



Saint Benedict CVA Year 7

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Tutors in Lockdown!

Hello Year 7, we all hope you are all still well in these difficult times. The sun is now shining more than ever and that can really help with the positivity and creativity. As a result, this edition of the newsletter will look at some of the creative projects some of your form Tutors have been up to recently.

We hope that it may inspire some of you to get creative yourselves. If you have been creative, then please share this with your Form Tutors as we would love to see this!

Mrs Gash – Head of Year 7 (Best Job Ever!)

I have tried to be creative during lock down. I have been sewing the Star Wars figures. Currently I am working on Yoda to add to my collection.

My youngest daughter and I have been baking and creating lots of yummy treats. The Chocolate cake and the orange and gooseberry drizzle cake have been the best so far.

My time has also been spent starting a paint by numbers, though I have not gotten very far with it yet.

I hope that you are all keeping safe and that this newsletter can give you some creative ideas to keep you active until we can all meet again.

Take Care and God Bless x

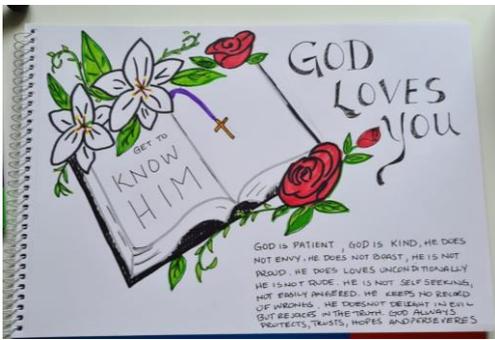


Maya Angelou

"You can't use up creativity. The more you use, the more you have."

Anthony J. D'Angelo

"Develop a passion for learning. If you do, you will never cease to grow."



What have the tutors been up to?

A quick look at the creative work some of your Tutors have been up to in lock down. The picture to the left is Jannice the Chaplain being creative.

Mrs Simpson

I took up knitting in lockdown. My granny tried desperately to teach me as a child, but I could never sit still long enough to learn. It's actually quite therapeutic and I've started to make a covid blanket which will be ready winter 2023! 😊



I have also been helping my boys with their DT project

on sustainable homes which was not as therapeutic! I remember why I hated PVA glue!

I've decided I'm not very creative and I'm better at baking, but we've had fun trying.



Miss Hagen – Form 7S

I moved into my new home just before lockdown. As it is a newbuild it is a blank canvas so I have been doing a lot of painting and have had a go at stencilling!



I have also done a couple of paint by numbers which have been really fun to do.

Our big (ongoing) project is our garden... when we moved in it was just broken dry ground and we were desperate for a nice garden! We have been digging out the bank by hand and filled a skip and 12 huge bags, it was very hard work but we finally got to lay our turf this weekend! Just need some pretty plants on the back and a patio in a couple of weeks.



Also... it's not creative but I HAVE to share a picture of our new boxer puppy Oscar! He comes home with us on Thursday and we are so excited!!



Miss you all so much, please send me pictures of your creative work too as I always enjoy seeing them.

Miss Hayre - Form 7I

Hi all! Missing you all- especially my form, 7I. To fill my time in between working from home I have been baking. At the start of lockdown I was on a mission to find and bake the best chocolate chip cookie ever- see the picture below for the end result. From that point on I have been baking cakes, scones and more cookies with my favourite being my lemon cheesecake with raspberry sauce- YUM.

My next challenge is to make cinnamon buns from scratch, now I have been able to get hold of some yeast! I hope you are all doing well and you have found something to do which allows you to be creative whilst being in lockdown.



Miss Hill - Form 7N

I have done a few paint by numbers since the lockdown started and I am now running out of room in my house to put them up so I have a pile just waiting for a home.



I have also decided to start cross stitching again. I had forgotten how long it takes to

complete one, but I am determined to finish it. I have Ariel complete (after over 50 hours of work), now I only have 5 other Disney Princesses to finish. Though I have started on Cinderella.



I also decided to send my friends some positivity packages to brighten up their day. I put in some funny post cards, inspirational quotes and pin badges...and of course some sweets!

Mrs King - Form 7T

So during lockdown I have been doing school work and also home schooling my 2 children. On Friday's, we do baking in the afternoon as an end of week treat. The



baking has been good fun but think we have all put

weight on! Some of the things we have made have been Pizzas, homemade Krispy Kremes, rice crispy cakes, flapjack, cupcakes, scones and other cakes too.



We made some afternoon tea packs to send to

our neighbours to cheer them up too. I hope you have all been able to do something creative since you have been off school. Take care everyone

Mrs Clewes- Form 7E



How have I Been creative? Well for me it's been lots of baking and gardening.

We have an old pond (with no fish in it) that we are in the process of filling. We've not finished so it's only a before photo.



It was my daughter's birthday at the end of May, so I made her a 'drip' cake and finally my son and I have been growing crystals!



Mr Long - Form 7D

I've been working on two projects during lockdown. The first is our garden. We've been at it since Easter 2019, cutting back trees, removing plants and laying stone.



We've also created a planting bed in one corner. We've

recently put in some lighting. Sadly, the lawn was in desperate need of a water when the pictures were taken.

The second project was replacing all the



furniture in my son's room as he turned 14 in June.

Mr Tomlinson - Form 7C



I have been out in the garden weeding and planting in my rockery and also putting in the

tiles me and my fiancé made into a mosaic. I been baking, in the picture you can see my first attempt at onion cake, a German recipe from a friend – his was nicer – I'll keep practising.



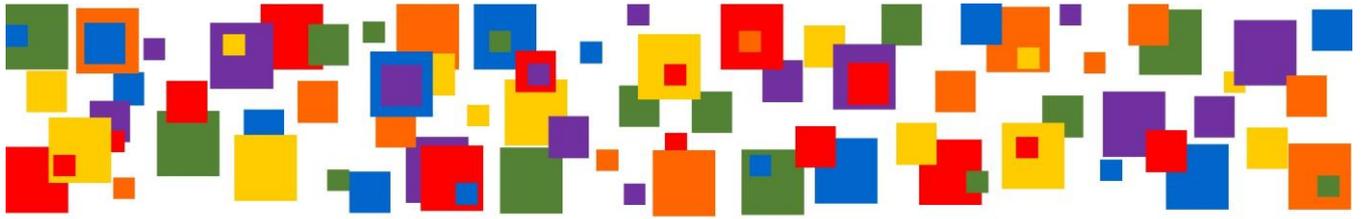
I have also been trying to channel my inner Picasso or Van Gogh and attempted some painting – with mixed results as you can see.



Miss Kureczko - Form 7O

Hi Year 7! Missing you all, but especially 7O! However, it has been lovely hearing your little voices over the phone and hearing what you have been up to. Lockdown presented many challenges - teaching my own children has been a definite learning curve. It has opened my eyes to how much you have to learn and understand! During lockdown, I set myself a challenge to improve on my running. I started running on the 9th April and a 5k took me 32:57 minutes. However, after increasing how often I ran and making sure I stuck to it on the 14th June I managed to reduced my time to 25:11 minutes! I looked like a tomato - but was so proud of that achievement!

Distance	3.27 mi	Avg Pace	7:42 /mi
Moving Time	25:11	Elevation Gain	34 ft
Max Elevation	395 ft		



Prayer of Saint Benedict

We pray, Lord, that everything we do may be prompted by your inspiration, so that every prayer and work of ours' may begin from you and be brought by you to completion.

Amen

Saint Benedict... Pray for us

