

College News

Summer 2020



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Welcome to our Summer Newsletter. Our newsletter showcases the resilience of our FCC community - highlighting how our students have continued to adapt, learn and stay positive throughout the difficult and challenging last few months. I am proud of what we have all achieved and I hope you enjoy reading some of the highlights.

We will continue to follow government guidelines in relation to COVID-19, with student safety and well-being remaining our number one priority. As we come to the close of this term, we wish our students, parents/carers and staff a good summer break. We look forward to welcoming back our students after the holidays for a positive new academic year.

Best wishes - stay well.

Mark Anstiss, Headteacher

FCC Spreads Positivity!

A big thank you to all the students, parents/carers and staff who have taken part in our 'FCC Spreads Positivity' Campaign. We started the first week of lockdown, posting every week day to showcase some of the clever, kind, imaginative and creative activities everyone has been doing since having more time at home. More photos and info on the following pages!

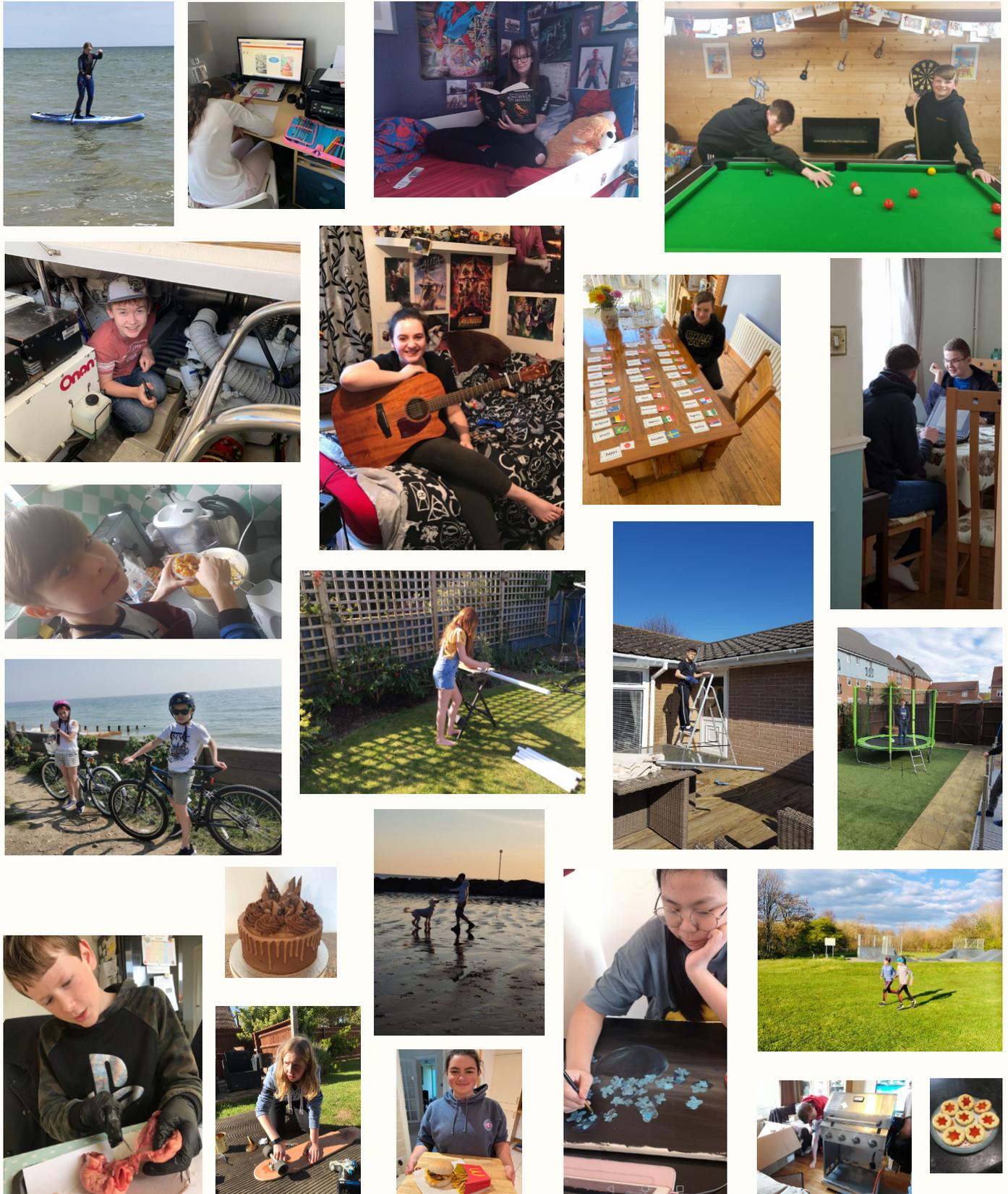


Help us spread FCC good news - join us on Facebook and share our posts!

Well done FCC - Staying Productive!

Following on from our front page, we have been sent hundreds of photos of how our brilliant students have been staying busy whilst being at home. As well as school work, we have seen a huge range of skills being developed and activities taking place. Exploring the local area, exercising and playing sports, arts and craft, DIY, taking part in online competitions, reading, cooking and baking, helping others in the community and families, musical fun, raising money for charity, VE day celebrations, enjoying the beach, gardening, looking after pets - the list is immense! Well done to all our students for everything they have achieved since FCC shut for the majority of students back in the middle of March.

Below is a small snapshot of some of the photos - please see our Facebook page for more!



Dates for your diary!

Please note due to COVID-19 these dates are provisional and the reporting schedule / evening parent meetings are TBC.

September

3rd INSET day 1
4th INSET day 2
