

# NEWSLETTER

#### **Headteacher Message**

This week we had our first positive pupil case of Covid-19 and I am pleased to report that action was quickly taken to minimise risk to everyone on site as soon as we received the call. I would like to reassure all parents that we have a robust system for identifying pupils who need to self isolate - in this case pupils were identified on Class Charts seating plans and were sent home with both hard copies of work and online learning via Google Classroom. We also sent home pupils who had been identified as mixing socially at break and lunch. I am confident that ou school environment is as safe as it can be, with masks enforced in all communa areas and year groups not allowed to mix. Pupils are washing their hands upon entering the building and their classrooms every time they move around.

Head of School

After half term we will be moving the pupil 'bubbles' around to different corridors to allow pupils to access practical work in different parts of the school. This means that pupil entrances will change on November 2<sup>nd</sup> – we will communicate the new entrance that your child needs to arrive at after half term next week.



**Executive Headteacher** 

### Parents we need you!

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Do you work in a trade or run your own business? Would you be prepared to run a virtual Q&A session for our pupils or be prepared to record a short video presentation?

If so please contact office@deantrustrosebridge.co.uk

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### **Employee of the week**



This week our EOTW is Mrs Ashurst. She has gone above and beyond to support her Year group this week and has proved herself to be a calming presence in challenging situations. Well done Mrs Ashurst!

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#### Literacy

Word of the Week: Opulence noun Great wealth or luxuriousness.

Challenge 1: Can you think of any examples of plays or novels where there is a theme of 'opulence'?

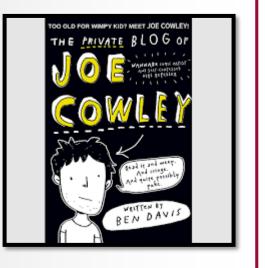
Challenge 2: Can you think of any synonyms of the word 'opulence'?



### **Book of the week**

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This week's book is a good choice for pupils who have enjoyed the very popular 'Diary of a Wimpy Kid' series. It's called, 'The Private Blog of Joe Cowley' by Ben Davis and it charts the life of the hero, who describes himself as 'a wannabe comic artist and self-confessed girl-repeller'. Like 'The Diary of a Wimpy Kid', it's full of funny sketches and hilarious incidents, but this time the main character is a high school pupil, rather than someone in Primary, so it is more relevant for our Y7 – 9s, who I'm sure will recognise many of the situations in which Joe Cowley finds himself.



### **Dictionary Day**

At DTRB, we celebrate **Dictionary Day** every year in honor of Samuel Johnson, considered to be the founder of the English Dictionary. First published in 1755, the dictionary took just over eight years to compile, required six helpers and listed 40,000 words!

The objective of this **day** is to emphasise the importance of **dictionary** skills, and seeks to improve our pupils' vocabulary. This year to celebrate, our pupils will be competing against both their peers and teachers in a variety of fun activities! Watch this space next week for pictures and activities across school.

#### What can you do to celebrate Dictionary Day?

Play scrabble Play Balderdash Complete a crossword or create your own Complete a wordsearch Look up a new word and use it throughout the day Use our **Word of the Week** throughout the day Have a dictionary race with a member of your household!





KS3 Curriculum Intent - Performing at maximum levels

Pupils are learning to develop physical literacy through running, jumping and throwing based athletic events.

#### **KS3** lessons

Pupils across years 7-9 have been busy completing their athletics and fitness units of work this half term. Athletics lessons have been centred on running, jumping and throwing disciplines with some excellent individual performances along the way! Pupils have been able to develop their knowledge of technique across all events, and will take place in a mini sports day event in preparation for assessment week next week. Where additional fitness lessons have taken place, pupils have experienced the different ways training can be adapted to enhance athletic performance, through developing speed, strength and explosive power.



#### **KS4 Curriculum Intent: Sports Studies**

Pupils will explore a range of issues in sport, relating to participation barriers, the promotion of values and ethical behaviour through highprofile sporting events and national governing bodies.

