

Dear parent/ guardian,  
Happy Easter!

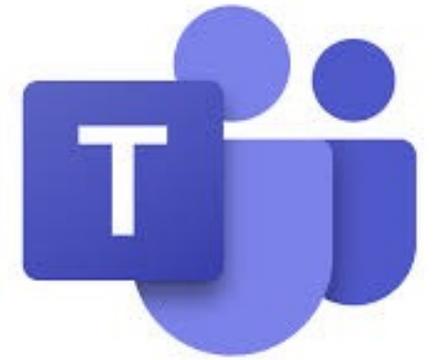
The pupils have settled back into school well after the long lockdown. Routines in school are being re-established and the pupils are finding their way back into school life, having said that I am sure there will be some tired pupils come the Easter holidays.

It is exciting times ahead as the pupils will begin their chosen options in year 9. The deadline for changing options has now passed. If you have any questions about this please email me on the email address below.

There are many rewards and praise for pupils who have been recognised for their hard work at home, in lessons and in session zero. Congratulations to all these pupils. I am very proud of you all.

Please keep in touch and if you have any queries please email me or call the schools main phone number.

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### TEAMS

Staff will continue to set homework on TEAMS and work for those pupils who may be isolating.

## Trainers

Please can you ensure your child comes to school in black school shoes not trainers. The shops should be open again over the Easter holidays but there are also some supermarkets and online retailers who stock school shoes. Thank you for your support in upholding the Smithills Standards.



## Tests

The guidance on home testing has changed. The government is now recommending that home testing continues through the holidays. You should again stick to testing on Wednesday and Sundays if possible.

## Masks

All pupils were given a Smithills branded black mask on their return to school from lockdown. Please ensure your child brings a mask to school everyday as the expectation is they will wear them.



# Test and Trace

# Praise Page

## Well Done!

The following pupils have been recognised by their subject teachers as making positive contributions during their remote learning and since being back in school .

### Maths- Mrs Adam-

George B  
Alysha H  
Lily R  
Alen Z

### English- Mrs Strauss-

**Aishah P**  
**Jayden N**

Above and beyond with all of their work,  
both at home and in school - Fabulous

### Learning Services- Mrs Makinson

Harvey R-S was absolutely spectacular in recalling a story and remembered 98% of what had happened.

Samirah P had steam coming off the keyboard with the amount of work she completed.

Owen P has regularly stretched himself to score 20/20 in information retrieval activities.

Ellie-Mai O.N for always ending my day with a lovely smile and chat.

### MFL Superstars- French-

8c/Fr1: Safaa M, Liam W  
8b/Fr: Luci L, Mason A

### Food Technology- Mrs Scrivens-

Linden R, Daniel W, Amy W, for their great contribution during key worker cooking sessions. Mahir A & Mohammed K for developing some good independent skills during lockdown.

Marwane K for working hard in lockdown as well as the following pupils

Oliver E, Sofia Z Megan K, Amelia H, Jack S, Ellie Mai O.N, Liam W,, Maazin B, Gracie E, Toby O, Raj Bh, Casey C, Rida H.



# Praise Page

## Maths- Mrs Patel

Zabeda A, Seharia R, Arshia IM, Dilawar S – Outstanding work, effort and attendance to live lessons in Maths throughout lockdown.

Zabeda A, Mustaf D, Liam D, Arshia IM, Riyan EM, Zaynab N, Seharia R, Patrick S, Dilawar S, Mohammed OS, Santiago S – consistently working hard in Maths lessons.

## Drama- Miss Oakes

Amazing Pupil Names:

Maazin B, Lexie C, Ava Mosley, Erica S-S, Almedina B, Liam W, Lanah H, Amy W, Caitlyn M, Megan K, Lamia M.

## Dance- Mr Milthorpe

Liam W, Lanah H, Amelia H, Megan K, Brooke B, Mya T, Chloe C, John E, Oliver E, Mohammed OS, Patrick S

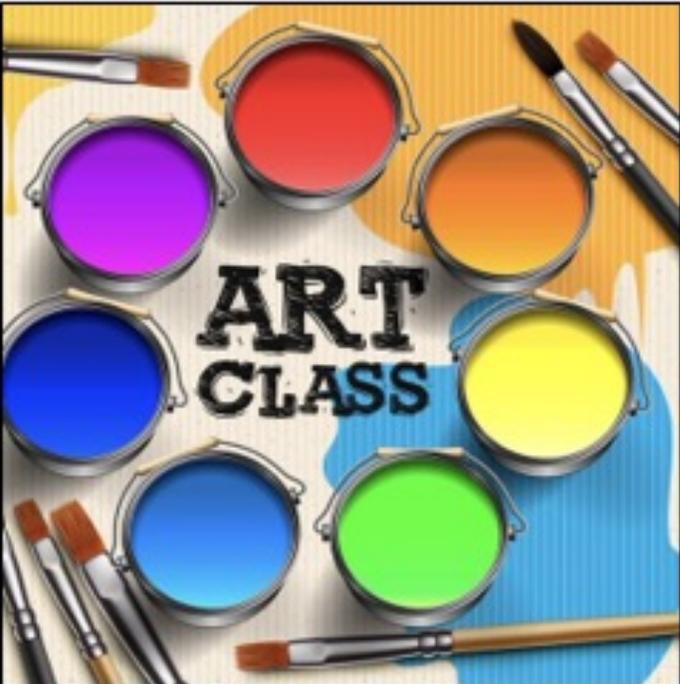
## English- Mrs Naqshbandi-

Liam W for consistently good work.  
Atika R for some incredibly detailed work.  
Samira A for great attitude to her learning.  
Amy W and Ava M – all remote work completed and also continued with high standard when back in school