7th Term starts for years 7 and 12
8th Term starts for years 8, 9, 10, 11 and 13
9th Year 7 and 9 photos
30th INSET day 3

October

15th 6th form quiz evening
16th Year 7 and 8 singing festival
26th - 30th Half term

November

20th 6th form taster day
w/c 30th Year 11 mock exams

December

w/c 7th Year 11 practical mock exams
3rd Christmas fayre
9th and 10th Christmas production
14th Year 7 and 8 disco
16th Carol concert
21st - 1st January Christmas holidays

January

4th Spring term starts for all year groups

Reduce Reuse Recycle

At FCC we know that school uniform is at the forefront of parents and students' minds as we prepare to return to school in September. Government guidelines state that uniform can be worn and we are expecting all students to wear our published uniform for all school and PE lessons.

In the current climate, we understand that it can be expensive to buy the full uniform every year. We would like to offer parents the opportunity to donate any unwanted uniform to FCC. We will then wash it and offer it to any families who are looking to find uniform before September.

Unwanted uniforms can be dropped off at the main reception on the following dates - Friday 19th July between 8.30am and 3.00pm. Thursday 20th and 27th August between 10.00am and 2.30pm. Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th September between 8.30am and 3.00pm. Parents will be able to browse and collect uniform pieces on Friday 4th September from 12.00pm - 3.00pm. Further details will be issued nearer the time.

We will be collecting all uniform from blazers and ties to PE shorts and rugby tops. Through donating your pre-loved uniform, you will not only be helping future students, but also helping to protect the environment.

One Day.....

To celebrate National Writing Day (24th June 2020), selected students across year groups were invited to take part in a challenge, hosted by 'First Story'. The challenge was to write a 24 word story beginning with 'One day...' and upload it on social media if they wished to.

The initiative was supported by authors and writers to engage children in writing, and an encouraging number of our students chose to take part. Well done to all the students who submitted a story, they were all great to read and were an excellent showcase of the imaginative and creative writing skills our students have.

