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Headmistress's Message

Dear Parents,

Thank you for all your messages of support and for the positive suggestions and comments on both home learning and the phased re-opening of school. It is so helpful to have your support in making this turbulent and changeable time manageable and enjoyable for your daughters.

I am so proud of the way our staff and your daughters have been working together. I am immensely grateful for the support that you have given to your daughter during this period of home learning.

It has been great to welcome back groups of pupils to Braeside. The measures that have been put in place have facilitated a smooth and happy transition back into school life—even if it is rather different.

Assemblies will remain recorded or over Zoom to showcase all pupils—both in school and at home. This newsletter is an example of all the amazing and creative work that has been produced during the home learning period. Well done Braeside for rising to the challenge! I wish you and your families well during these strange times.

Chloe Moon

Headmistress



Year 7 NHS Posters

For PSHE, Year 7 created some posters to put in their windows to thank the NHS and urge people to stay at home. **They look great and definitely did there bit brightening the streets!**



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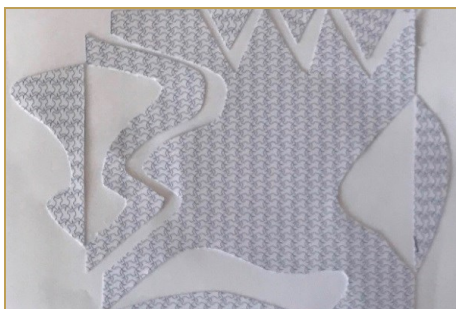
Year 5 and 6 Optical Art

Year 5 and 6 have been exploring the art of illusion and form and created some of their own fantastic pieces of optical art. **Great work!**



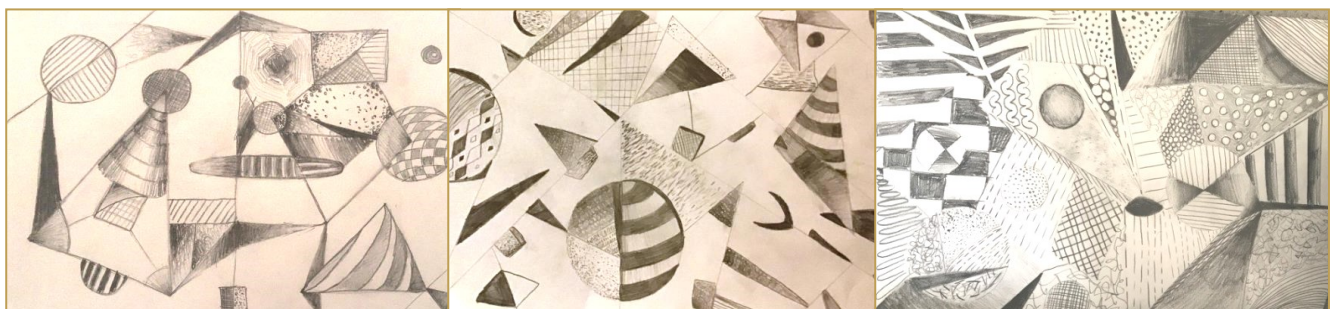
Notan Inspired Paper Collages

Year 8 have been looking at Notan art. Notan is a Japanese term that describes the balance between light and dark. Pupils have explored contrasting coloured paper to explore their abstract ideas of negative and positive, and have created some great artwork. **Well done!**



Imaginative Abstract Art

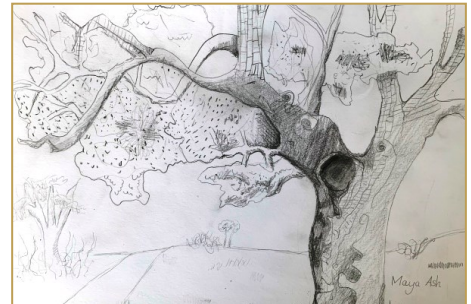
Year 7 have been building on their knowledge of using tone, line and texture to create imaginative abstract art. They showed great control and use of shape and pencil pressures. **Well done, Year 7!**



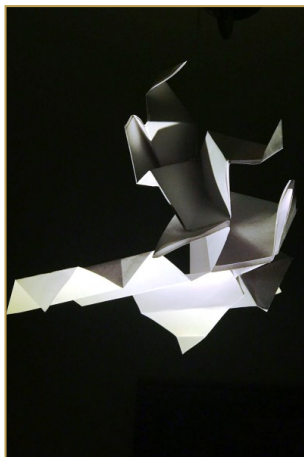
Exploring Visual Texture



Year 5 have been exploring visual texture and Vincent Van Gogh in their recent art lessons. They practised their technique first and then, inspired by Van Gogh's work, had a go at their own artwork, with some impressive outcomes!



