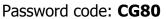


Dear Year 11,

I hope you enjoyed the Sixth Form Induction and found it useful and insightful. The next steps are to immerse yourself in the bridging work on Show My Homework and wider reading that will help prepare you for success in September. Take on the advice given by the subject leaders and use your time over the summer wisely. If you are still undecided on which courses to choose, have a watch of the video below to hear why these students made their choices.

#### https://www.netsixthform.co.uk/resources/view/week-7-choosing-your-sixth-formcourses





Having to decide on which subjects to choose for your future career is very difficult, especially if you are not sure what you want to do. I was twenty-five before I finally decided what I wanted to do for a living. With one eye on your future career start to look for opportunities that will help get your foot in the door and allow you to make contacts.

Here is one opportunity some of you may wish to look into, it is called The Step-Up Sorority and it offers access to a network of "big sisters" that will help give you the representation, resources and support to get into the career of your dreams. If you click on the picture below it will take you to their site where you can register your interest.



#### THE UK'S 1ST BAME SORORITY

The Step-Up Sorority is the UK's 1st BAME (Black, Asian, Minority Ethnic) sorority, forming connections for under-represented young women at the start of their careers, helping to get them into the industry of their dreams after studying.

Essentially, a sisterhood for success.



Whilst we still do not know what results day will look like we will keep you informed as soon as the government releases more information. The school put forward the results we feel you deserve based on predictions, mocks, every test and exam you have ever done since primary school and so hopefully they will agree with these and not change them and that you will receive the results you need for the courses of your choice.

When you have your results, you will be able to sign up to the subjects you have chosen if you have met the entry requirements – fingers crossed! We really would like to see as many of your back with us at CHSG as possible.

Keep well all,

Mrs Durrett



## Sophie 13JPI

School finished abruptly for all of us at CHSG in March, but it's certainly saddening to know that after almost 7 years at the school, I won't be coming back.

This time has been uncertain for us Year 13s, as we are not only not sitting exams this year, but it is also uncertain whether university courses will be resuming as normal in September.

Despite this, I've been keen to keep myself busy during lockdown. As a member of the Air Cadets, I have been participating in online nights which include lessons and quizzes.

I have also used this time as an opportunity to focus on my health and fitness by being more active- whether it be walking, cycling, or doing home workouts! It was definitely not easy to adapt to Lockdown, but I am keen to say a proper goodbye when I can!



#### Saher 13JPI

Lockdown has been a strange time for everyone, but it has given us a chance to spend more time with family (possibly too much?).

During this time, I have been taking well needed time to reflect and relax. Baking a lot more has been nice as I'd never had the time before. I've been busy in the kitchen learning to cook new things and have been making dinner a couple of times a week as part of my parents mission to get me prepared for university.

I have also joined a couple university group chats these have been a great way to socialise and meet new people virtually.



There have been lots of zoom calls and quizzes. Group facetimes with family and friends have been keeping me sane (and were very necessary on Eid this year) as well as being busy with my little sister at home.

I have fallen back in love with reading books of my own choice and not just for a personal statement or an A level textbook. Some of my favourites that I have read and reread during this time are *White Tiger, To Kill A Mockingbird* (for the hundredth time), *The Secret History* and have just received a delivery which includes books that talk about the oppression of black minorities. It is important that we are not naïve or ignorant towards these extremely important matters and educate ourselves and others around us and in our school community of the long lasting and long term changes that need to occur for a more just and equal society.

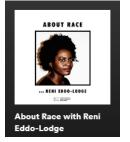




### Zaahra 13MPN

I have listed some articles to books, podcasts, and things to watch... all these things you can buy or even find online in order for us to better understand the context behind and the significance of the black lives matter movement:

#### **Podcasts:**







#### **Books:**

<u>10 Books About Race to Read ......</u> Books About Race In Britain To Add To Your Anti Racist Reading List

#### Watch:

13<sup>th</sup> When They See Us Dear White People 12 Years A Slave The Help

I hope working from home isn't too bad and that you and your families are well and safe.



## **Mr Conduit-Smith**

#### Talk a walk on the wild side....

Dear Students, I hope you are well and safe. With the easing of lockdown, at weekends I have been exploring the countryside around London. I am amazed at how beautiful our country is and you only have to travel a few miles to find some truly amazing scenery. With my local park being busy, I have been using a walking app to find some excellent places to take my dog Edie for a walk so we both get some must needed exercise.

One of my walks is a circular walk starting and finishing in Westerham. Westerham is a nice town located 15 miles south of Sutton. The walk involves walking across meadows, through forests and over a river, (Edie liked the river to cool off!). Part of the walk takes you past Chartwell, which is where Winston Churchill lived for a large part of his life. The walk is 10 km long and took me just over 2hrs.

During this uncertain time, it is important more than ever to look after ourselves both physically and mentally. Doing exercise is an excellent way of relieving stress and anxiety as well as keeping physically healthy. When we exercise it stimulates the release of dopamine, norepinephrine, and serotonin.