Mrs Chick, English

For more information on First Choice please click [here](#)

To read the stories FCC students and staff submitted, please click [here](#)

Online Taster Courses

Applied Human Biology (BTEC)
Art (A-Level)
Biology (A-Level)
Business (A-Level)
Business (Cambridge Technical)
Chemistry (A-Level)
Computing (A-Level)
Economics (A-Level)
English Literature (A-Level)
English Language (A-Level)
French (A-Level)
Geography (A-Level)
Health and Social Care (Cambridge Technical)
History (A-Level)
Applied Law (BTEC)
Maths (A-Level)
Digital Media (Cambridge Technical)
Music (BTEC)
Performing Arts (BTEC)
Photography (A-Level)
Physics (A-Level)
Psychology (A-Level)
Spanish (A-Level)
Sport (Cambridge Technical)
Textiles (A-Level)
Three Dimensional Design (A-Level)

Taster sessions for Year 11

Launching at the beginning of May, we have run online taster courses for all the subjects and courses we offer in the sixth form. These have been available for year 11 students to access within their own time right through till the end of this term. A list of the sessions we have offered is shown opposite.

The main aim of the initiative is to give a taste of what it is like to study these subjects in the sixth form. Students have been encouraged to access as many tasters as they want, with no obligation to officially apply for the course. Teachers have been available to answer questions and students have been interacting with each other about the course content within Microsoft Teams.

It has been a good way to educate students on what sixth form courses are like and to help decisions for post summer results.

Mr Manning, Whole School ICT Co-ordinator

FCC Student Leadership

Firstly, we would like to give a big thank you to our Student Leadership Team 2019/2020 - Jasmine Petworth, Ed Reeder, Charlie Cogger, Izzy Saunders, Jak Smith and Dan Whitehouse - we wish them every success for the future. At the beginning of the summer term, year 12 students were invited to put themselves forward for the 2020/2021 Leadership Team. Candidates produced short presentations which were emailed to students and staff and everyone was encouraged to vote.

Congratulations and welcome to our 2020/2021 Student Leadership Team:

Madison Wood-Field - Head Student

I am so excited to be your new Head Student! Currently, I am studying biology, chemistry and psychology with the ambition of studying medicine next year at Uni. I hope everyone is well, and has been taking advantage of the lovely weather we have been having during lockdown, I myself have been on lots of walks. I am really looking forward to sharing student opinions with staff and the rest of the Leadership Team alike. I am hoping to include all of the younger years in the important decisions for the school, so I hope that you will feel comfortable approaching me! I can't wait to see what we can all achieve!

Jessica Bulpett-Caynes - Deputy Head Student

Hi! I'm studying English literature, English language and psychology. In my time in lockdown I have mastered how to make vanilla and cinnamon Smartie cookies which are amazing! Now I am trying to master gooey brownies! I'm excited to be a part of your Leadership Team because I want to help make the transition back to school as easy and inviting as possible after all of the craziness that has happened over the last few months. I also want to work with the Student Council and help make sure our student voice is heard. I hope you are all staying safe and having fun and I look forward to seeing you all when we are back.

Natasha Guest - Assistant Head Student i/c Charity

Hi! I applied to the Leadership Team to really try and make a change and to use my time to help others. I am also very excited to start planning events for the next year so that I can work with the school to spread some positivity and have fun doing it! Since lockdown I have been keeping myself busy practicing Spanish every day and learning some new recipes to cure the boredom. It's safe to say I'm looking forward to coming back!

Elliott Nash - Assistant Head Student i/c Community Action

Hello everyone, I am studying computer science, IT and Spanish. I chose to apply for the Leadership Team to try and foster the feeling of community around the school and in the local area. I am looking forward to getting started when we are back in school.

Falon Corley Black - Assistant Head Student i/c Youth Action

Hi! I am currently studying Spanish, law and business and I chose to apply for the Leadership Team in order to provide new and exciting opportunities to the whole of the student body. I think the role that I have obtained, youth action, allows me to fulfil this idea and I hope that I will be able to ensure that everyone has access to these potential possibilities. During lockdown, like most of you, my time has been taken up with a lot of sleeping, eating, schoolwork and now online lessons. I would just like to finish off by saying thank you for voting for me.

Courtney Rogers - Assistant Head Student i/c Rights Respecting Schools Award

Hello! I applied to the Student Leadership Team because throughout my time at Felpham, I've enjoyed helping with different events and the school community. I'm looking forward to try and make the school more accepting and welcoming. Besides watching too much TV, I've learned how to make earrings and sew during lockdown!



