

LOCKDOWN SPECIAL EDITION



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# LHS MATTERS

Lady Hawkins' School Newsletter  
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I would like this edition of LHS Matters to be a huge thank you to everyone who is a part of our school community. You can see from the pages which follow just some of the ways in which people have supported each other and kept each other going through these most unusual times. Without the support that we have given to each other, whether academic, practical or emotional, the past few weeks would have been much more difficult.

It has been very obvious that our school is not just a building, it is a community and one that we should be very proud of, I know that I am.

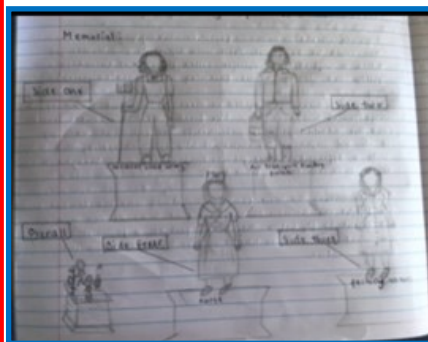
Stay well, stay safe and I hope to see everyone back here as soon as it is safe to do so.

Mr P Jennings  
Headteacher



## VE DAY IN LOCKDOWN

Even though we were in lockdown Lady Hawkins' School students and staff took part in the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration and commemoration for VE (Victory in Europe) Day. Year 9s produced some fantastic work to mark the event including posters and memorial designs.



We have also been posting accounts of some of our ex-students' and ex-teachers' incredible wartime stories on the LHS Facebook. More are being added through the week to mark this important anniversary and the role and sacrifice made by our former staff and students.

## COMMUNITY HELP

Jack from Year 7 has been helping out in the local community by mowing his elderly neighbours lawns and helping his dad build a new bus shelter for Titley. They even decorated it for VE Day!



## TEACHING ALL OVER THE WORLD!

Mrs Collister, who was travelling when Lockdown began has been teaching Year 10 Maths from Australia, even despite the time difference!

The plane journey home gave her plenty of time for planning lessons and now she is back at home and teaching from wales.

Welcome back Mrs Collister.



## GOVERNORS GO ONLINE

LHS Governors still have to 'meet' to discuss school matters and keep the school running behind the scenes. They held their first online meeting via Teams on 11<sup>th</sup> May and despite a few technical issues to begin with, it was a productive meeting and there are more planned.

Some governors were lucky enough to have an 'office' space to be in during the meeting... other governors were sat in their car or in the garden shed to find a quiet spot for the meeting!



## YEAR 8 SCIENCE

Year 8s have been making bug houses as part of their science work with Miss Green. Here are just a few examples.



When she's not teaching Miss Green has been making Dandelion honey with her little helper. Apparently it tastes just like honey but it is vegan.

Miss Green has also been incubating some chicken eggs which she has shared with her Year 8s. They are due to hatch very soon!





## PROVIDING FACE VISORS FOR FRONTLINE STAFF

Our LHS Caretaker Mr Sapey and his family, including our Year 7 student Jemima, have been using the laser cutter in the LHS Technology dept to make face visors for key workers all across the county. To date they have made and donated over 1,700 face visors!



Messages of thanks have been coming in from Hereford Hospital, as well as individuals and local care homes.



We owe a huge thanks too for the generous donations of materials by many local people and businesses making this project possible.

## FRESH PAINT FOR LHS GATES

Our amazing team of cleaners have thoroughly cleaned the school and are now using their time giving the school grounds a spring clean.

As well as clearing away the winter leaves they have also given the front gates a fresh lick of paint.



## SCIENCE EXPERIMENTS AT HOME

Year 9 student Ruben and his brother Felix have been testing 'bouncy eggs', a home version of a project Ruben had started at school with Miss Latimer. We're not sure Miss Latimer would have had tested the eggs using a baseball bat!





## JUNK SCULPTURES

Kit from Year 11 has been helping out at his parents' smallholding, including laying tarmac for the first time. He has even started making junk sculptures as gifts and hoping to sell some of his creations.

What fabulously creative upcycling!



## GARDEN LANDSCAPING

Zebedee from Year 8 has been busy helping his dad do jobs in the garden, particularly mixing concrete and digger driving.

## FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Thanks to NISA Kington for supporting our Free School Meal voucher scheme. Enabling us to provide food vouchers to those families who may have struggled without free lunches in school every day.





## CLASSIC CAR RESTORATION

Toby from Year 9 has been working on an old Triumph Vitesse with his dad, learning how to dismantle and fix all the parts before a full rebuild.



## ARTISTIC SIDE

Ellie in Year 7 has been doing live tutorials with Elle Smith Art on Facebook and these are the results, from her efforts so far.

She has also been completing daily challenges set from her dance school and she won a choreography competition within the dance school winning a voucher towards new kit.

Dance and Guitar classes have continued online via zoom and facetime so their kitchen is often a dance studio or music room. These photos were about recreating a pose you could find of another dancer and posing in pointe shoes.

The creative bits seem to be the thing that is keeping her going through lockdown.