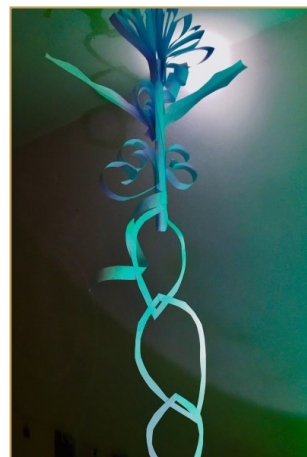
Year 8 Paper Sculptures



Year 8 have been busy getting creative with paper sculptures. Pupils explored paper, simple folds and geometric shapes to produce these interesting abstract sculptures. Their fine motor skills were really put to the test and it was really impressive how pupils explored light and shadow to create powerful photographic images.

Geometric Shapes Inspired By Nature

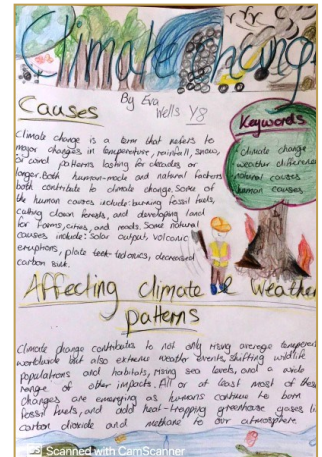
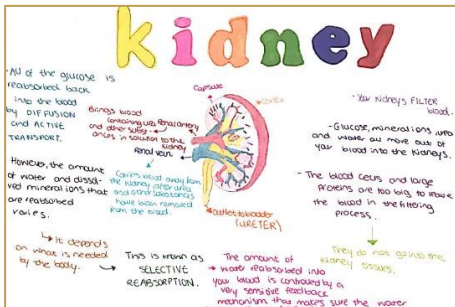
Following on from their paper sculptures, Year 8 built on their knowledge by exploring using natural shapes to create an abstract paper sculpture using just paper and their imagination. Well done everyone, there were some interesting and creative outcomes!



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Science Posters

We have seen some fantastic posters being produced from our pupils recently to help reinforce their learning. Year 8 have been learning about climate change and made posters explaining what climate change is, its' impact and how we can help prevent it. Year 10 have been revising homeostasis and looked at how the kidneys work to filter the blood and remove waste.

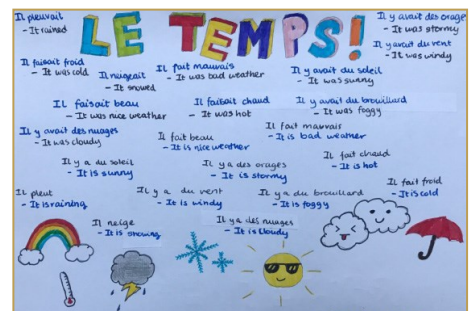
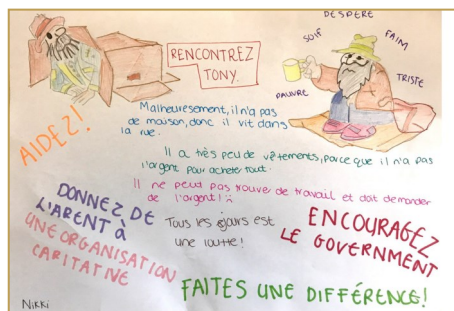


French Posters

Year 8 and year 10 made some fantastic posters during their French lessons this term. Year 8 were asked to create posters to show their understanding of turning weather phrases from past to present.



Whilst year 10 learned to express their opinions about the homeless and suggest solutions to help homeless charities. Their posters were to promote helping such charities.



Year 1 Virtual Assembly

The Year 1 pupils who are currently in the school enjoyed taking part in a Junior Assembly led by Mrs Copeman. It was great for them to be able to see their fellow pupils via a zoom call, as Mrs Copeman spoke to the children about 'Staying Healthy'.



Year 5 Worry Dolls

During their art lessons, Year 5 looked into worry dolls. Worry dolls are handmade dolls, most often made in Guatemala from wire, wool and small pieces of fabric. The dolls are often tiny, though Western versions can be much larger. Traditionally, the dolls are given to children to help them with their worries.



Children will share their concerns with the dolls and then place them under their pillows where the worries will go away

overnight. Pupils then had a go making their own worry dolls which turned out fantastic, **well done!**



Celebrating VE Day

Although we couldn't celebrate VE Day as we planned this year, many of our pupils still had fun commemorating the day. We saw some delicious looking cakes made, some fantastic home-made bunting hung and lovely posters made. It looks like everyone had a great day!