From the top - Madie, Jessica, Natasha, Elliott, Falon and Courtney

Student Information

It is vital that we keep student information up to date and correct. If you change your contact details / address / email please let us know.

Please contact the data office at data@felpham.org.uk or click **here**

Say goodbye to single use water bottles!

Purchase a FCC water bottle when we are back in school (a variety of coloured tops available) from the library at a bargain price of £1.50.

Help stop single use plastic and fund raise for FCC!



School life since March

My name is Emily and I am in year 7, my mum works for Tesco so I have been coming to school through all of lockdown.

I wasn't nervous about coming back into school, I just knew school wasn't going to be the same. It has felt strange only having a few children in school each day as we are used to crowded hallways and having all our friends around us. We also haven't had our usual teachers but I soon got used to this. We have been doing activities like football, rounders, going for walks and art and craft activities as well as our school work. In half term we went down the beach and had a water fight which was great fun. It has been nice working with different students and staff.

The best thing about coming into school has been making new friends from different year groups and my highlight was when we were given free ice cream from Pink's ice cream parlour and Easter eggs from Tesco. Very yummy!!!

I miss my friends and normal school life though and although it has been good, I can't wait for us all to be back together again soon.

Emily Hynan, Year 7 Student

Free School Meals

We are aware that fewer students are currently registered for free school meals than has been the case in previous years. We wish to ensure that all families with such entitlement have the opportunity to apply to be included in the scheme.

There are two reasons why it is important that families entitled to this benefit register their claim:-

- Students receive a daily allowance, currently £2.35, which enables them to purchase a healthy two-course hot lunch or other food. It also entitles them to free milk. Furthermore, our cashless catering system does not differentiate between a student who pays for their meals and a student on free school meals.
- All schools receive additional funding from the government based on the number of students who are entitled and have claimed free school meals. Just registering your child for free school meals means that the school gets this extra money!

As I am sure you will appreciate, any additional funding for schools is always needed to help the school provide a full and enriched education for all of its students.

You can register your child for free school meals if you receive any of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400.
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190.
- Working Tax Credit 'run-on' - the payment someone may receive for a further four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance.
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance.
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit.

Please click [here](#) for the WSCC free school meals application form

Amazing creations from Food Tech Students



It is hard to believe that we are almost at the end of the academic year and over a term of this year has been remote learning at home during the lockdown, a new experience for all. Students across each year group have been embracing the work set and producing some fantastic dishes and sending us images of their creations.

In year 7 students have been looking at the science behind food and completed an investigation into why foods turn brown - a process known as Enzymic Browning. They completed several mini investigations using different solutions and equipment to prevent apples from browning, and used their results to see if it agreed with their initial prediction of what might happen. After the investigation they had the opportunity to create a swan from an apple, we had some very impressive results.

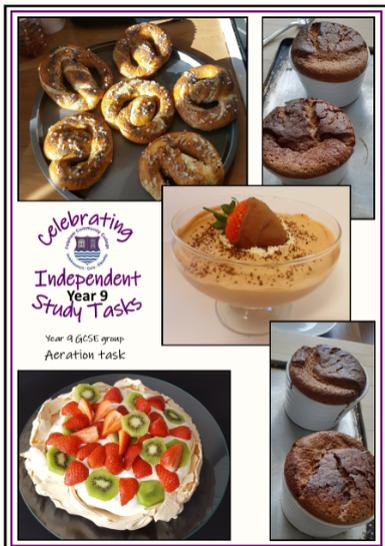
Year 8 students began by completing their Master Chef practical, creating a two dish meal. The products produced were of a very high standard. In addition, year 8 did some research into food waste and made dishes using leftovers at home, again we had a huge array of meals made, well done year 8.

Year 9 students who have opted to study Food Preparation and Nutrition for their GCSEs have begun by completing some quite challenging technical tasks. The first of which was to either joint a whole chicken and prepare a variety of dishes with the different pieces of chicken or make some homemade pasta. The results and dishes produced were excellent, I have been so impressed. More recently they have been looking at Aeration and how it is incorporated into food preparation.