#### **KS4 PE -Sports Studies**

All Y10 and Y11 pupils on the Sport pathway are currently preparing for their examination for unit R051 – Contemporary Issues in Sport. We are really pleased with the progress pupils are making within lessons, with high quality work and knowledge being demonstrated. The topics covered so far have fuelled some fantastic discussions on issues such as barriers to participation and different user groups within sport. This continued effort and engagement during lessons will really stand pupils in good stead for their January exam!





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#### **Parent Notice Board**

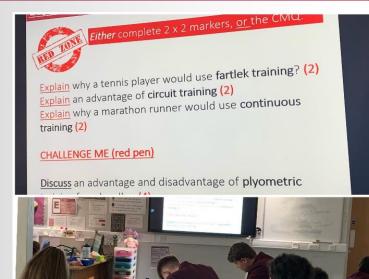
Please can we ask Parents and Carers are mindful of our neighbours when picking up and dropping off pupils particularly on Holt Street. We really appreciate your support.



#### KS4 Curriculum Intent: GCSE PE

**Fitness testing and training:** Pupils to know the relationship between health and fitness, and the role that exercise plays in both.

Our Y11 pupils have also been working really hard bringing themselves back up to speed with their course. They have been busy finishing off unit 1 content which looks at types of training. Pupils have demonstrated a really impressive attitude so far within lessons, especially when completing some red zone activities. During these parts of lessons, pupils work independently to complete more challenging tasks – such as end of topic tests and exam- style questions. Pupils will shortly be making initial preparations towards their NEA coursework and practical moderations.



Keep up to date with our KS4 courses – all class codes are below:		PH	PHYSICAL EDUCATION ENRICHMENT Oct-Dec 2020   Clubs will take place in year group bubbles for the time being:					
10/C Miss Warren	kdvotqk			MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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Mr Volante						/	Child Dev/	GCSE
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#### **Meet the Team**



