

Bi-Weekly Bulletin

News Update for
Monday 23 March 2020

Message from the Headteacher

Good afternoon everyone,

As outlined on Friday, my aim is to communicate with you in a 'Special Edition' twice weekly Bulletin.

Today you will also have received a Safeguarding update from Mrs Marsden to ensure that, even in this time of School Closures, students and parent/carers feel supported and know where to turn if they have any questions.



Mr D Lees
Headteacher

I hope that all students have logged on today to Show My Homework and Seneca Learning, please refer to the information that I sent home on Friday if you have any questions.

There is also support around 'Mindfulness' for students on Show My Homework, which I know they will find useful. Please encourage them to engage with the work, set a clear structure for their day and liaise with their teachers via Show My Homework.

Finally from me, a reflection on our last day together; Friday was a strange, but truly special day as we said goodbye to our Year 11 cohort. They were, as always, truly magnificent in this time of uncertainty. Below is my final speech to them along with photographs from the day.

To the Class of 2020

Congratulations on all that you have achieved at SET Beccles School, it has been an amazing 884 day journey since you started together in 2015.

You have been the sixth year group at the school to go through to Year 11 and I am so proud of each and every one of you.

I know that inside each one of you lies something special, something unique. I feel privileged to have seen the start of this and I hope that you all go on to develop and discover your talents; to find your special place in the world. Then in the years to follow, you will look back at your time at Beccles School and be proud of all that you have learnt and achieved.

I would like to thank you and commend all of you for your positive attitude towards learning; your strong work ethic; and the resilience you have shown to stay the course. I would also like to thank those who have shared this time with you, your amazing teachers and all the staff, board members, and trustees, who have worked so hard to enable you to achieve so much. Finally and of course, most significantly, your parents and carers; to them you should be very grateful.

There are two things that I want to tell you.

- 1. The first is a piece of advice. You are where you are. You have worked hard and have taken all the advice you have been given. Don't stop believing in yourself or start to doubt your abilities. You can't change anything that happened yesterday. I'll say the thing I always tell you – "You can only change what happens next."*
- 2. The second thing is the simplest one. And it's this. However well you do, it won't change how proud everyone at Beccles School is of you. It won't change what we think of you. And it won't change you from being the wonderful person you are.*

Finally, please don't lose sight of our ethos in all that you do. See every day as 'providing a foundation for life', with this as your focus you will do well and I wish you every success.

Two of my favourite quotes to finish:

As Muhammed Ali once said "Champions aren't made in gyms. Champions are made from something they have deep inside them: A desire, a dream, a vision. They have to have last-minute stamina, they have to be a little faster, they have to have the skill and the will. But the will must be stronger than the skill."

Then from Stephen Grellet. "I shall pass through this world but once. Any good therefore that I can do or any kindness that I can show to any human being, let me do it now. Let me not defer or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again."

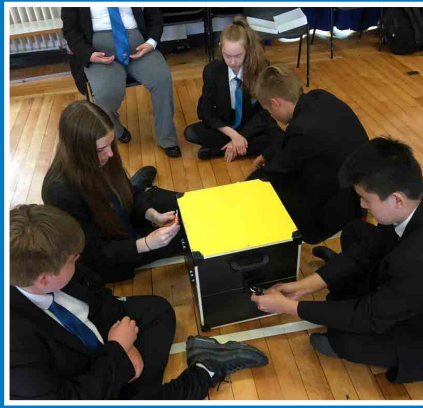
So smile, and go onto the next stage of your education with belief in what you have achieved and what you will go on to achieve.

Please stay well and stay safe.

Mr D Lees, Headteacher

The Class of 2020

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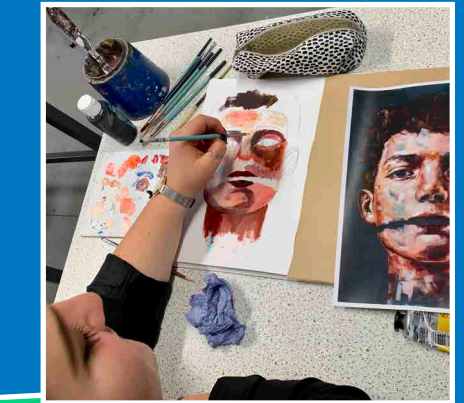
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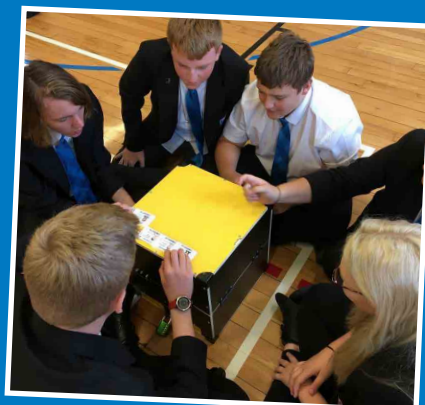
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