Finally, our year 10 students have been continuing their studies and working exceptionally hard with their theory, always a hard task to do remotely. Along with this we have looked at presentation skills, food waste, sustainability and local produce, and recently British and International cuisine. I'm so proud of the food they have produced and the effort they are all making with work, well done to all. We have finished off the year with a science investigation into starch, ready for their assessment in the autumn of year 11.

A big thanks goes to parents/carers for supporting their children and encouraging them to prepare food at home, I'm sure you will agree the students have produced some very skilled dishes whilst learning at home.

Mrs Wise, Food Preparation and Nutrition



What was happening at FCC throughout lockdown?

On Friday 20th March, FCC shut for the vast majority of students. It has however remained open, including over the Easter and May half term holidays, for a small cohort of students. Some have attended for odd days and some on a regular basis. Students have spent their time taking part in wide range of activities as well as doing the school work they have been set remotely by their usual class teachers. They have had the opportunity to try different things and make friends across year groups, supported by FCC staff each day. It has definitely been a unique experience for everyone involved and we hope students look back with happy memories of this strange time when so few students were allowed to attend school.

Below is a snapshot of some of the activities they have been involved with. More available on our Facebook page!



Charity Week - £3700!

We held our annual charity week back in February, where we hosted a week of activities to fundraise for 3 charities. These charities were chosen by our students and staff - this year Winston's Wish, The Brain Tumour Charity and St Wilfrid's Hospice. More information on each of these charities is available through the links below.

Unfortunately one of the main events did not run this year, the sponsored dog walk, firstly being postponed due to bad weather and then being cancelled due to COVID-19. However we still managed to raise a substantial amount of money! We have now posted the cheques to the charities and are proud to say that we raised just under £3700. This was split evenly between the 3 charities. A massive thank you and well done to all the students, parents/carers and staff who helped raise this fantastic amount. We are planning on charity week being bigger and better next year!

Winston's Wish
The Brain Tumour Charity
St Wilfrid's Hospice



Above - One of the many brilliant 'Felpham's Got Talent' acts. 'Felpham's Got Talent' is one of the main events within charity week, where students across year groups perform to their peers and families.

FCC Choir

On Friday 19th June, the FCC choir joined thousands of young voices across the country and tuned into an annual 'Virtual Big Sing' hosted by Norfolk Music Hub.

Led by one of the UK's most sought after choir directors, Mark De-Lisser, the students were treated to performances from some famous voices including Danny from McFly, Nicola Roberts from Girls Aloud and Jessie J. We sang along to some classic tunes, and enjoyed cheesy dance moves too!

Please contact Mrs Deal at jdeal@felpham.org.uk if you would like to join in the FCC choir, and watch this space for more from us soon!

Mrs Deal, Curriculum Leader Music



Above - Some of the FCC choir online

Year 6 Transition

Usually in the summer term each year FCC hosts a number of events for younger students including our year 5 Magic Days and transition for year 6 - Welcome days, Transition day and New Intake evening. This year we have had to organise things differently.

All year 6 students and parents were sent a Welcome Pack back in May, detailing everything about FCC and what to expect when they start in September. Form Tutors then phoned their form groups at the end of June / beginning of July, to introduce themselves and answer any questions. We also created a virtual assembly, led by Mrs Reeves who will be the Year 7 Leader in September, giving a virtual tour using the school map and pictures, and introducing key staff. Some of our current year 7 have written to the new intake giving a student's perspective on starting at FCC. We have also changed the way we collect information this year for our new year 7s and all the contact details / medical consent / permission forms have been done electronically. If you are a parent/carer and have a student joining us in September, we would be grateful for your response as soon as possible, so that we can get all the information on the school system ready for the new term.

As in previous years, our new students (along with year 12) will start in September a day earlier than other year groups, so that they have a chance to familiarise themselves with the campus and meet their form group, and all year 6 students have been asked to complete an identity project on themselves ready to share with their Form Tutor at the beginning of term. We will also have our year 9 Peer Mentors on hand to support students.

