The Minster School Friday 3rd April





WISDOM OPTIMISM RESILIENCE KINDNESS SERVICE



MINSTER HUB

The Minster Hub offers weekday provision for vulnerable children and those of key workers. It is available to children from across the family of schools in and around Southwell. Visit the hub website at http://www.minster.notts.sch.uk/minsterhub for more details and to make a booking. Over the Easter holiday (including bank holidays) the onsite provision continues operating.

Key Updates

KEEPING SAFE, WELL BEING AND KEY CONTACTS

Our pastoral services at school are available as we continue to support families at this turbulent time. All key information can be found here along with a PDF document which has been shared with students to access support to a range of services both externally and in school.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Our worship team are producing and sending out a recorded 'Thought for the Week'. This will reflect upon our themes and values and provide a common focal point for our school community each week.

We ask that students and families take 5-10 minutes to pause and listen to this during their week and to reflect upon the thoughts therein. Visit our Minster School YouTube channel to watch.

ONLINE SAFETY

In the current climate, keeping children safe online is about openness and honesty and **engaging** young people in conversation as well as giving **support**, **guidance and advice** on how to behave online and report content if needed.

Useful sites to support these conversations and keeping children safe online are below:

https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk www.parentinfo.org

A key message is how to deal with problems when they occur. If a student sees something upsetting, they should seek support and feel they can have an open and honest conversation with you as their parent/carer, with school via the pastoral team (detailed on the school website), or by emailing safeguarding@minster.notts.sch.uk

A vital message is to not engage with unkindness or inappropriate content, don't reply, don't comment, don't share. Not engaging is always the best option.

LEARNING AT HOME

Show My Homework is working well, and our students are using it successfully to complete the tasks set and ask teachers for help through the chat function. It has been fantastic to see examples of work that have come in from students who have continued with a strong work ethic whilst not in school. If any future problems arise with the use of Show My Homework, please email Mr A Wall (a.wall@minster.notts.sch.uk). Just a reminder that if the teacher asks for the work to be handed in, the best way to do this unless specified by a teacher is via Show My Homework. If your child is unsure how to do this, please ask them to watch the following video:

Using Show My Homework to submit work

EASTER PROVISION AND BEYOND

Work will continue to be set lesson by lesson until the Easter holiday. After the holiday, although Show My Homework will continue to be the main tool for sharing work, there will be new ideas and ways of working in some areas can be found here. Plans for learning after Easter

Over Easter we will not be setting curriculum-based homework, but instead have put together a series of 'Why don't you.....' activities for all of the family to get involved in.

And why don't you share these to HomeActivities@minster.notts.sch.uk

Learning Idea of the Week

CULTURAL EXPERIENCE

Every Thursday at 7.00pm the National Theatre are streaming free a live performance via YouTube which will be available until the following Thursday.

There are a range of plays in the coming weeks. You can find out more about what's available at National Theatre at Home by following this link National Theatre Home learning ideas are regularly updated on the Hub website. Visit home learning for a range of activities to do.

News



YEAR 7 RUGBY As school closed the year 7 rugby team were

announced as the undefeated county champions! Congratulations boys - fantastic result.

POST 16 NEWS

We're really delighted that the three students in Year 13 interested in studying medicine have all recently received university offers. The students have not only been conditionally successful themselves, but also work with Miss Toms as part of our 'Minster Medics' support group for our current Year 12 students who are interested in applying for medicine this Autumn. Well done to Jessica, Hannah and Zac.

YEAR 11 AND YEAR 13 - SO LONG NOT GOODBYE

Leavers assemblies were organised for both year groups at short notice to allow students to gather as year groups and celebrate their time with us. Our teachers are still in touch with year 11 and many of our year 11 students will be returning to our sixth form, however we will be taking the opportunity to celebrate with them in the future.





The year 13 Leavers assembly was a heartfelt event and with such short notice. Following goodbye messages from Mr Parris and Mr Samuels, our out-going student Head Team did a wonderful job in orchestrating some very tongue-in cheek leavers awards for their fellow students. We know our students have very bright futures and it's not a final goodbye, as our teachers are still very much communicating with Year 13 students and we will see them all again.

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Learning Gallery

WE WOULD LOVE YOU TO SHARE.....

Any hopeful stories and examples of great activity at home: Learning; Well-being and Community spirit. Please only share if you are happy for us to celebrate with the wider school community through this newsletter and Twitter (only first names will be used) – send to homeActivities@minster.notts.sch.uk



















