



Word for the week: Resilient (adjective):

- 1) (Of a substance or object) able to recoil or spring back into shape after bending, stretching, or being compressed. "A shoe with resilient cushioning."
- 2) Durable, hard-wearing, stout, strong, sturdy, tough. "Remember that the more resilient the underlay, the more it will prolong the life of your carpet."
- 3) (Of a person or animal) able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions. "Babies are generally far more resilient than new parents realise."

Thought for the week: "Knowledge itself is power." *Francis Bacon*

1. REWARDS

Congratulations to Liam Lane who won Mrs Sharples' caption competition – he thought that Freddie and Dottie were discussing that they are looking forward to the end of lockdown so they can have the house back to themselves and do what they want!

Last week's lucky students from the Principal Honours prize draw will each receive a £10 voucher.

Year 7	Tara O'Keeffe
Year 8	Billy Meer
Year 9	Ruby Sellors
Year 10	Millie Easthough
Year 11	Bethany Goodyear
Year 12	Toma Muflic
Year 13	Brandon George

2. THANK YOU

Thank you for sending so many lovely messages of appreciation to teachers and TAs – these meant a lot to us.

3. FORM TUTOR APPOINTMENT ARRANGEMENTS

Records of work completed show that the vast majority of you are doing lots of work every lesson. If you have fallen behind, or not done as much as you could or should have done, it's not too late. Do as much as you can this week, in preparation for the return to the academy.

4. WELL BEING

There are two good free apps – Calm and Headspace, which will help you to de-stress and have some quiet time if you need it.

5. WORLD BOOK DAY THURSDAY 4 MARCH 2021

Check out the World Book Day website to find out about how World Book Day is running this year and to discover the huge selection of books you can buy for £1. Follow the link:

<https://www.worldbookday.com/>

6. RETURN TO ACADEMY

You and your parents/carers will have received information about return to the academy but just in case here's a reminder of the days for testing and return for each year group.

Date	Year groups to be tested	Year groups to return
Thursday 4 March 2021	Year 10/12	
Friday 5 March 2021	Year 11/13	
Monday 8 March 2021	Year 7/9	Year 10/12
Tuesday 9 March 2021	Year 8	Year 11/13
Wednesday 10 March 2021		Year 7/9
Thursday 11 March 2021		Year 8

7. CAREERS

Results of the last student bulletin:

What was their first job? How many did you get right?

Celebrity	Actual first job
Barack Obama	Baskin-Robbins Ice Cream seller
Hugh Jackman	PE Teacher
Kanye West	Sales Assistant in GAP
Whoopi Goldberg	Morgue Beautician
Jennifer Hudson	Burger King sales assistant
Taylor Swift	Insect Exterminator
Cardi B	Supermarket Cashier
Beyoncé	Cleaner
Dwayne Johnson	Dishwasher
Nicki Minaj	Waitress

This week's challenge

Ask a parent/carer (sibling, or other family member) about their job. Find out the following information:

- What industry do they work in?
- What is their job title?
- What does that mean? What are their main day-to-day tasks?
- What was their career path? i.e. which other jobs did they do before their current one which led them there?
- What is their favourite thing about their job?
- What is the most challenging thing about their job?

And finally, some questions for you:

- Does this sound like a job you would like to have one day?
- What sounded good about it?
- If you didn't like the sound of it, why not? Which areas of it weren't for you?

8. MATHS PROBLEM

Well done to all the students working hard with their Maths lessons. A Sudoku to complete. Send a photograph of your completed Sudoku to Mr Hawtin or Mrs Parker. Good luck!

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The following students are winners of the problem of the week and Maths Moments:

Problem of the week: Sophie Barnfield (ACA/EWA), Ella-Skye Miles (STI), Blaze Barclay Saunders (MBR)

Maths Moments: Autumn Warner (STI/MBR), Angel-Mai Hollis (HME)

9. YEAR 11 AND 13 STUDENTS – AWARDING GCSE & A LEVEL GRADES

Year 11 and Year 13 students will have already received an email from Mrs Sharples and an attached flyer from OFQUAL regarding the awarding of GCSE and A Level grades. In addition, your parents and carers will receive a letter from Mr Hall with more information. The overview below summarises how your teachers will be arriving at your centre assessed grade. We are more than confident that if you continue to work hard you will receive some great grades to secure your place in Sixth Form, college or an apprenticeship.

How GCSEs, AS and A levels will be awarded in summer 2021

Ofqual/21/6751/2

Working out your grade	Evidence	Results and appeals
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graded by teacher judgement Not graded by an algorithm School and college assessments can continue You'll only be assessed on what you've been taught Your teacher will tell you what evidence is used to grade you Private candidates to work with a school, college or exam centre to provide evidence for them to be graded 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mocks, tests and work already done can be used as evidence Non-exam assessment should continue Non-exam assessments can be used as evidence even if incomplete Art & design grade based only on your portfolio Teachers can use question banks provided by exam boards if they want to Results will be based on completed and future work, so keep doing your best 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Results days AS and A level 10 August GCSE 12 August If you're unhappy with your grade, you can appeal it. First step is to submit an appeal to your school or college. <div style="background-color: #ffcdd2; padding: 10px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p style="text-align: center;">You can find out more details from your school, college or exam board, or by visiting the Ofqual website</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> www.gov.uk/ofqual</p> </div>