If you know of anyone joining us after the Summer, please take the time to tell them about Felpham and answer any questions they may have. We are looking forward to welcoming them to FCC.

Mr Whiffin, Deputy Headteacher

So how have our staff been keeping busy?

We have showcased some of the brilliant things students have been doing over the last few months - we can't leave our staff out!



If you journey to the Antarctic, you can visit Joyce Lake, Joyce Glacier and Joyce Mount - the prominent, dome shaped mountain. Each of these landmarks is named after the Felpham born, arctic explorer, Ernest Joyce, who took part in expeditions with both Scott and Shackleton (Joyce was awarded both an Albert Medal and the Polar Medal with four bars for his heroic actions during expeditions).

The removal of the old huts has allowed us to build a new playground and, in the spirit of adventure, the planning group have decided to name it the Ernest Joyce playground.

The planning group consists of fourteen students from years 6 to 13, four staff and three volunteers from the university. We have used our Tesco's 'Bags of Help' funding for two wooden shelters and a new planter and now plan to install murals, puzzles and games to ensure that this new space allows our school community to meet, relax and socialise whilst working towards our own adventures in life.

We will be fundraising again from September to pay for more shelters and equipment. We would like to thank Camilla and Matthew at Hope Plants for their kind donations, which can be seen across with two of our planning committee after planting them up during lockdown!

Ms M L Kelly, Deputy Headteacher

New playground marks new adventures for FCC



The new playground area with Adam Francis (year 8) and Alfie Francis (year 10), who helped with the planter

Junior Maths Challenge

Well done to the 45 year 7 and 8 students who took part in the UK Junior Maths Challenge on the 1st July. This year competitors completed the challenge online at home instead of at school. Results to follow!

The UK Maths Challenge is run through UKMT UK Mathematics Trust). More details available [here](#)

Lockdown 2020 - A Student's Perspective

Lockdown started on March 23rd March 2020. We were told the last day of school was Friday 20th March, it was exciting, we were starting the Easter holidays early. That was over 3 months ago and we still have not gone back to school.

It has been hard working at home, the Wifi has been rubbish and I haven't been able to watch some of the videos for work set. When I email the teachers they are always helpful and give me advice on what I'm stuck on. In the beginning I chose to just do the subjects that I was going to be taking next year, but now we have been given work for our option subjects as well. My favourite subject has been my history work because it is nothing too difficult or boring, it is lots of quizzes which I enjoy. I don't start my work as early as the school day, I lay in until about 10am.

The thing I miss most about school is my friends and outside of school is meeting up with them whenever we want. When we were told we could meet up with 1 friend it was brilliant. Now we can meet up with more and we have all been out riding our bikes in the woods and having a football kick about.

I have kept myself busy with running and taking my dog for a walk. At home we have played games and because we have had good weather, we have been able to go out with the dog and do some nice walks, but to start with we had to stay in our own town and not go to the normal places we would usually go to. We have had lots of BBQs. As a dare with friends we all shaved our hair off.

I have missed my nan and grandad, we still can't go in the house to see them, it is weird and I can't wait for it all to be normal again. My mum and stepdad's wedding was cancelled which was sad for them.

It has been strange being at home for so long and I am now looking forward to going back to school and my old routine.

Year 9 Student

Year 12 Teams

Last term, student feedback highlighted that students missed teacher interaction. Since the beginning of June, year 12 students have been able to access at least 1 online interactive lesson per subject per week via Microsoft Teams. Some subjects started this before half term, as well as a number of subjects posting online video tutorials.

This timetable of online 'live' lessons has given students the opportunity to raise any concerns / ask questions, see demonstrations from the teacher and interact with their class. We have also run a number of practical lessons for practical subjects for year 12 students in school, in a controlled and safe environment.

Student feedback has been positive and we feel that both initiatives have been a success with supporting our year 12 students.

Mr Manning, Whole School ICT Co-ordinator

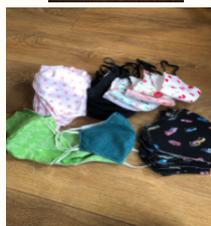
Well done and thank you!

