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Year 7 Newsletter

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Year 7 Welcome

Dear Year 7 Students and Parents/Carers

I hope that you and your families remain well as the lockdown restrictions start to change. It is promising to hear a slight relaxing of social distancing rules and the opening of cinemas, theatres, theme parks and zoos at the beginning of July. It is of course important to remember the need for social distancing and not start meeting in big groups at the moment. It is of course even more exciting to think about you all returning to school in September!!!! Hopefully, if all people in our community take slow steps and follow guidance, we can avoid these restrictions being reversed and you can look forward to spending some face to face time with your teachers in a few months time. At the moment there is no way of knowing what that will look like, but rest assured Mr Chotai, Mrs Rees and Mr Boyden will be working hard during the summer to make sure any return is safe for you all.

It is great to hear there are more and more of you accessing the live lessons, and I have had some great feedback from your teachers about conduct and interaction during these sessions. Well done, keep it up!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Suttun for her work with Year 7 this year. She starts her maternity leave at the end of the week and on behalf of the Year 7 Achievement team I would like to wish her good luck for the safe arrival for her baby. If there are any concerns from form members/family then please contact Mr Bidwell jbi@cdarwin.com.

I hope you all enjoy these sunny days. Take care, stay safe, work hard.

Mrs Wheeler



Science (Mrs Lussier-Foy)

Well done to the 7X3's that joined me for an online catch up last week. **Bailey Thomas, Tillie Bansel, Louis Simons, Elysia Heggie, Ella Jones, Michael Gewitzke, Isabelle Kinahan, Zach Morbey** and **Hannah Smithson**....so lovely to speak to you all!!

Geography (Mr Goss)

The following students are continuing to work well and submitting work consistently: **Michael Gewitzke, Elysia Heggie, Isabelle Kinahan, Zach Morbey, Finley Powell, Hannah Smithson, Bailey Thomas, Evie McKenna, Charlie Rea, James Shanks, Amber Steer, Ella Threadgill** and **Ezekiel Beckford**.

Miss Partridge

The following students have been consistently submitting work to a high standard for our current topics of Plastics in the Oceans. **Sienna Hobbs, Jedd Hobbs, Joshua Mears, Milly Bigsby, Harriett Pickett-Cooke, Maddie Rees Simpson, Hugh Santori Lambert** and **Freddie Sinclair**. Well done to **Billy Tinto** for completing all of his Geography work in the last few weeks.

Maths (Mr Desai)

My live lesson is on Thursdays at 11am - make sure you log in to join me! 7Y3 please make sure you are completing your MathsWatch work too!

Mrs Ash

7y5 live lesson is every Thursday at 10.30am (this week only 3 logged on: **Grantas Zirgulis, Billy Hudson** and **Emily Harris**, well done, you were fab!)

7x2 is every Friday at 10.30am. 18 logged on today and we had a really good lesson, but a full class would be great next time!

If you have a concern regarding your mental health or that of another student please email Mrs Wheeler: swh@cdarwin.com or Mr Bidwell: jbi@cdarwin.com

Art

Miss Doughty

Freddie Sinclair



Millie Walker



Lizzie Aspinall



Charlotte Field



Olivia Zirgulyte

Olivia Cuddy

**Mr Kothari**

This week my Year 7 classes were tasked with producing some Celtic Knotwork patterns. It took a tremendous deal of patience and diligence to produce these types of designs. Some examples of student work are as follows:

Katie Gibbons



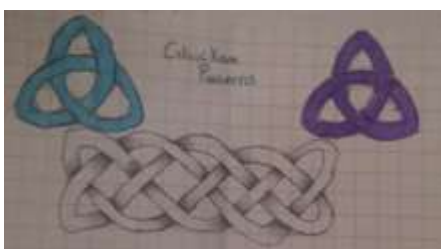
Nikol Pavlova



Millie Walker



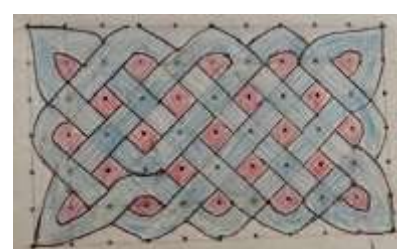
Lauren Strong



Louis Clark



Zach Morbey



I would also like to praise the following students for keeping up to date with all their assignments and producing exceptionally high quality work throughout the entire home learning phase. This is such a great achievement considering the circumstances we are under. They are: **Blake Balde, Lois Clark, Carys Coles, Olivia Dauris, Ruby Lucas, Jaiden McQuillan, Zach Morbey, Luciana Paul, Dylan Rest, Shaadiya Robinson, Ellie Smart, Ella Threadgill, Millie Walker, David Agyaakwah, Charlotte Field, Katie Gibbons, Ella Griffiths, Zara Lewis, Daniel McCarthy, Damon McPherson, Maisy Moore, Nikol Pavlova, Harriett Picket-Cooke, Sasha Rawlins, Nathan Reeves, Hugh Sartori-Lambert, Isabel Shorter and Alexander Withers.**

I am very proud of you all. Well done!!

