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More extra-curricular activities for you to try

As well as the formal school work being set, we continue to try and provide some extras, including those you could consider doing as a family. Here are three for this week.

• VE day commemoration

A reminder that our history department put together some suggested activities and these can be accessed here. VE day challenge

• 'Rock the Lockdown'

Our music department have put together **twenty musical ideas** that can be found here. 20 musical ideas You could also be part of **the BBC's lockdown orchestra** project with contributions due on Thursday (14th May) The details are here: BBC Lockdown Orchestra

 A reminder that whole families can join Mrs Browning's beginners virtual Japanese Community Classes by emailing mgbrowning@burytrust.org

As always, we would love you to share your contributions with us.

Thank you

On Tuesday it was the anniversary of **Europe Day**. This day, not connected to the EU, was founded in 1949 by the Council of Europe to celebrate peace and unity across the whole of Europe. Thank you to all the tutor groups, staff groups, individuals and families who contributed and we will produce a 'feature video' and include some of the highlights in the May edition of 'The Accolade'.

Healthwatch Suffolk

Healthwatch Suffolk are collecting anonymous data to help them respond to young people and families during and after the coronavirus pandemic. If you would like to complete their questionnaire(s), you can access them here.

Survey for **students**: **Students**

Survey for parents: Parents/carers

Survey for **school/college staff**: **sch/college staff**

Year Group News

Years Nine and Ten

- As part of the work being set in science, some simple practicals are being included to add some variety and aid explanation. The sort of experiments that students could be encouraged do at home, involve:
 - handling scissors
 - handling glue
 - handling water
 - lifting weights (e.g. a tin of baked beans)
 - climbing stairs
 - making paper airplanes

We are making parents aware as there may be younger children in your house and/or you might not want your child handling scissors, for example. None of the experiments are compulsory and no student will be penalised if they do not complete them.



















Students are reminded that they can download their year group's assembly on or after 9am on Tuesdays (year 10) and on or after 9am on Fridays (year 9).

Year Eleven

- Students who have a place on a vocational course at West Suffolk College can now access some work on their website. Simply click on the link below and it will take you to the area you hope to be studying. WSC Summer Work
- Students completing their preparatory work for **our sixth form** and for **Oxbridge entrance** are doing so very impressively and we are confident this will give you a very smooth transition into next year, whatever restrictions may still be in place.

Sixth Form

- Year twelve students will continue to receive their work and support via the Google Classrooms and their assembly on or after Wednesday mornings.
- Year thirteen students may now have received reading lists form their chosen universities. Your subject teachers will be only too pleased to discuss any aspects of these with you. In addition to the Gresham's link circulated earlier this term, we will be sending some further suggestions for you next week.

Support

A reminder that our countyupper@burytrust.org account is being monitored from 7am to 10pm, seven days a week. All the other addresses we have sent you for support are listed on our website and could be found by clicking on the COVID-19 link at the bottom of the home page (COVID-19) School remains open for the children of key workers and vulnerable children and IT support can be obtained by emailing iprice@burytrust.org.



HELPLINE

We are opening a helpline two days a week during this period.

Please contact us **07477 936152**

Monday 10:00am – 4:00pm Thursday 10:00am – 4:00pm



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And finally.....

Tomorrow is a **Bank Holiday** so students should not be doing school work. We hope that you are able to enjoy something of the long weekend.