A big thank you to Terri Colgate, whose son is an ex-student of FCC, who has kindly donated 80 face masks to the school for us to give out to 40 of our vulnerable students who are coming in to school and having to use public transport. Each student gets a pack of 2 masks, one patterned, one plain, so that they have one to wear while the other is in the wash.

Whilst our staff have had more time at home, a number of them have been supporting our local communities and charities by making various items required by so many at this difficult time. Mr Connor has been making face shields, Mrs McEwan and Mrs Cooke face masks, Mrs Woodman ear savers for face masks, Mrs Arnold scrubs and scrub bags, Mrs Wise and Mrs Sothcott scrub hats and Ms Wyatt scrub bags, head bands, face masks and hats. If any students or parents/carers have been making items, well done and thank you!

We also know that students, parents/carers and staff have been helping their local communities by running errands / shopping etc for people who have needed it. For example, Sydnee Farney-Wood in year 10 supported her neighbours by delivering shopping and spending time with them to prevent loneliness, and Mr Darbyshire was shopping for four elderly neighbours and delivering food parcels from his local church to vulnerable families. These are just 2 examples of some of the kindness our students and staff have been doing over the last months. Finally, our science department donated a number of school safety spectacles to a local NHS provider.

A massive well done and thank you to everyone!



P Point-tastic!

Well done to all our students who have continued learning these last few months, and to all the students who have been awarded P points for their efforts. Particular mention goes to the following students who end the academic year with the highest number of praise points for their year group:

Year 7 Rebecca Holland 7C, Samuel Shelton 7P, Hattie Middleton 7C

Year 8 Adam Francis 8M, Imogen Orde 8M, Daisy Evans 8M

Year 9 Ellie-Mae Wood 9L, Lily Enticknap 9L, Emma Barrasford 9E

Year 10 Jessica Hoare 10H, Ollie Denman 10M, Kimberley Harman 10H

Year 11 Abigail Merriott 11F, Shannon Jenner 11C, Ellen Kempson 11H

Year 12 Jessica Bulpett-Caynes GT, Charlotte Atkins CMC, Madison Wood-Field JRS

Year 13 Isabella Saunders CMC, Edward Reeder GT, Charlotte Cogger GT

Lockdown 2020 - A Teacher's Perspective



Mrs Elkins and Mrs Peterson getting ready for a day of 1-2-1 chats with year 9 students

Teaching since the 20th March has been very different to how we do it normally. I am very fortunate working in the maths department. Thanks to a great team, led by Miss Arnold, we put together a lot of resources very quickly that our students could use. We regularly use websites like mathswatch and methodmaths in class and for homeworks, so the students were already familiar with these. The vast majority of my students have been completing the tasks – this is not a surprise to me as my classes were hard working when we were in school. I have just started running online sessions for my A level class – this is also very strange, particularly as they don't like talking back!

It has been a quick learning curve on using Microsoft Teams and I am sure that I will continue to use this once we are back in school as it is a great way to set work and communicate with students. I have found marking work different compared to marking exercise books. I haven't worked out how to do a 'tick' so am using emojis instead - some of my students say that they prefer this!

As a year leader it is difficult to do your normal job, as so much of it involves seeing students. During lockdown Mrs Peterson (Year 9 Manager) and I have been staying in touch with lots of students in our year group via email and phone but in recent weeks we have also been able to invite them in for 1-2-1 chats with us. This has been lovely as we have got to talk about how they have been during lockdown and how they feel about coming back to school in September. It is also nice to have the time to get to know the students better.

It has been very strange to be a teacher when you don't have much interaction with students. The young people we work with really are the best part of the job. I really miss all the students, particularly those I teach and the whole of year 9. I am looking forward to seeing them all again once it is safe to do so and going back to teaching in a classroom!

Mrs Elkins, Year 9 Leader

FCC Staffing

We would like to take this opportunity to say farewell to the staff leaving us at the end of this term. We wish Mr Phillips (Assistant Head), Miss Billingham (PE), Mr Green (science), Ms Karpowicz (maths) and Mrs Bean (TA) all the best for the future.