Drama (Miss Currie)

Callum Smart has produced some excellent work on 'A Monster Calls' showing great evaluative skills and a clear use of structure. He is also always incredibly polite and friendly when emailing his work and has met all deadlines that have been set so far.

Kyra Thornhill and **Katie Gibbons** for writing very imaginative pieces on the 'Missing Girl' news report.

Lucy Gooding and **James Shanks** for the second week in a row, they have both really impressed me with the quality of the Drama work they are producing. Keep it up! Their news reports were very well structured, with an imaginative backstory for the missing girl. They also wrote in a professional tone. Well done.

Drama Classes and 7FSu (Mrs Suttun)

I wanted to take the opportunity to say thank you to all my Drama classes and our fabulous form for this year. We have had fantastic lessons and you have shown great energy and enthusiasm, I have been particularly impressed by the resilience and determination I have seen during lockdown and have thoroughly enjoyed reading your storyboards based on the stimulus in the last few weeks, you are all such a creative bunch. Form time has been interesting to say the least and I have missed all your loud voices! I will be going on maternity leave next week, Monday 29th June and therefore Miss Currie will be setting work for my Drama classes the rest of the term. Please do not be confused when this happens! I wish you all a lovely summer break and I look forward to catching up with you, especially my form next year when you will be all grown up and finishing Year 8!!!

Music (Miss Mace)

Here are the stats as of this week for the viewing of online video lessons....

Year 7

Samba lesson - 66
Ostinato lesson - 90
Ground Bass/Remix - 24
Total: 180 views

Year 8

African Drumming and 12
Bar Blues lesson - 48
Ragime - 61
Jazz - 9
Total: 118 views

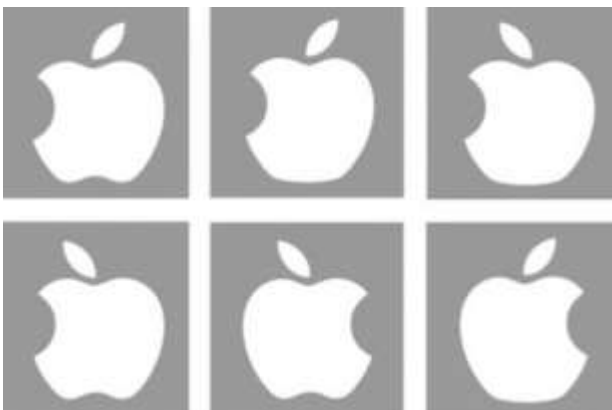
Come on Year 8!! Well done Year 7 - a clear lead! It is good to see the numbers increasing each week. Don't forget to send your teacher a fact on SMHW after watching your online lesson.

Weekly Challenges

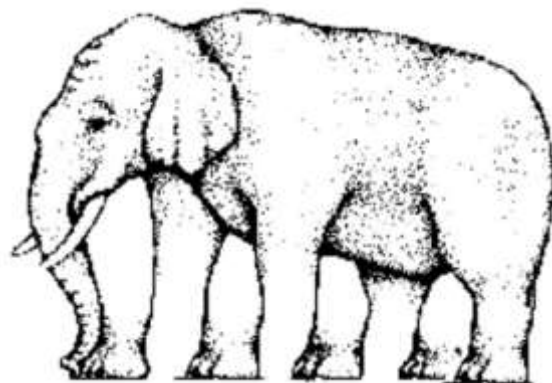
Please do email me with pictures of home based projects and answers to the brain teasers!