## MFL Superstars- Spanish-

8b/Sp: Rayyaan H, Brooke B  
8c/Sp: Almedina D, Slman F



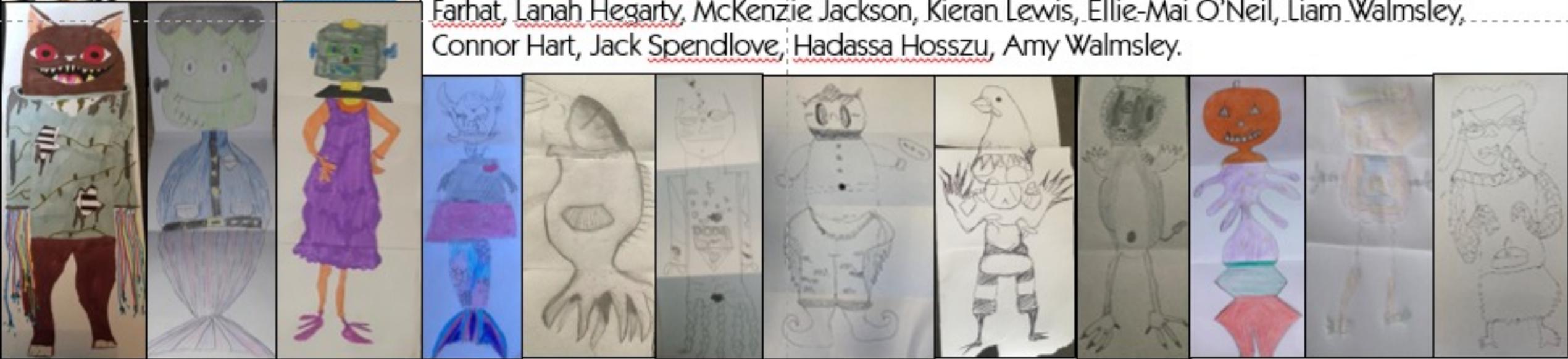


## Art News

Students in Art have been looking at art, craft and design this term from the Art Deco period and Surrealism. They have created some fantastic geometric and symmetrical designs based on Deco stained glass windows which students are going to be experimenting with printmaking techniques during their art lessons in school. They have also looked into the strange art form of Exquisite Corpse, creating weird and wonderful creatures using a range of body parts in the style of Jake and Dinos Chapman (YBA).

Well done to the following students for your hard work, effort and fabulous artwork!!

Maazin Bax, Lexie Clark, Gracie Entwistle, Khadija Omar, Yaqub patel, Jack Richardson, Mya Taylor, Maariya Kara, Emaan Tariq, Olivia Topping-McVey, Ava Mosley, Almedina Bacic, Slman Farhat, Lanah Hegarty, McKenzie Jackson, Kieran Lewis, Ellie-Mai O'Neil, Liam Walmsley, Connor Hart, Jack Spendlove, Hadassa Hosszu, Amy Walmsley.



# Session Zero Superstars

## Well Done!

The following pupils have been recognised by their form tutors as making positive contributions during session zero:

8A- Kieran L

8B- Saamya T

8C- Arshia IM

8D- Sophie W

8E- Lilly R

8F- Amina P

8G- Lenah H

8H- Sofia Z

Enjoy your Easter Eggs.



# Remote learning winners

## Well Done!

The pupils below were drawn from a hat of all the pupils in year 8 who had shown exemplary dedication to their studies during lockdown, they all received an Easter egg.

Zabeda A 8F

Tahlil R 8H

Praise A F8G

Almedina B 8A

Maazin B 8A

Mckenzie J 8A

Rajj B 8E

Mya T 8C

Amy W 8G

Mason H 8D

# Achievement points

## Well Done!

The top 10 pupils with the highest Ap's have been given a Easter egg for their continuous effort both in and out of school. Well done to the following pupils:

Olivia TMV- 8F

Maariya K

Mariya B

Patrick S

Praise AF- 8G

Romaisa J

Zabeda A

Arwa W-8F

Emaan T- 8E

Ali R- 8F



# Spotlight on Subjects

We will shine a light on what your child can expect to be doing in the next half term

## In Drama

This half term pupils are looking at Frantic Assembly and the skills and techniques they use to explore storytelling. This style is a fusion between dance and drama with a focus on the narrative being presented in a physical form. Next half term we go on to look at the play 'Too Much Punch For Judy' by Mark Wheeler, this is a thematic verbatim play that explores the lives of two sisters and the consequences of drink driving.



## In PE

Mrs Park class- after Easter will be doing swimming. Please remember to bring a plastic bag to carry their wet towel and costume. They will also need their swimming cap for the sessions.



In Food Tech, can all pupils be aware that they will NOT need ingredients after Easter but we will be completing a baking module after May half term.



## In Dance

This half term pupils are looking at the aspect of commercial dance and where we see dance within the industry. They have been exploring industry professional repertoire and exploring their own ideas from their exploration of this style. Pupils have gone onto to produce some creative and imaginative pieces of choreography that fully explores the stylistic features of commercial dance.