Congratulations to Mr Whiffin, who from September will be Deputy Head, alongside Ms Kelly. Also joining our Senior Leadership Team as Assistant Heads are Mrs Bloomfield and Mr Summers.

We also welcome Ms Corin (Art and Photography), Miss Fuller (geography), Mr Gingell (maths), Miss Hodnett (English), Miss Smith (English) and Miss White (science).

Finally, we would like to congratulate Ms Tetra who had a baby boy at the beginning of lockdown.

Thank you to Hope Plants!

FCC would like to give a big thank you to Hope Plants, a new local company based in Felpham, who kindly donated some amazing plants for our campus.

They will be planted in the various planters and garden areas around the school as we strive to create nice outdoor spaces for our students and staff's wellbeing.

Hope Plants started in April 2020, delivering plants to the local area. More information on the company can be found [here](#)

The Scribbler 2020

Every year, our students produce excellent original and creative pieces in their English lessons. A tradition of our school, is that the best pieces from the academic year are selected by the English department to be celebrated and showcased in an anthology of work entitled The Scribbler. Highlights from The Scribbler are performed at Summer Arts Evening and parents and carers of the school are able to purchase copies of this amazing work.

Unfortunately this year, the Summer Arts Evening did not run so students were not able to perform their work. However, do not despair! We are proud to announce that The Scribbler is once again back and filled as ever with amazing pieces of work from our talented students here at FCC. Everyone can enjoy every page of this great work over the summer, available through the following link or on our website.

Well done to all the students who are featured in the 2020 edition.

The English Department

Link to The Scribbler 2020 [here](#)

The new *EAL / geography garden

We have been working hard to develop our new garden space. We have managed to clear the area, and local business 'Hope Plants' donated some beautiful flowers and shrubs. Sadly, it is too late for vegetables this year, however we are growing a pumpkin which hopefully can decorate our garden for Halloween.

Mrs Poole (who used to work for FCC) donated bee friendly flowers and a range of herbs. Students are working on projects for the garden at home and we are looking forward to seeing some sculptures, bee hotels and bird houses soon. The plan is for it all to be ready for the new academic year. There will be geographical features within it, so we can learn there on mini field trips!

The idea of the garden was that we designed and made it to improve the area and as an educational resource without spending any money. We relied on donations and up-cycling, for example making planters out of pallets and old tyres. I have been very busy this summer term cutting and drilling! We are using leftover paints to give the planters a bit of colour and design and students have been helping throughout the whole process. The photos below show work being done up to the beginning of July - we will show the finished garden in the next newsletter as it is still work in progress. We are proud of what we have achieved so far!

Mrs Purcell, *EAL and Geography
*EAL - English as an Additional Language



As you write ityour play on stage

Please see the below link for details of a competition from the BBC, open to ages 7-16.

You need to submit a theme, the first few lines and 4 characters of a play. The prize is the opportunity to work with a writer to create your play which will then be performed in the new Shakespeare North Playhouse opening in 2022.

For more information please click [here](#). We hope some of you choose to enter - good luck!

Ms Coney, Curriculum Leader Drama

We would like to give a big thank you to Pinks Ice Cream Parlour in Bognor, who donated ice creams on more than one occasion to the FCC students and staff who were in school back at the beginning of lockdown. They were thoroughly enjoyed by all!

Also, a thank you to Bognor Tesco who donated Easter Eggs to the students who were in school in the run up to the Easter weekend. Again, delicious and enjoyed!

Virtual Sussex School Games 2020

FCC has been heavily involved with the Specsavers 'virtual' Sussex school games 2020. This initiative has allowed students from across Sussex to engage with a number of sporting challenges, representing their school alongside their friends and classmates.

There has been some exceptional results in some of the challenges with Felpham, for example we came 1st in the football, 2nd in boccia and cricket/stoolball and 3rd place in the rugby challenge. Currently (as at 6th July), Felpham holds 5th place which is a fantastic achievement from all those involved in the challenges. All results and more detail on the competition can be accessed online, available [here](#). Well done to all students who have taken part.

Ms Hudson, Assistant Curriculum Leader PE



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