Brain teasers

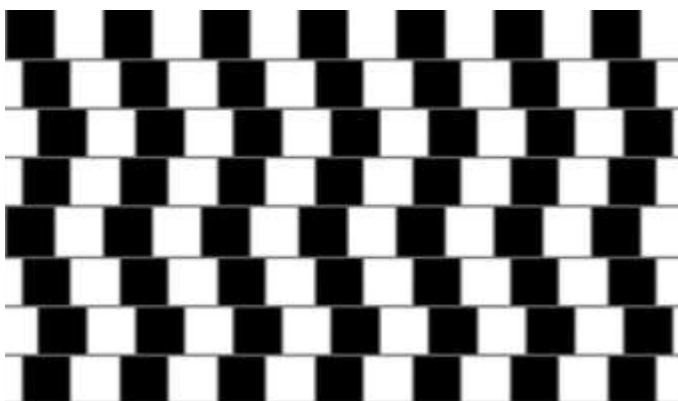
Can you correctly identify Apple's logo?



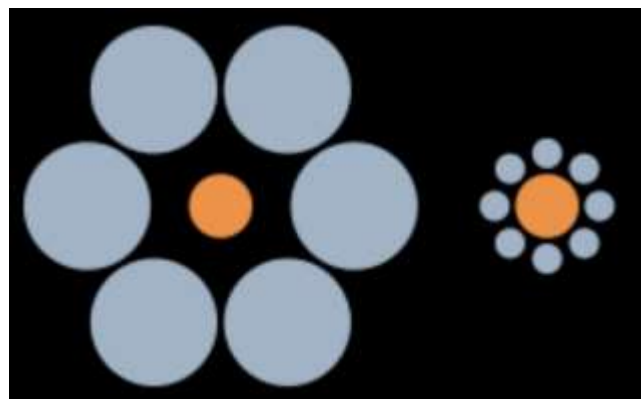
How many legs does the elephant have?



Are the horizontal lines straight or crooked?



Are the two orange circles the same size?



School Lockers

As the school year draws to a close all students will need to come into school for a short period to clear their lockers so that they can be cleaned over the summer break.

Each form group has been allocated a one hour slot over the next few weeks and students will be supervised by staff during this time to ensure social distancing is maintained.

The schedule for your child's form is below. Please note that due to social distancing requirements we are unable to allow students into school at any other time.

If your child is unable to attend please do inform us.

FORM	DATE	TIME
7SAL	Tuesday 30 th June	10:00-11:00am
7GCU	Tuesday 30 th June	12:00-13:00pm
7RPI	Tuesday 30 th June	14:00-15:00pm
7FSU	Thursday 2 nd July	10:00-11:00am
7LBY	Thursday 2 nd July	12:00-13:00pm
7HCO/VMA	Thursday 2 nd July	14:00-15:00pm
7MED	Monday 6 th July	8:00-9:00am
7SDA/WDA	Monday 6 th July	10:00-11:00am
8AGI	Monday 6 th July	12:00-13:00pm
8JLA	Monday 6 th July	14:00-15:00pm
8NYE	Tuesday 7 th July	10:00-11:00am
8KWO	Tuesday 7 th July	12:00-13:00pm
8RSH	Tuesday 7 th July	14:00-15:00pm
8CBA/MDI	Wednesday 8 th July	10:00-11:00am
8KMA	Wednesday 8 th July	12:00-13:00pm
8LBR	Wednesday 8 th July	14:00-15:00pm

9NDY	Thursday 9 th July	10:00-11:00am
9CLU	Thursday 9 th July	12:00-13:00pm
9ADO/GJO	Thursday 9 th July	14:00-15:00pm
9PDG/STI	Friday 10 th July	10:00-11:00am
9EOL	Friday 10 th July	12:00-13:00pm
9MHU	Friday 10 th July	14:00-15:00pm
9SHO	Monday 13 th July	8:00-9:00am
9LWR	Monday 13 th July	10:00-11:00am
10EKA	Monday 13 th July	12:00-13:00pm
10SAR	Monday 13 th July	14:00-15:00pm
10GQU	Tuesday 14 th July	8:00-9:00am
10CAH	Tuesday 14 th July	10:00-11:00am
10JSN	Tuesday 14 th July	12:00-13:00pm
10CAB	Tuesday 14 th July	14:00-15:00pm
10FLF	Wednesday 15 th July	8:00-9:00am
10CGR	Wednesday 15 th July	10:00-11:00am
10RMO	Wednesday 15 th July	12:00-13:00pm
11KSA/HCA	Wednesday 15 th July	14:00-15:00pm
11CZY	Thursday 16 th July	8:00-9:00am
11ZPA	Thursday 16 th July	10:00-11:00am
11NKO	Thursday 16 th July	12:00-13:00pm
11SCU	Thursday 16 th July	14:00-15:00pm
11DNU	Wednesday 8 th July	8:00-9:00am
11RBR	Thursday 9 th July	8:00-9:00am
11IMR	Friday 10 th July	8:00-9:00am