

“ASK YOURSELF IF WHAT YOU'RE DOING TODAY IS GETTING YOU CLOSER TO WHERE YOU WANT TO BE TOMORROW”-UNKNOWN

# Year 9

Stay Strong -  
You Are Nearly There!

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Hello year 9, I hope that you are working hard and more importantly are all well and coping with these strange and difficult times.

Less talking from me in this “assembly” (for a change)!! In the following slides we have:

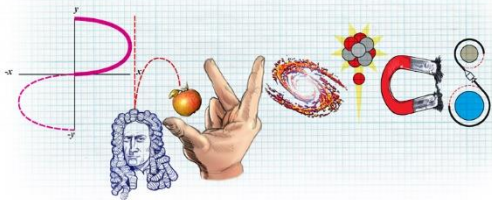


- messages from core subjects (English, maths and science) explaining what you need to be doing.
- Followed by messages from some of your form teachers who wanted to say a few words to you, just to catch up.

Hopefully see you all soon, in the meantime, stay safe.  
Mr Preece

# Science

**Physics google  
classroom code  
nl35t5v**



*Biology*  
is **LIFE**

**Biology google  
classroom code  
vxzs44l**

**Chemistry  
google  
classroom code  
357n3l3**



**I've said it numerous times, but this is the work for your GCSEs, so is extremely important. Make sure that you're in each classroom, and follow the instructions for the work set.**

**We will be checking who has done what work when we return to school and it will be a massive amount of work to catch up on.**

**Stay safe, work hard and get the rewards when we return.**

**Mr Preece**





# ENGLISH

English work for the week is posted every Monday morning on the Year Nine English Learning Base classroom. It is posted by Mrs Edwards Ginger, but is for **ALL** classes.

The code  
is: j7hxtfq

Week 4 ( May 11th): The theme is **ACHILLES**



Thinking	Oracy	Reading	Writing
<p>Achilles ( A – kill – ees) is a famous character from Greek mythology.</p> <p>Despite being thousands of years old, the stories from Greek mythology are still told today.</p> <p>Do you know any other characters or stories from Greek mythology?</p> 	<p>The term Achilles' heel means a person's weakness or vulnerability.</p> <p>You might say that chocolate is a person's Achilles' heel, or that a person's pride is their Achilles' heel.</p> <p>Have a discussion with the people in your house about this idea. What is your Achilles' heel? Does it cause problems?</p> 	<p>Read the information sheet about the story of Achilles and complete the worksheet.</p> <p>There is also a recording of me reading the information sheet aloud if you would like to listen and follow.</p> 	<p><b>200 Word Challenge:</b> Describe a food that you cannot resist. Use the phrase, 'It's my Achilles Heel' at some point.</p> <p><b>Because, So, But</b> Finish these three sentences:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Achilles died during the Trojan war because...</li><li>2. Achilles died during the Trojan war so...</li><li>3. Achilles died during the Trojan war, but...</li></ol> 

**Extension Ideas:** Percy Jackson and The Lightning Thief is the first book in a series by Rick O' Riordan which uses stories from Greek Mythology – a great read! You could also follow up with some extra research about other famous Greek myths and legends. The Oak Academy have produced a series of lessons based on Greek Mythology. You can have a look at them here:  
<https://www.thenational.academy/online-classroom/year-7/english#subjects>

- There will always be four tasks: Thinking, Oracy, Reading and Writing. You do not need to record the Thinking and Oracy.
- If you complete the work ahead of the deadline, there are also extension activities suggested on the PPT.
- You can complete the work on paper if you would prefer, but try and send photos in order to get feedback.
- If there are any probs, always let us know 😊

# Mathematics.

In year nine all learners are allocated to one of three google classrooms.

CLASSROOM	STRUCTURE
A	A PowerPoint is uploaded every Monday Morning comprising of four short sessions to be completed that week. There are links to the best virtual learning platform for each session along with practice exercises; the answers to which are at the end of the PowerPoint. Each week includes a Hegartymaths Session, this how your teacher monitors your progress.
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D	Powerpoints are uploaded daily for 4 days; these include teaching videos and questions for students. Answers are posted a few days after each lesson. At least one Hegarty task is set for every Monday, and students have the whole week to attempt these.

We set your child Hegartymaths tasks every week. We use this to judge their progress and engagement.

If you are stuck there are number of websites we recommend...



Aswell as completing tasks set, you can search for videos and do the tasks to practise.



