



# The Link Academy Newsletter

## May 2020



### Message from the Principal

Thank you to you and your families for your continued hard work and effort on distance learning. From Monday 01 June we plan to open for a small number of learners by invitation only in the first instance. A letter will follow to your parents/carers with regard to the specific details of this and I will keep you updated next week.

I will record another Vodcast next week to update you all again, in the meantime enjoy the half term break next week as your teachers won't be setting work. This gives you a chance to catch up or relax. Please remember though, be responsible and safe next week. The virus still presents a very real threat and I want you and your families to stay safe and well so please take care and practice social distancing.

I would also like to wish our Muslim community a happy Eid celebration next week.

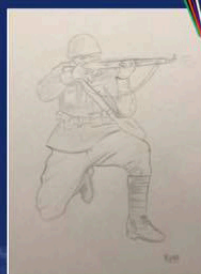
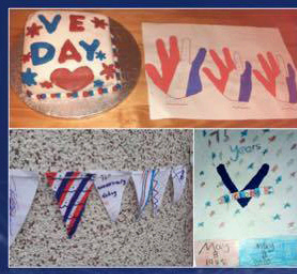
Kind regards

Mrs Edwards-Morgan  
Principal



04.05.20

## VE DAY CELEBRATION



**1<sup>st</sup> Place**

Samantha Lenton



**2<sup>nd</sup> Place**

Jessica Nile Guest



**3<sup>rd</sup> Place**

Kiranpreet Saini

### VE Day 75th Anniversary

Article by Mr Fellows

Friday 08 May 2020 marked the 75th anniversary of VE Day - the day when the guns fell silent at the end of the war in Europe. Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the countries 75th VE Day celebrations were cancelled and we were not able to celebrate as we had expected.

Families celebrated this fantastic event from the comfort of their own homes or front gardens. Inviting neighbours, friends and family to join from their houses. They were encouraged to decorate their houses in red, white and blue, and play games from afar.



## VE DAY

75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

A SHARED MOMENT OF CELEBRATION

8 - 10 MAY 2020



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**Photography Challenge**

**Staff**

**1st Place**

**2nd Place**

**3rd Place**

**Weather**

Week commencing: 11 May 2020

THE LINK ACADEMY Netherton

**Photography Challenge**

**Learner**

**1st Place**

**2nd Place**

**3rd Place**

## Weekly Photography Challenge

Article by Miss Bates

Congratulations to all winners and entries of this months challenges so far. The first challenge was to capture a black and white photograph. For the

second challenge, you can see the learners definitely understood the topic of 'weather' more then the staff.

Check your emails for more opportunities to get involved!

04.05.20

**Photography Challenge**

**Staff**

**1st Place**

**2nd Place**

**3rd Place**

**Black and white photograph**

Week commencing: 04 May 2020

THE LINK ACADEMY Netherton

**Photography Challenge**

**Learner**

**1st Place**

**2nd Place**

**3rd Place**

## RESPECTING EACH OTHER AND OUR WORLD

Miss Hignett has now raise over £4000 PPE Equipment, care packages and gifts for residents

Teacher's Facebook raffle



Mrs Edwards-Morgan, Mrs Jones, Mrs Haggart and Miss Sweet Making PPE Equipment



Mr Robbs and Ms Curlett raising money for PPE equipment for the local care homes



Mrs Homer has been busy too...

Ear protectors ..... buttons courtesy of money raised by Lucy in her raffles... given to Mrs Kendrick for her daughter Sister Lauren Kendrick to take to Russell's Hall #proudforyou

Hearts have been done as a response to a FB post her village from a key worker at Worcester Royal for hearts ♥ One to go with someone who has died from COVID 19 and who hasn't seen or had contact with their family, the matching one to go to their relatives as a connection. Sent to Worcester yesterday.



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We want to celebrate you too...

Email Miss Sweet anything you have done to help others

#actsofkindness  
#linkfamily  
#teamlink



We have covered 3080KM!!!!

AMAZING!!!!!!

WE NEED MORE STEPS

WE ARE HERE

We are in Russia by the Oka River

steps@thelinkacademy.org.uk

# Walk the World

Week commencing: 11 May 2020

Family League Table	
Bradford's	415527
Curlett's	274522
Clarkson's	240184

Learner League Table	
Nasieh Saleh	106151
Samantha Lenton	40828
Alex Jones	39855

Staff League Table	
Ms Curlett	144302
Miss Walsh	142142
Mr Robbs	130220

Email a picture of yours **and** your families daily steps



## Mr Robbs Braves to Become Bald

Article by Miss Curlett

Mr Robbs raised £882 by braving to shave his hair off. When contacting Netherton Green care home it was apparent that they were running low on aprons, gloves and antibacterial wash. These were purchased and delivered to them and Ashgrove Care home who are also located close to our school. The last £100 was donated to Heaven's Kitchen in Dudley; here they provide help to the homeless and hurting in our community.

Well done to all that donated, along with Mr Robbs for being such a good sport.

## MasterChef

We have had some fantastic entries with lots of you showing off your amazing cooking and baking skills! A massive well done to all of you that entered! It was a real pleasure to receive all your pictures and the judges had very difficult decision. Well done to the Link Academy Masterchef champion 2020 and the two fantastic runners up.

