

the GREENROOM school



GRW & GR6

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Last Circle Time Of The Year!

Our last day of the year is fast approaching and, because we can't all be together physically, we're going to make our last Circle Time of the year the best one yet! So, make sure you're online at 10am on Friday 10th July to celebrate in true Green Room style!

End Of Year Picnics

With the end of the year almost upon us, and nearly time to say goodbye, we will be wrapping up both Wednesday and Thursday with picnics. These will provide a lovely opportunity, firstly to say 'well done' to all of our physical school pupils, but also to say 'goodbye' - and although we will still be seeing everyone on Friday for an online end of year Circle Time, it will be the last time that we see our pupils face to face before they head off for summer. Wednesday's picnic will be at The Green Room allotment and Thursday's will be in the park area of the Windsor Leisure Centre. Food and drink will be provided.

Summer School

We know that our pupils will miss school terribly over the summer, so we have decided to run a few summer school sessions in the holidays! There won't be much maths, english or science going on - think more picnics at the allotment, BBQs and consoletopia events. Activities will be run on 22/07, 05/08 and on 20/08 (this last one being a results day event for our Year 11's!). Each day will have a

limited capacity to ensure we stick to government guidelines on social distancing and pupils can sign up to attend closer to the time. We are looking forward to seeing our pupils there!



Art Craft And Design - Hockney Discovery

The pupils have been learning about David Hockney this week, our final artist on our course of discovery across the art world. They have developed research skills exploring his background and have seen how he has embraced and incorporated digital technology in his projects - we have even created our own digital Hockney artwork with our virtual school group watching Baffy making a Hockney inspired work of art on his home computer. We will be incorporating more digital drawing into the Art Craft and Design programme next year.

Slash Site Challenge

In this week's Slash Site Challenge we return to what we are really good at - being creative! This week's challenge is to create a cheesy commercial advertising the summer holidays - this is open to interpretation, for example - filming an advert, or maybe making a cheesy



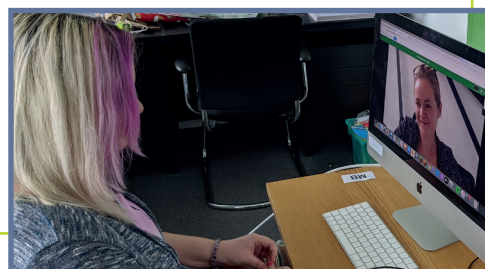
commercial poster - something silly which will be presented at the final Circle Time of the year next week!

The Coach House

The Coach House at The Swan is undergoing a Cinderella style transformation. By the end of this weekend it will have the skeleton of a new roof! It is going to be a brilliant technical suite that will be well used by our Sixth Form next year and also our year 9&10 for their weekly Gaming lessons! Watch this space as a mouldy old pumpkin turns into a glittering Coach (house).

VIVA

Poor **Maddie** - maybe the only pupil in the country to sit an exam this year! Luckily she did incredibly well and presented her 5 LORIC projects to a very high standard. The VIVA panel were impressed with all that she has achieved over the past two years and how these achievements have helped her change. We await the official results but have high hopes for an excellent grade. Well done, Maddie, you have made us all proud!





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Star Pupils

This week's pupil of the week was **Orlando**. The work of the week went to **Joe** for his work with Rebecca in Art. The 1:1 superstar went to **Jaidon** for maths and english. The winners of the weekly challenge were the Monday and Wednesday group; **Curtis, Joe, Mason, Oliver, Kenton, Anthoney, Caitlin, Callum, Josh and Toby**. This week is the last week of challenges ahead of the sports day challenges in our last week of term.

Cooking

This week pupils have been busy making delicious hot sausage rolls - the results were amazing!!



Alumni

It was lovely to catch up with our Alumni this week to find out what they have been up to. We are very proud of **Andrew** for passing Level 1 Carpentry and going on to Level 2 in September. It was great hearing how much **Jake** is enjoying his job and he even offered to treat us to a meal! It's wonderful to hear how successful they are - a real credit to GRK.

Sport

We have enjoyed some great sport lessons since being back at school. This has included work on fine motor skills,

problem solving, a sporting "golf" challenge, some gym and fitness work and a hand-eye coordination challenge. It's been great to see pupils pushing themselves and trying new things, even when out of their comfort zone. We can't wait to see them demonstrate their skills at the sports days next week!

Physical School

We welcomed back some more GRK pupils this week, and it was lovely to see them in person again after all this time. Pupils have enjoyed a variety of tasks, including customising their T-shirts for the HOMEFEST Circle Time, putting up the new rabbit enclosure, maths and english 1:1s, tending to the allotment and harvesting potatoes for our BBQ next week.

Dates To Remember

- Last lessons (Virtual and Physical) Thursday 9th July
- Sports Day Wednesday 8th - Thursday 9th July
- End of term HOMEFEST Circle Time 9.45am Friday 10th July
- Summer BBQ - this will be in August and information will follow based on government guidance.

How Does Electricity Work?

In science, pupils have enjoyed exploring how electricity works by constructing a variety of different circuits. They have succeeded in running motors, illuminating light bulbs and turning on buzzers using their choice of switches. Although some were concerned of being electrocuted, we can happily report all survived the lesson unscathed having created a

wide array of working circuits!



Home Visits

Home visits have provided a wonderful opportunity to see pupils in their own environments and meet some well talked about pets! Our CEO Joe got involved this week as he had heard what fun everyone was having!

Futures

Most of our pupils love gaming but how many have seriously thought about whether this could lead into a career? On our Futures Classroom this week is the story of how one person turned their passion for gaming into a career in games design.

Tailored 1:1 Sessions

We have introduced tailored 1:1 sessions for pupils which provide an opportunity to engage in sessions they particularly love. One session was football training with two pupils off site which they really enjoyed.



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Summer Term Dates

Last day of term - Friday July 10th