

#TEAM DEYES

HALF TERM 5 NEWSLETTER: APRIL-MAY 2021

HEAD TEACHER'S WELCOME



We have enjoyed an uninterrupted half-term here at Deyes and once again there is much to celebrate. I hope that you enjoy the variety of reports in our newsletter and look forward to seeing you in June for our final half term.

ENJOY A RESTFUL HALF TERM BREAK!

SCHOOL CLOUD: PARENT CONSULTATION EVENINGS

As we have continued to manage the challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic, we have been working hard to find suitable alternatives to face-to-face Parent/Carer Consultation Evenings in order to continue to provide an opportunity for parents to safely meet with their son/daughter's subject teachers. To achieve this, we introduced virtual (video) appointments using a new Parents' Evening System, facilitated by a web-based system called 'School Cloud'. We would like to take this opportunity to thank our parents, carers and families for supporting this new venture. We hope you have enjoyed the experiences as much as we have. We are looking to continue using this platform for the next academic year and will be sending out save the date cards for 2021/2022.

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK

Not one to shy away from promoting the mental well-being of our students, this half term saw Deyes recognising and celebrating 'Mental Health Awareness Week'. This year's theme was 'Nature'. At Deyes we spent the week we spent the week working together on how we can all learn to thrive. We asked all students and staff to take on the "My Amazing Deyes" Challenge and see how small changes can have a big effect on raising their well-being. Taking time to relax, dealing with worries, being nice to each other and noticing things that make yourself feel good all help with positive mental health. We hope the week of celebration and joy encouraged all members of Team Deyes to want to do the Deyes challenge every week. Imagine how amazing that would be!

The week itself may be over but if you would like to get involved at home then rise the AMAZING DEYES challenges below:

MY AWESOME DEYES

<p>MY FAVOURTIE SONGS ARE...</p> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>THINGS THAT MADE ME SMILE</p>   	<p>DUMP WORRIES HERE</p>  IS IT WITHIN MY CONTROL?  YES  NO BIN IT!
<p>THIS PERSON NEEDS TO KNOW THEY MADE MY DAY ROCK!</p>	<p>I RELAXED BY...</p> 	<p>WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO ABOUT IT?</p> <p>1) 2) 3)</p>

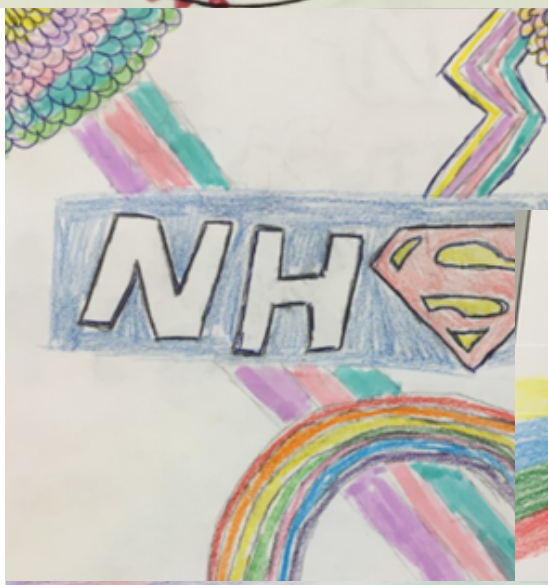
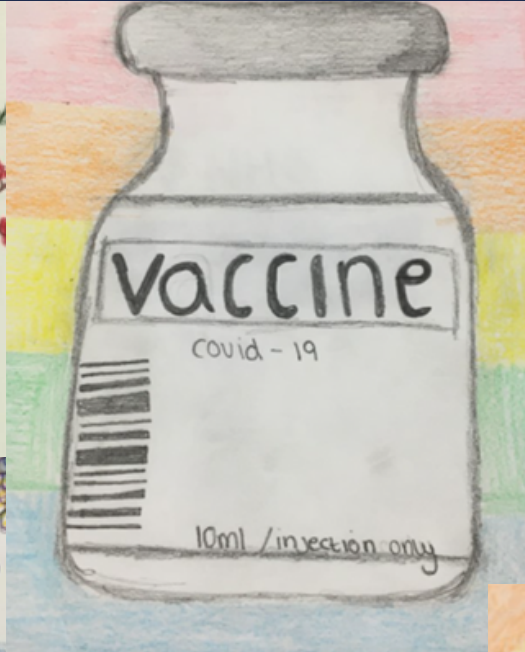
'There is something to be wondered at in all of Nature' Aristotle