Username: oakdale  
Password: octagon  
This site has virtual step by step lessons containing excellent explanations, questions and games



A free website that has lots of high quality videos and practice questions

You can get in contact with your maths teacher through Hegarty maths and the google classroom.

You can also email your teacher directly; If you send a picture of your answer, your teacher will explain your error.

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# 9CB

"What is the bravest thing you've ever said?" asked the boy.



"Help," said the horse.



These are really difficult times for us all and you are ALL doing so well – congratulations and thank you. I am so proud that I am your form tutor.

I am really enjoying speaking to you and your families each week – it genuinely makes me smile. Please continue to keep in touch and contact me via email or our form Google Classroom if you need any help or just a chat.

Do try and get outside and enjoy some exercise, be kind and stay safe. I miss you all.

I care and I'm always here to help !

Mrs Barrett



# Hello 9SC

I hope you're all safe and well. It's been good to talk to some of you over the last few weeks and no doubt I'll catch up with a few more of you soon.

It seems like a life time since I've seen you to nag about Literacy Legends and Numeracy Ninjas. I bet you're all missing doing them so much!

It's been good to hear that Evan is on the mend and even starting to do some work! Keep it up Evan. Oscar, what about you? Apparently moles are now an endangered species in Manmoel !!

Apart from being busy with normal classes, All About Food is keeping me really busy. Lots of photo's of food are being sent and learners are taking part in the Bake Off competition. Well I say lots of learners, but none from you lot! Come on, don't let me down!

Make sure you are looking after yourselves and getting some fresh air (Socially distancing, obviously!) I'm trying to get out for a walk or run most days and signed up to Miles for Mind as looking after your mental health is really important during these times. I've done 80 miles so far in May. If these old legs can get some exercise I'm sure yours can.

Look after yourself please and I hope to see you soon!

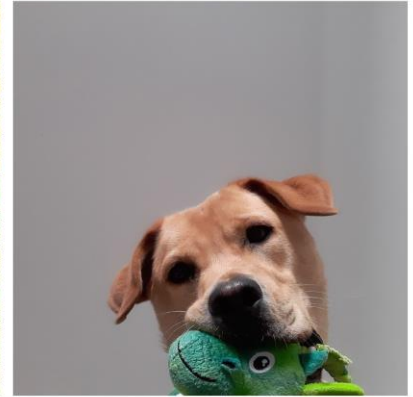
Mrs Crane



Hi 9JR,

I hope you are all safe and well. It has been lovely to speak to lots of you on the phone over the recent weeks. I am really proud of how you are all displaying such a mature attitude at this difficult time. I'm missing you all and I will hopefully see you soon.

Stay Safe,  
Miss Rivers



During this time it's important to make time for yourself, as well as your studies. I find taking my dog, Norman for long walks helps my wellbeing.



# 9DD

I hope you're all finally into a healthy, daily routine which is making each day productive and worthwhile. Year 10 is just around the corner and the Summer holidays too. Don't just count each day, make each day count, without stressing too much about anything.

Don't stress.  
do your best.  
Forget the Rest!

QuotesBook.com

## Mixing things up



Sometimes it's difficult at home not having a teacher on standby to help or ask a question to, but bbc bitesize covers many topics that you may come across in your google classrooms which you may need help with. Bitesize has easy to watch videos and also practice questions you can look at, then check answers. Here is the link if you need it...

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/bitesize-daily-lessons-schedule/zdtwjhv>



We as teachers are still here for you everyday, don't be afraid to send a message or question, however big or small.....

Take care, happy half term 9DD  
Mrs Davies



# 9AH

I hope you and all your loved ones are well and are staying safe, remember you are living an important part of history so create some keepsakes, like family photos, news clippings and make them into a diary, scrap book, time capsule or do it online, and that way you can include the TikTok videos you've roped your family into being part of too!

I hope you're managing your school work okay, remember there is always someone from Islwyn happy to help you, stay in contact via our form  
Google Classroom code is gk7i5lz

Meet Jessica, I'm sure she'd recognise each of you by your voice after hearing you every morning!



Look after yourselves, see you soon.

Miss Henry

# 9SM



Hello 9SM,

Hope you are all well and looking after yourselves. It has been a very strange few months and a lot of things have changed.

It has been fun keeping in touch with you all on my fortnightly phone calls. I am looking forward to seeing you all again when we do return to school.

Stay safe and look after the ones that are closest to you.

See you all soon I hope Mr McNeil