Miss Reilly Head of PE



Mr Shepherd Teacher of PE/ Head of Y10



Miss Warren Teacher of PE



Mr Shepherd Teacher of PE/ Head of Y11

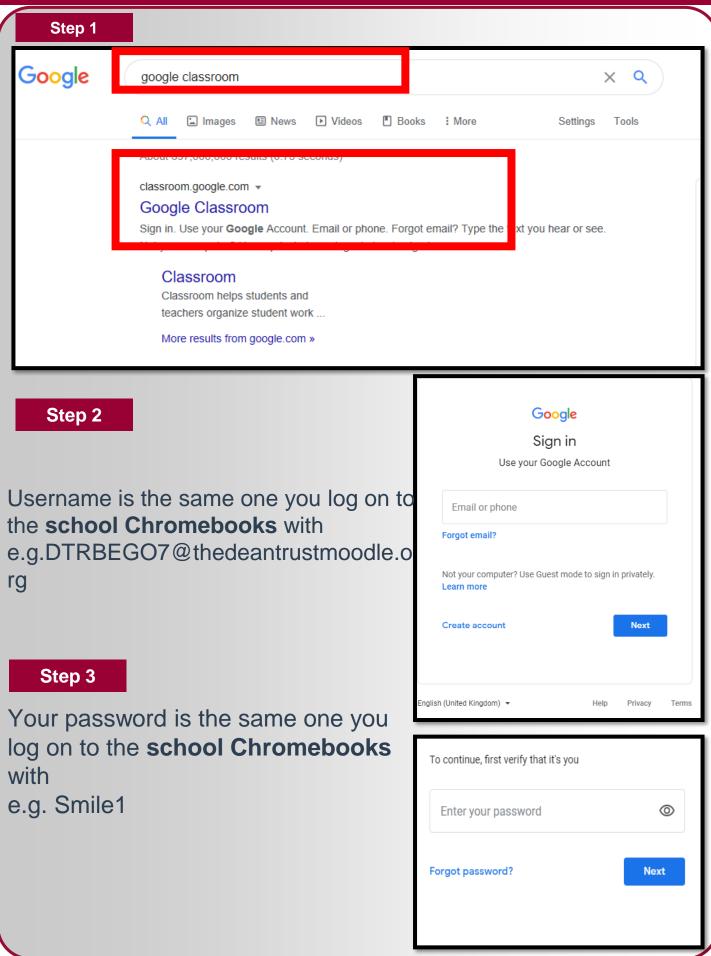


Miss Green Teacher of PE

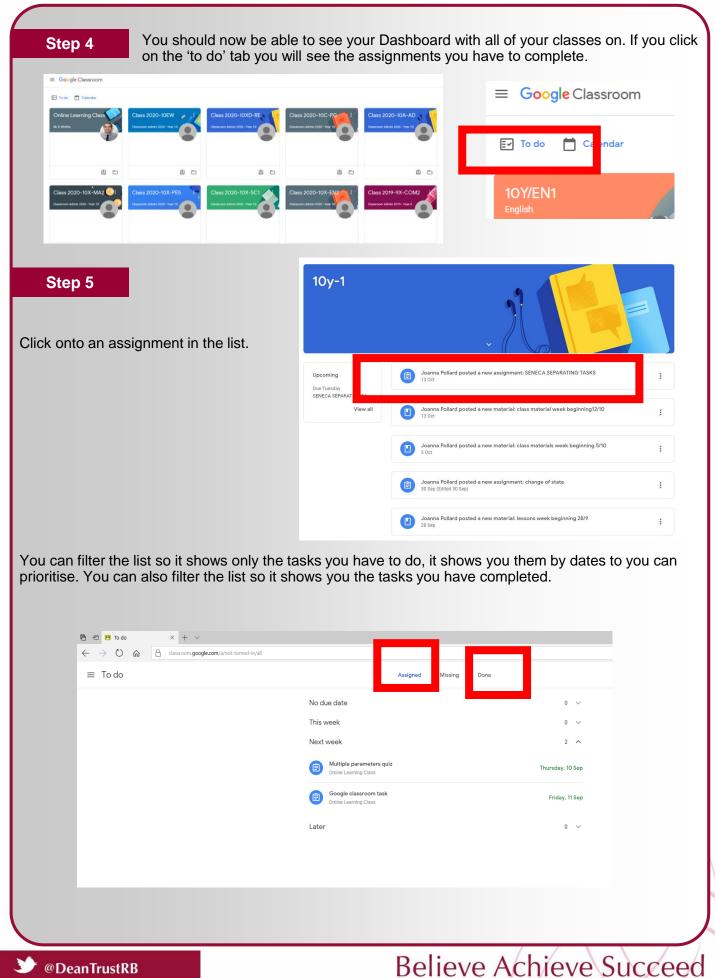


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### Logging on to Google Classroom

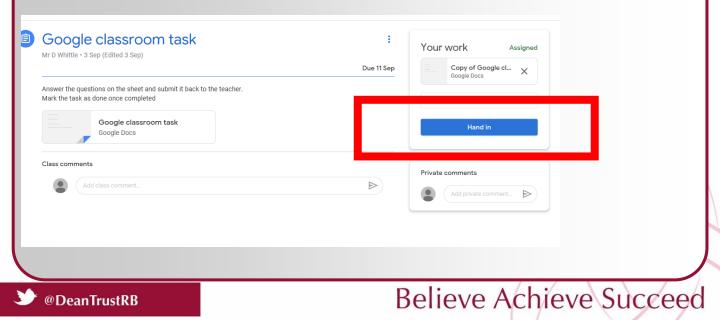


### Logging on to Google Drive



To add your work, click +add or create, then google drive, select the file you want to Step 6 send. 自 Google classroom task : Mr D Whittle • 3 Sep (Edited 3 Sep) + Add or create Due 11 Sep Answer the questions on the sheet and submit it back to the teacher. Mark the task as done once completed Θ Link U File Google classroom task Google Docs Create new Docs Class comments ٦ Slides Sheets  $\triangleright$ 4 Drawings 👃 Insert files using Google Drive 🔍 Search in Drive × Select the file and click insert. RECENT UPLOAD MY DRIVE STARRED ≔ Copy of Google cla... Untitled map • Google classroom.