Spanish Cooking At Home

As part of their topic on food, Year 7 learnt to understand recipes in Spanish. They were given a choice of practical tasks. They could either try one of three recipes (written in Spanish) at home and send us a photo, or write instructions in Spanish for their favourite recipe. Humaira made beautiful cakes by following a recipe for 'magdalenas' (Spanish fairy cakes), Gracie made a fantastic Spanish tortilla and Aina wrote perfect instructions for 'pan y huevos' (eggs on toast).



Mixing Colours in Spanish

In their Spanish lessons, Year 6 have been learning about colours. They then combined their language and art skills to produce fantastic posters explaining how to mix colours in Spanish. **Well done Year 6 for your lovely work!**



YouTube Videos

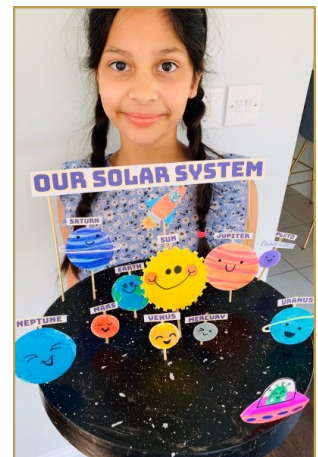
We have been updating our YouTube account regularly this term and it is filled with some great videos of recent half term highlights, lots of home school work and much more...



Year 5 Look at the Solar System



Year 5 got creative at home and built a model of the solar system. To tie in with this task, the pupils also researched facts about each planet. Nanaki and Maya sent in their work for us all to see. Maya went a step further and looked at the scale of the planets and the distances from the sun. **Incredible work Year 5.**



World in a Box



For their art project, pupils were given the creative task of making their own 'World in a Box'. The box could be anything they wanted it to be. For example, based on a dream world, a favourite holiday destination, or their pets or hobbies.

LAMDA Results

We are very pleased to announced that last month we received the result of the LAMDA exams that many of our pupils took back in March. The exams were in a mixture of subjects and grades including 'Speaking in Public' and 'Speaking in Verse and Prose'. Overall we had 14 passes, 10 with Merit. Huge congratulations to Madeline, Humaira, Beatrice and Freya, all of who passed with Distinction!

LAMDA exams are designed to help pupils develop the skills and confidence to be a success, aiding with attributes such as self-confidence and the ability to communicate clearly and present ideas.

These are all important life skills that will help our pupils in later life. They offer pupils formal qualifications that will enhance any CV.

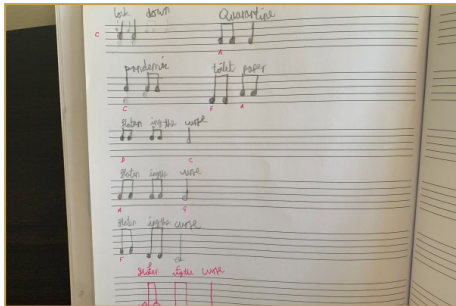
We are so proud of all of our pupils, well done!



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Junior Music Project

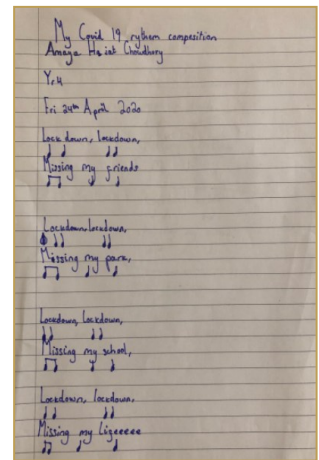
The Juniors have been working hard at home taking part in a music project. They have been writing and composing their own musical with a similar theme!



My Covid-19 Rhythm Composition:
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 Class: Year 5
 Date: 24th April 2020

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Year 9 Form Time Tasks

Despite working from home, pupils have still taken part in form time which they have all enjoyed. Year 9 were set various tasks during this time, such as; write a letter to your grandparents, write a short poem about 'staying at home', take a photograph of nature and write a paragraph on what you understand by VE day and how Braeside pupils could commemorate VE Day in lockdown. The standard of work has been fantastic, well done!



Dear nan,

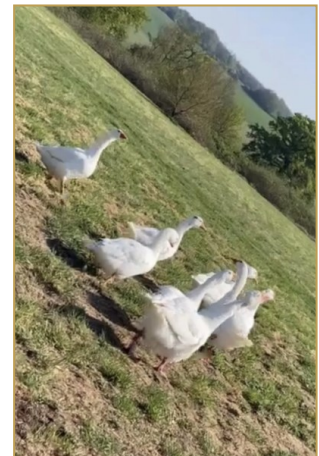
I haven't spoken to you in a couple months now. I miss you so much and I also miss granddad. I know its hard to believe but you look after yourself and not just everyone around you.

