLICK AND COLLECT LIBRARY 1:30pm Virtual Drama Club (every week) 3:15-4:30pm Triple Edge and Junior Dance
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	1.20-1.55pm Contemporary Dance club 2pm LIVE Sandwich Series concert