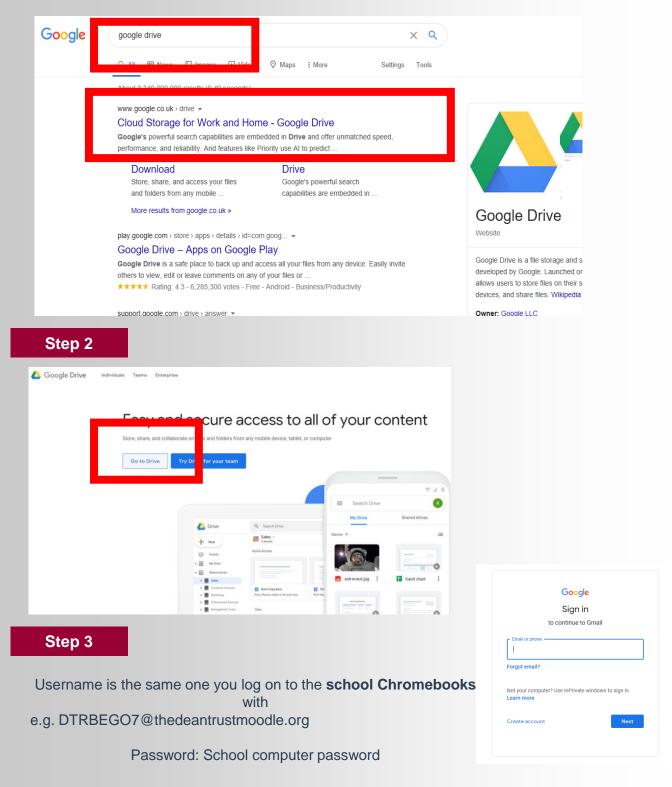
If you are happy that the task is complete – click 'Hand In'. Your teacher will now be able to see and mark your work before returning it to you.



### Logging on to Google Drive

#### Step 1

If you have signed into Google Classroom first and you cannot access or attach your work you may need to sign into Google Drive. The steps to do this are below.



- If you are working from an iPad, an iPhone or an Android tablet or Android mobile phone we recommend you download the apps: Google Classroom, Google Drive, Google Docs, Sheets and Slides as this will keep you signed in and will allow documents to open with the correct app for editing.
- If you are using a school provided Chromebook, once you are signed in you won't need to sign in to Google Classroom separately as you will already be signed in to your Moodle account to access the device.
- If you are using an iPad and iPhone we suggest you download Google Chrome browser instead of using Safari.

### **Teaching and Learning Highlights**

This week pupils have been using personalised formative assessment on Google Classroom. Staff have used 'Private Comments' and the 'Add Comment' functions to give pupils individual feedback on their Photography and Graphics work. Awarding marks using the GCSE marking scheme has been powerful and pupil's have understood how they can improve to gain more marks.

Our Year 11 Art pupils have begun their personal projects for their main Unit of coursework. All 55 pupils in Y11 are working on a chosen area of Art. Here is a stunning example from Abi Aspinall.





#### Fantasy Football in English!

In English this week, Mr Hayes' Year 9 class used oracy skills, as well as their tactical know-how of characters from Blood Brothers to create their own football team. They enjoyed focusing on language analysis in a cross-curricular environment where delegating roles for their peers was just as important as the starting XI

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### **Mental Health Awareness**

# Worried about how you're feeling?

**Check out:** youngminds.org.uk/find-help

For more advice and support you can visit:

https://www.mentalhealth.

org.uk/campaigns/mental-

health-awareness-week

Here you will find lots of

guidance and resources

you can download if you

or a loved one are

struggling.

### YOUNGMINDS



#SpeakYourMind and reach out to someone who needs a friend with a positive message, or share with them your own tips for coping to make sure they don't have to face this pandemic alone. Sharing our stories help others see that they're not alone in the challenges they're facing

### YoungMinds Crisis Messenger

Provides free, 24/7 text support for young people across the UK experiencing a mental health crisis.

All texts are answered by trained volunteers, with support from experienced clinical supervisors.

Texts are free from EE, O2, Vodafone, 3, Virgin Mobile, BT Mobile, GiffGaff, Tesco Mobile and Telecom Plus.

Texts can be anonymous, but if the volunteer believes you are at immediate risk of harm, they may share your details with people who can provide support.

Text: YM to 85258

Opening times: 24/7

#### **Are Your Details Correct?**

Do we have your correct details? It is very important, especially in the current situation that the school has your correct details such as phone numbers, email addresses and postal address. Please contact school with any updates.

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