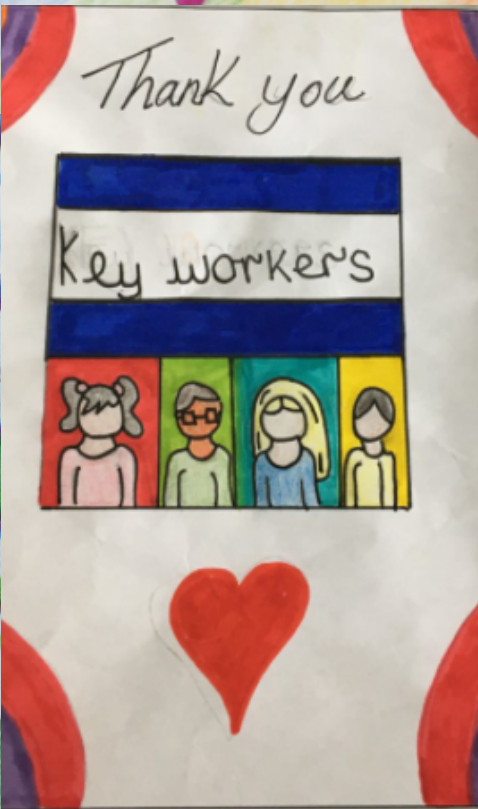
ROYAL MAIL HEROES STAMP COMPETITION

Our wonderful technology teachers, Mrs Winn and Miss Dempster, have been encouraging and collating entries for the Royal Mail Heroes Stamp Competition. The competition serves to acknowledge the Heroes we have witnessed throughout the pandemic in all walks of life. Students are asked to portray their Heroes in the most colourful and creative way by designing a stamp for the Royal Mail. There will be 8 national winners who have the chance to have their stamp produced and also win £1000. A special panel of judges will decide on the winning designs before they are approved by the Queen herself. Our students have shown again how thoughtful and creative they are with their designs which we hope you enjoy viewing. We wish them the best of luck with their entries!





end of the rainbow



DELICIOUS DEYES!

Photos from the amazing practical exam meals for Hospitality & Catering/Food Preparation & Nutrition. They tasted as delicious as they look!



Well done to our hard-working Year 11 students and the supportive staff within this department.

ASPIRING TO OXBRIDGE PROGRAMME



With our year 11 students reaching the end of their studies, a number of students were chosen by their subject teachers as those who could and should look towards applying to go to either Oxford or Cambridge university in the future. As highly competitive universities, we felt it was the perfect time, as the students complete their GCSE courses, for them to start gaining useful experience that could go towards their university application. To do this, we have invited them to the Aspiring to Oxbridge programme.



Oxbridge are always looking for outstanding students, and so their applications are always very competitive, including super-curricular experience. This means that they are looking beyond what they intend to do at A Level and researching aspects of an area or topic which they could continue to study at university. This could be through online courses, lectures, books, journals or in speaking to specialists. This will help them to start to understand the field, know who the most important people are and develop the subject specific language.



They have then the opportunity to present their research in a report, paper or presentation, where Dr Lally will question them about their chosen area, prompting them to think about their new found information. This could provide them with an opportunity that they can use in their application and also the chance to start to take a deeper look at their passion and what they may like to do in the future, starting year 12 already, with competitive experience.



CHANGE YOUR MIND PROJECT

Over the past few weeks, two groups of our year 12 students have come together to begin creating workshops for our primary school peers. The workshops are based around mental health which our students thought was imperative given everything that has happened in the past year. The workshop programme is called Change Your Mind and our students will be creating workshops based around transitioning to high school, digital detoxing and relationships. These will be delivered virtually to our local primaries before the end of the school year. We are so proud that through these challenging times, our students are still putting themselves forward to help others and work to improve mental health. Well done Y12!



SCHOOL MEALS

Could parents please remember to top up their child's Parent Pay school meal account regularly. If you have any problem doing this or require your child's details to set up a Parent Pay account. please contact finance@deyeshigh.co.uk



GOLF GIRLS ROCK!

Zara from Year 8 has been playing golf for a couple of years now at the Tommy Fleetwood Academy at Formby Hall. This year she has had the privilege of being the Junior Captain at Formby Hall. On the 9th May, a Junior Captains Day was held where £650 was raised by holding a raffle. It was donated to the Junior section and the clubs selected charities. Zara has been selected to be an Ambassador for 'Girls Golf Rocks', so if you know any girls between the age of 5 and 18 who fancy giving golf a go, then please check out Girls Golf Rocks at Formby Hall. Taster sessions are on 10th July 2021, 5 – 6pm or 22nd August 2021 at 11.30am. The six-week courses then start on Saturday 24th July 2021, 3 – 4pm or on Sunday 5th September 202, 11.30 – 12.30pm and costs £35 including a goodie bag. Zara would love to see you there!



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£242.27

£403.82



£189.32



£3,180

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WELL DONE YEAR 11

It has been an intense half term for you all getting your last round of assessments completed in each of your subjects, a final few weeks of Year 11 no other year group has ever had to face. You took it all in your stride, knuckled down and did the best you possibly could. This is something that as a year group you are recognised for after the way you have dealt with all the challenges and uncertainties over the last year.

As a year team, we are extremely proud of you all. We wish you a restful half term and hopefully you can take some time to wind down and reflect on all your successes and achievements. We hope to see you making the most of the opportunities on offer after half term and taking part in the transition programme.

We look forward to your leavers assembly where you can all come together one last time to celebrate your time at Deyes High alongside your peers and form tutors.

