

# The Birley Academy Year 8 Weekly Student Bulletin

Hi Year 8 Students, Parents and Carers

## What have I been doing during lockdown?

Hi Y8! Hope you are all well! Miss you all, especially my amazing form class! I have loved receiving the email responses from you and your parents, it's great to see all the good work you have been doing! Please keep sending it in.

Having one of those days when you just feel like you haven't achieved anything? I found that writing a list of the things I wanted to do at the beginning of lock down has really helped me stay focused. I also feel like I have been achieving goals which makes me feel really good. I also write a list every day of things I want to achieve. Try it, it may make you feel better and help you become more productive.

For so long I have been wanting to make videos of my most recent adventures, and I am so happy I finally completed them, it was so stressful, technology never seems to work? But now I have finished them I am loving watching them and reliving the memories.

I have loved using my daily exercise for walking and exploring more of where I live, its beautiful. I did however, have a little accident with my foot and a doorframe so I have had to swap my trainers for my slippers for a while...it's beginning to drive me crazy.

I am loving spending time at home with my little cat Monty, he is loving us being at home so he has someone to play with all the time.

See you soon, Miss Denman x



I hope he can't read!



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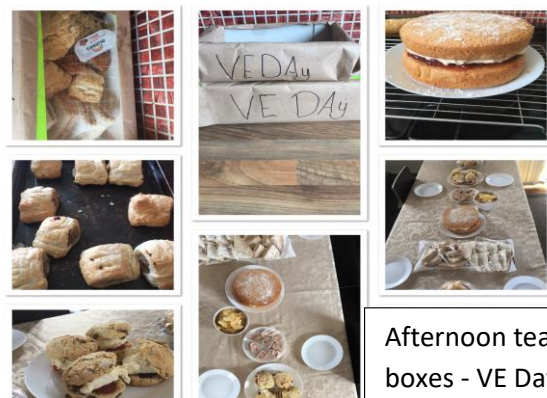
Another week has passed and another week in lockdown, how is everybody doing? This week has seen me dismantle a shed and learn how to lay a base for a shed. I am more of a visual learner so someone explaining how to do this to me I find a lot easier than reading instructions. Let's hope, when all the materials come, I will be successful.

Did you find it strange having May Day on a Friday this year so we could celebrate the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE day. Did any of you do anything special in your households or on your street? I know a few streets decorated their houses to celebrate and there were a few social distant street parties. One student even delivered afternoon tea boxes to their grandparents. Well done!

Don't forget to stay in touch and email any work that you have completed that you are especially proud of, I would love to see it.

Take Care, Mrs Hartley

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Afternoon tea boxes - VE Day

## Interesting May Facts

No United States president has ever died in May. It is the only month with that distinction.

Nine UK prime ministers were born in May, which is more than any other month.

## Recipe – Cake in a Mug

35g Plain Flour	2tbsp cocoa powder	2tbsp vegetable oil
¼ tsp baking powder	Pinch of salt	1tbsp Nutella or
2tbsp granulated sugar	60ml milk	Chocolate chips

- 1) Mix dry ingredients in the biggest mug you have
- 2) Mix in wet ingredients until all the lumps have gone
- 3) Drop the Nutella or chocolate chips on top in the middle
- 4) Put in the microwave on high for 70 secs