Week commencing:  
04 May 2020

Learner

## MasterChef



### Coral Reef Cake



1<sup>st</sup> Place  
Katie Smart



### Chicken Jalfrezi

2<sup>nd</sup> Place  
Hannah Shaw

### Summer Berries Pavlova



3<sup>rd</sup> Place  
Liam Shepherd

## MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK

#mentalhealthweek



Fantastic effort from Lauren Wass who did a 10k on her local field and raised £140.00 for Birmingham St Mary's Hospice.

Miss Giddings arrived at my house with surprise cake and had more she was delivering. LOVELY

AMAZING COMMUNITY Food parcels taken to food banks and families from Mrs Drew and lots of other families



A family have been knitting for the premature babies unit at the hospitals.

Well Done Libby Fieldhouse who has been baking cupcakes and delivering them to her elderly neighbors.



## CHALLENGE RANDOM ACTS OF Kindness



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## REWARDING EFFORT

### SUBJECT AWARDS

**PRINCIPAL AWARDS**

**KS3**  
Learner of the Week:  
**Jordan Young**

**KS4**  
Learner of the Week:  
**Jay Higgins**

English Award	Hafsa Ali	Food Award	Cira Jones
Science Award	Jess Siddie	3D Design Award	Thomas Belt
Maths Award	Mackenzie Hall	PE Award	Saira Mahar
History Award	Mehak Khan	Physical Education Award	Jasmin Calaj
Geography Award	Grace Wimbush	Health and Social Care Award	Isobel Hopson
MFL Award	Tahir Zada	Photography Award	Heath Wilkinson
Art Award	Sophie Thomas	Computing Award	Will Steele
Music Award	Daniel Benbow	Business Studies Awards	Ben Priest
Drama Award	Joe Priest	Creative iMedia Award	Jordan Young
Resilience	Ayah Ali		

## YEAR 10: REWARDING EFFORT

### SUBJECT AWARDS

**The BIG one:**  
**Alice Rock**  
**Liam Williams**  
(£30 Amazon Voucher)

**EXTRA PRIZES**  
Most Improved Effort Scores  
(£10 Amazon Voucher)  
Savanna Jaan  
Kane Kirton  
Kody Shaw  
Steve De Wolfe  
Tomarise Casey  
Could this be you next week?

English Award	Skye Smith	Food Award	Holly Westwood
Science Award	James Cullen	3D Design Award	Jay Higgins
Maths Award	Ewan Northall	Textiles Award	Chelsy Hughes
History Award	Savannah Kendrick	Physical Education Award	Callum Ketteringham
Geography Award	Megan Seymour	CNAT Sport Award	Morgan Clutterbuck
MFL Award	Karina Bhatt	Computing Award	Adam Podgorski
Art Award	Mehak Khan	Business Studies Award	Ellie Boffey
Music Award	Rebecca Brookes	Creative iMedia Award	Joel Elford
Drama Award	Leena Siddiq	Health and Social Care Award	Elisha Mahmood
Dance Award	Gemma Leary	Photography Award	Gemma Leary

## REWARDING EFFORT

### SEVEN WEEKLY PRIZES!

- Learner of the Week (KS3)
- Learner of the Week (KS4)
- Hegarty Maths (KS3)
- Hegarty Maths (KS4)
- GCSE Pod
- Century Tech

AND

7. SUBJECT PRIZES (ALL 20 Subjects!)

## Hegarty Maths

11.05.20

**KS3**  
**HEGARTY HERO**  
Jake Taylor

**KS4**  
**HEGARTY HERO**  
Mustafa Bhatti

Week commencing: 11 May 2020

## REWARDING EFFORT

### YEAR 10

And...

**The BIG one**

A weekly challenge: You will be EFFORT scored by all your teachers! The highest effort score or most improved! A different competition each week! Choose from **Amazon Eco Dot or £30 Amazon voucher** learner can choose.

AND

SUBJECT PRIZES

## Involving Parents in our School Life

Article by Mrs Worsey

### Life during lockdown – and beyond!

We hope you and your families are keeping safe and well, I have posted this information provided by Triple P Positive Parenting Programme which may be helpful to you.

### Online Positive Parenting Programme

Strengthening parenting skills and supporting the parent/child relationship. To replace the groups we run, until further notice parents can apply to do the online courses at [www.dudleyparents.co.uk](http://www.dudleyparents.co.uk)

Select 2-10 years tab for younger children programme.

Select 11-16 years tab for the teen programme.

Complete a couple of questions and you will be sent an online code to start.

### New Free Positive Parenting Digital Magazine

Parenting in Uncertain Times! Plenty of useful tips and strategies and able to be read on phones and tablets. There are articles on home schooling, managing emotions during this period, ways to keep kids occupied, and much more:

<http://www.triplep-parenting.uk.net/>

### Dudley Adult and Community Learning - Free Online Courses

Dudley Adult and Community Learning are offering Free Online Courses (Virtual Learning Environment with access to a tutor). Details of courses follow:

- Health and Well Being
- An Introduction to Resilience
- Emotional Wellbeing Introductory - Online Workshop
- Art - Creating Artwork Using a Theme or Subject Matter
- Creating and Developing a Sketchbook Journal
- Digital Skills - Safer Online
- Exercise – Theory and Practice

For more information and enrolment about any of the courses please contact Glen Ostins on 07824 598894.

For information on any of the above please contact Paulette Worsey, Parent Link Worker by email: [pworsey@thelinkacademy.org.uk](mailto:pworsey@thelinkacademy.org.uk)

## Summer Term Dates

**Half term:** Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2020 - Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2020  
**Term ends:** Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2020



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