I'm sorry I haven't returned you in a white but I'm doing online school now which is a little weird. I told my cousins to look after you and get you everything you need!

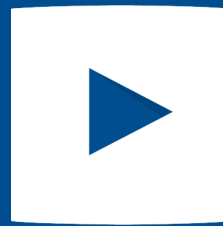
I know you miss London. My mum, me and your garden but don't worry I'm looking after it all (I'm even feeding the pigeons).

My mum is fine and so am I. We both really miss you guys and can't wait to see everyone again. I love you.

Love, Ayra ♡

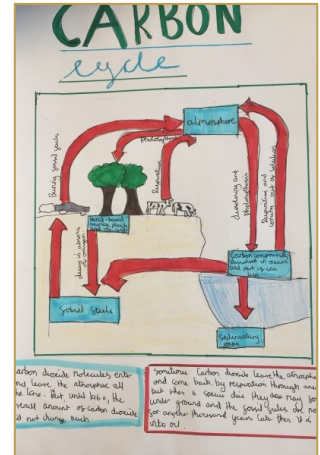
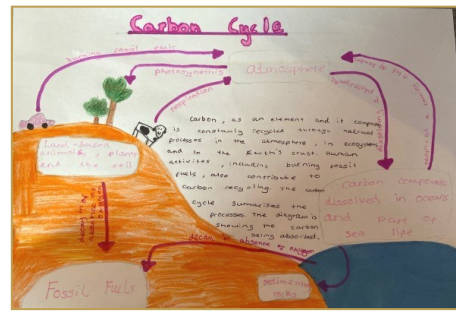


Getting Social



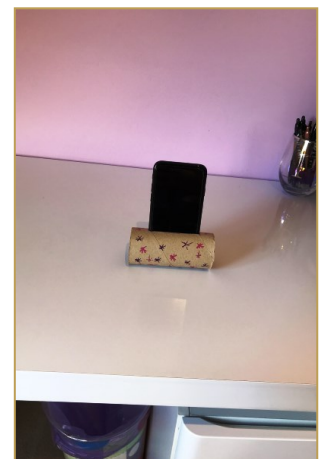
Year 8 and Global Warming

This term, Year 8 started learning about the Earth, the atmosphere and global warming. Despite not being in a classroom environment, they put in an incredible amount of effort into their posters to showcase their learning. **Well done, Year 8!**



Upcycling for Earth Day

Mrs Moon asked pupils to 'upcycle' something for Earth Day this term. It was a home project whereby pupils had to find a redundant item and give it new life! We were overwhelmed with the response and received some amazing photos of upcycled items, such as an old flower pot being turned into an incredible pencil holder, a tin can into a flower pot, and toilet roll into a phone holder! **Well done for all your creative entries.**



Keyworker Children

We enjoyed having the keyworker children at the central hub at Oaklands School during the first half of Summer Term. The changes certainly took some getting used to, but we definitely made it work, and it was a great chance for the children from different schools to get to know each other a little better.



Bee House Project



Pupils have done a fantastic job with their project of making a bee house for their garden. Nanaki has even come up with a catchy name for hers - welcome to BUZZ BnB!



Epping Forest Youth Council 2020

We are delighted to announce that three of our pupils have made it onto the Epping Forest Youth Council this year. A huge congratulations to Riya, Samantha, and Simran!

Due to the inability to hold the Youth Council elections as normal, Epping Forest District Council made the decision to continue the work of the Youth Council without election and therefore the 29 eligible candidates have been invited to join.



Youth Council meetings and training are being held online and via social media which is all very new and exciting.

The Epping Forest Youth Council plays a very important role. They represent the young people of Epping Forest and help to give them a voice in the community, working together to change the Epping Forest District for the better.

We are looking forward to the year ahead!

Incredible Artwork

Amaarah in Year 11 has produced this fantastic piece of artwork to illustrate how to wash your hands thoroughly. Great work, Amaarah!



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Freya's Art

Freya has worked with her family to recreate a famous work of art. I'm sure you will agree that she has done a great job!



Mask Making

We are very proud of Jessica who has been making masks for her friends and family using materials she had at home. Well done for helping to keep others safe while also developing a new skill!



A New Way of School Life

We were very pleased to welcome the first phase of pupils back to school on Monday. Pupils have embraced the new way of schooling, being very careful to social distance at all times and follow the guidelines that have been set out. Although it is all very different from what they are used to, they have enjoyed being able to see their friends and staff again!