These brain chemicals play an important part in regulating our mood. For example, regular exercise can positively impact serotonin levels in our brain. Raising your levels of serotonin boosts your mood and overall sense of well-being.

So there you have it, exercise can lift our mood so dust off your trainers and get out there!







## **Maths Brain Teaser**







7 cars have stopped at the traffic lights.

•The green car is directly behind the blue car.

- •The black car is directly in front of the red car.
- •The silver car is between the white car and the blue car.

•The pink car is directly behind the green car and two in front of the red car.



List the cars in their correct order.







So the empty cylinder weighs
71 - 24 = 47kg.

Half the gas weighs 95 - 71 = 24kg.

## **Inspirational Women**

## Virginia Hall

The Nazis considered Virginia Hall the "most dangerous of all Allied spies," yet the incredible feats of the "Limping Lady" are largely unknown today.

Determined to help defeat the Nazis, Hall became the first female secret agent to operate in France, first for the British and later for the American spy agencies -- and she is now considered one of the greatest spies of WWII. To read the story of how Hall spent years undercover behind enemy lines -- along with her wooden prosthetic leg that she nicknamed Cuthbert – visit

https://www.amightygirl.com/blog?p=23977

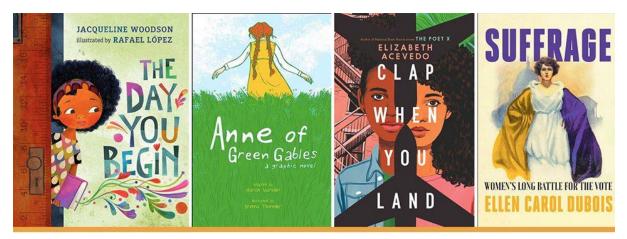






A Mighty Girl's popular girl-empowering summer reading list is here! One of the great joys of summer for students is the opportunity to explore books all on their own without the pressure of book reviews or classroom assessments. And with so many people of all ages staying home right now, they've expanded their special feature to include summer reading recommendations for adults too- so parents/carers take a look as well!

To view the special feature on A Mighty Girl's 2020 Summer Reading List, visit <u>https://www.amightygirl.com/summer-reading</u>



# A Mighty Girl's 2020 SUMMER READING LIST

## for Children, Teens, and Adults





## **Speakers for Schools Programme**

Founded in 2010 by ITV's Political Editor, Robert Peston, Speakers for Schools aim is to end educational inequality by giving all young people access to the same prestigious networks available to the top fee-paying schools in the UK. Through talks from today's influential figures via their Inspiration Programme, through their **Experience** work experience programme linking state school students to industry-leading companies and networked support partners they help to level the playing field for young people of all backgrounds.

Their services for schools and students entirely free of charge.

https://www.speakersforschools.org/inspiration/vtalks/upcoming-vtalks/

This week's talks are:

KATY SUMPTION Author & Creative Director DATE: Monday 6th July, 10am AGE GROUP: KS3/S1-2 WATCH LIVE TALK HERE	Interested in advertising and how to start your career? Tune in to listen to co-founder of a creative agency and author, Katy Sumption speak about her career journey and what lead her to write a book for young people about anxiety.
CASSIE CHADDERTON CEO, World Book Day DATE: Tuesday 7th July, 10am AGE GROUP: KS3/S1-2 WATCH LIVE TALK HERE	Most of us have heard of World Book Day! Join SFS and World Book Day's CEO, Cassie Chadderton to discuss her varied career in the creative industries, the importance of the arts in society and more about World Book Day.
MATT BRITTIN	Matt will be joining SFS to discuss his life
President, EMEA Business &	lessons and advice, preparing for the world
Operations, Google	of work and the ever changing tech
DATE: Tuesday 7th July, 2pm	industry – what could this look like in 2030
AGE GROUP: KS4-5/S5-6	and how can students prepare themselves
WATCH LIVE TALK HERE	for a career in tech?
ADAM FORBES	Join this Vtalk to learn more about business
Head of Marketing, BP Launchpad	start-ups and delivering cleaner energy to
DATE: Wednesday 8th July, 10am	the world – a must attend for those
AGE GROUP: KS4-5/S5-6	interested in entrepreneurship, business or
WATCH LIVE TALK HERE	the environment.

## KANBAR HOSSEIN BOR

Deputy High Commissioner for Bangladesh DATE: Wednesday 8th July, 2pm AGE GROUP: KS4-5/S5-6 WATCH LIVE TALK HERE Join us as Kanbar Hossein Bor, formerly Deputy High Commissioner for Bangladesh is interviewed SFS. He will reflect on his personal journey from child refugee to British diplomat as he is asked questions by young people including on the meaning of British identity, British values and the challenges and opportunities of being a diplomat in the current climate.

Penguin employees, Simon Armstrong and Hannah Chukwu, share how the industry works, how books are made and how to get into publishing.

