STICK ME ON THE FRIDGE! the GREENROOM school APRIL 24 2020 USEFUL INFOMATION

A quick update of everything going on at GRW and GR6 this week!

Technology & E-safety

We're so impressed with how all our pupils have managed the technology they have, so they can access our lovely lessons. If you do have problems, though, tell us! We don't want anything to stop you from joining us.

Pupils have been reminded of all of these very important points in circle time.

E-safety guidelines/help pages:

For Pupils

Childline - for support

<u>UK Safer Internet Centre</u> - to report and remove harmful online content

CEOP - for advice on making a report about online abuse

For Parents

Internet matters - for support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online

<u>London Grid for Learning</u> - for support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online

Net-aware - for support for parents and carers from the NSPCC

Parent info - for support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online

Thinkuknow - for advice from the National Crime Agency to stay safe online

UK Safer Internet Centre - advice for parents and carers

Dates To Note

Friday 8 May: Bank Holiday

25-29 May: Half Term 10 July: End of Term

Attendance

Thank you parents and carers for all your help getting pupils up and ready for circle time. If your child will not be online for any reason, please do let us know by telephone at 07838 264711 or email angel@thegreenroomschool.com

Wacky Races

Despite lockdown we continue to be audacious and provide positive learning experiences for our students. Traditionally we start each term with a Brain Gym to help students re engage their mental muscles and we did not want to veer from that path. This term began with a Virtual Brain Gym, a Wacky Race around the globe using google earth. Students travelled the globe taking in information and answering questions from the depth and breadth of our curriculum. It was a lot of fun; a great way to travel the world from our own lockdown locations.

Virtual Tour

As we're all finding out, being stuck at home during the Lockdown has its limitations - but pupils had a unique opportunity on Wednesday morning to explore some of the world's most interesting and cultural sites. Staff acted as tour guides and led pupils around sites such as Glastonbury, Disney World, and Central Park. Pupils even had the chance to explore volcanoes or some of the world's best museums through a Google Arts and Culture Tour.

Music (4D)

This term Music lessons are dedicated to understanding Self Reliance Techniques.A guided yet independent focus on Bass Guitar and Singing is offered within our 4th Dimension Catalogue. We are adding material and lessons to Google Classroom, Chat and the occasional video call and becoming quite aware the music is not in the notes, but in the silence in between.



Volunteering

We all want to do our bit to help our community cope with the Coronavirus Pandemic. Staff & students have already been shopping for those who are selfisolating and helping the NHS by sewing scrubs and assisting in hospital wards and on the phone. We are actively exploring more ways to help the community and get our 6th Form involved in volunteering.

Check out what it was actually like in The Virtual Green Room...

Watch the video here

'Recipe'

We sincerely appreciate all our parents' help in making the Virtual Green Room such a success - see our recipe for success below :-)

Recipe for Success at the Virtual Green Room

1 awake pupil (ideally out of bed and dressed)*

- 1 chrome book or computer (logged into Google Hangout)
- 1 internet connection

Breakfast/Lunch (preferably healthy!)

- 1 Awesome Green Room Circle Time
- 1 Inspirational Head of School
- 15 eager staff (with added caffeine as needed)

Mix gently to achieve a fantastic online education.

*Parent's bit - we so appreciate your help with this!

Great Advice in The Lockdown

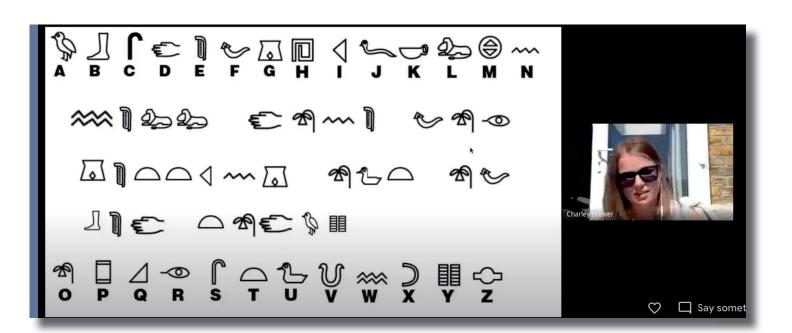
We partner with PiXL - who have developed some brilliant resources for pupils and parents to help cope with the lock down. There's also a Kindness Diary. We've attached the parent booklet and Kindness Diary for Mums, Dads and Carers to use and the pupils will be introduced to their resources in school. We'd be delighted to know what you think.

Help With Food Bills

Our second tranche of payments has gone out this week to help our families with food bills. Everyone is offered this regardless of whether they qualify for the Government's Free School Meals Scheme - if you haven't signed up yet do get in touch.

New 4D options/activities

One of the new options for 4D this half term is Logographic Languages. This week, we looked at deciphering Ancient Egyptian hieroglyphs and attempted to write our own names using this archaic alphabet. Next week - Yucatec! An old Maya language.



Get In Touch

Whilst we are in lockdown, you can contact us during office hours on our school mobile 07983 577179. Or at anytime by email office@thegreenroomschool.com.