Miss Leech and Mrs Bradshaw



THE THRIVE
PROGRAMME®

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A group of Year 10 students have attended a seven-week enrichment programme with an organisation that has a long standing professional relationship with Deyes, THRIVE. The objective of the programme was to increase self-awareness and confidence, leading to increased motivation to participate in educational opportunities. The hope was that this would support the overall educational attainment and outcomes for participating young people as they developing THRIVE techniques to support their future. Students have enjoyed the programme and have developed many new techniques. Now that the programme has come to an end, students are using their skills to develop a summer enterprise project which will support our local community. Keep your eyes peeled for the launch during the summer term.



This term National Citizenship Service have been in school both virtually and in person. NCS is a youth programme that runs every summer and autumn, during school holidays. The experience is all about emboldening young people, by giving them the buzz of being an adult (without all the responsibilities). During NCS programmes, participants live away from home and get a taste for independence. They mix with a new crowd of people and take on exciting challenges together. The experience helps young people to develop skills that will set them up for life after school. Participants then get a chance to use these new-found skills, by tackling a passion project of their choosing. NCS is dedicated to providing a platform for young people where they can speak up, get their voice heard and tackle real-world issues close to home. The experience might last just a few weeks, but the impact, that lasts a lot longer. This year students in Year 11 and Year 12 have been given the opportunity to spend some of their summer taking part in the NCS programme. If students haven't yet signed up for this amazing opportunity, it's not too late, just get in touch with Mrs Dainton-King, the Deyes Careers and Employment Engagement Manager.

EDGE HILL UNIVERSITY

Our Year 12 students have recently had the pleasure of attending a virtual session with Edge Hill University which focused on sourcing alternative work experience opportunities. The session was useful, particularly for those students who are interested in health and teaching courses for next September, as the session provided useful tips about how to achieve a high calibre application. The participants left the session feeling inspired to put their summer to good use by securing opportunities for work experience in their fields of interest. Thank you Edge Hill for a very informative session.

BEMORE APPRENTICESHIPS

BEMORE support Careers@Deyes and students within our school by offering independent and impartial brokerage to recruit and grow the number, types and level of apprentices within the Liverpool City Region. The support that BEMORE provide our students is wonderful and complements our careers provision.

Over this last half term, our Year 11 students have been taken part in apprenticeship workshops to help support them with applications and future careers aspirations. One of the sessions was bespoke for our inspiring Barristers & Solicitors. Students attended a session with Weightmans which detailed how they can progress from 6th form to a 6-year degree apprenticeship programme to become a qualified Solicitor. The information they received will no doubt be of immense value to them as they progress in their chosen career pathway.

Feedback from employer after the virtual session;

“Both students really engaged in the session, asking excellent questions. They came across brilliantly and are a credit to themselves and the wider school community”

During the final few weeks of Year 11, students will be invited to attend follow on Apprenticeships sessions - please keep an eye out when we return from the half term break.

**APPRENTICESHIP
SUPPORT**

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PARENT/CARER SUPPORT

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Kooth.com is commissioned for young people across Merseyside between the ages of 10-25*. Kooth.com provides anonymous and personalised mental health support through self-help resources, peer forums and one to one text based counselling chats.

This Eventbrite session delivered by the Kooth Engagement Leads will include a presentation on all key points about the service, a live tour of the Kooth.com site and an opportunity ask any questions you have about the service.

Kooth is a FREE, anonymous, confidential, safe, online Wellbeing service, offering professional support, information, and forums for children and young people.

Access 365 days a year to counsellors who are available from:

12 noon-10pm Monday- Friday
6pm-10pm Saturday and Sunday

Log on through **mobile**, **laptop** and **tablet**.

*Kooth is commissioned for young people in:

- Wirral 11-25
- Liverpool 10-25
- Sefton 10-25
- Knowsley 11-25
- Halton 11-25
- St Helens 11-25

To book on to the FREE session or to find out more, please follow the below links for your preferred date:

Tuesday 8th June - 11am-12pm

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/151615515087>

Wednesday 23rd June - 4:30pm-5:30pm

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/152660326145>

Or contact ehawley@kooth.com for more information



I am pleased to announce a new Weightlifting Club in Formby for young people aged 15+

Would any of your students be interested?

Weightlifting, also known as Olympic weightlifting, is the only barbell sport seen in the Olympic programme. The two competition lifts are the snatch and the clean and jerk which we will learn in the course.

Weightlifting is a technical, strength/power sport which requires excellent coordination, flexibility, balance, speed and of course strength. It is very different to generalised weight training, powerlifting or bodybuilding. Weightlifting requires discipline and mindset.

I myself have been in the fitness industry for over 16 years and am a qualified NLP and hypnotherapy coach which I believe will be a great asset to help empower young people.

Please see attached poster, I would be so grateful if you could share with your parents to give your students the opportunity to join.

Space is limited but with demand I can provide more days, including a Summer holiday programme.

The course is held in Youssef Strength gym in Formby Thursdays at 4-530pm

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