## HOW TO GET INTO PUBLISHING- IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PENGUIN TALKS

Simon Armstrong, Publicity Manager and Hannah Chukwu, Editorial, Penguin Random House How to Get Into Publishing DATE: Thursday 9th July, 2pm AGE GROUP: KS4-5/S5-6 WATCH LIVE TALK HERE

## **BEN SAUNDERS**

Polar Explorer DATE: Friday 10th July, 10am AGE GROUP: KS3-5/S1-6 WATCH LIVE TALK HERE

## DR KATIE MACK

Theoretical Astrophysicist DATE: Friday 10th July, 2pm AGE GROUP: KS4-5/S5-6 WATCH LIVE TALK HERE Join us as polar explorer, Ben Saunders, talks to young people across the UK about his career and adventures. Ben will discuss with students the importance of goal setting, self-belief, resilience, teamwork, communication, and leadership. This exciting Vtalk is not to be missed!

This is a VTalk not to miss! Dr Katie Mack is a theoretical astrophysicist who studies a range of questions in cosmology, the study of the universe from beginning to end. Throughout her career she has studied dark matter, the early universe, galaxy formation, black holes, cosmic strings, and the ultimate fate of the cosmos. Join SFS and Katie to discover more about her career, why she loves astrophysics and what lead her to write two books.

## LIFE UNDER LOCKDOWN CAREER PROF

## The Army

#### What the role involves

The army is responsible for defending the UK and its allies across the world, as well as taking part in peacekeeping and humanitarian operations. You will be involved in regular training exercises to ensure you maintain a high level of fitness and military skills so that you are ready for combat at any time. You will also chose to train and work within one of many trades. You may be posted to dangerous areas and inhospitable environments at any time, whether for peacekeeping and aid missions or to engage in warfare.

#### Type of person suited to this work

You should be able to work as part of a team, reacting quickly to orders, working on your own initiative where necessary, and supporting other team members both professionally and emotionally at times. You must be extremely disciplined and responsible, with the ability to think and act logically under pressure. You must be physically fit with excellent stamina.

#### **Qualifications and courses**

There are no formal qualifications for entry as a soldier, although some technical jobs require certain GCSEs. You must be aged 16 to enlist as well as meet the army nationality and residency requirements. Applicants under 18 must have parental consent. As part of the recruitment process you will be required to spend 2 days at an assessment centre. As part of your assessment you will take a physical assessment, a medical and a number tests and team exercises. Upon acceptance you will begin phase 1 of training. If you are under 17 years and 5 months old this will be either a 20 or 40 week course at Harrogate. If you are older you will do a 14 week package at either Pirbright or Winchester. After initial training you go on to do phases 2 or 3 in particular trades, such as aviation and engineering.

#### Salary guide

Soldiers can expect to receive £14,931 per year during initial training. This rises to a minimum of £18,488 per year once you are qualified as a private. Some roles receive additional pay such as radiographers and combat engineers. All staff receive annual salary increases. If you move up the ranks to sergeant you can expect to earn around £33,000. There is also a scheme which offers additional pay for spending longer than 10 days away from home. In addition to basic salary you will receive subsided accommodation and food with free medical and dental cover.

Further information www.applyarmy.mod.uk



## Conversation is the key...

We crave contact with others for support, wellbeing and entertainment. But as our lifestyles become ever more reliant on digital tools and social media, these simple interactions are under threat. Nothing compares to living in real communities and spending actual physical time with the people we love. This has been highlighted by the COVID-19 Lockdown period.

## Why is human interaction so important?

For one thing, it is important for our mental health. Social contact helps us to cope with stress and major life changes. People will have still been experiencing stressful circumstances throughout the Lockdown period. Our way of dealing with things that cause stress is social interaction with others. There is also compelling evidence to suggest human contact is vital for physical health and general well-being too. The advantages of communicating with others,

- Sharing our experiences, gives us the opportunity to receive a different perspective.
- We get new ideas; encouragement, advice and strength to cope.
- It builds up our language and social emotional skills
- We learn to interpret events, express what we think, want and need
- We develop our problem-solving skills

# **Breathing Space**

Open up when you're feeling down

Need to talk? Need help now? Call free on 0800 83 85 87 Opening hours

**Weekdays:** Monday-Thursday 6pm to 2am **Weekend:** Friday 6pm-Monday 6am



## Welcome to Mrs Harmsworth's weekly **Easypeasypuddings**

## **Milk Jelly Mousse**



Make up the jelly with 200mls of boiling water, when all dissolved, leave it to cool.

Whisk up 400mls of evaporated milk, it will thicken and expand. (makes 1 pint)

Carefully pour in the cooled (not yet set) jelly while continuing to whisk.

Pour into glass bowls or a jelly mould, leave in the fridge until it has set.

Use your imagination to decorate!

Summer fruits, squirty cream, chocolate drops...