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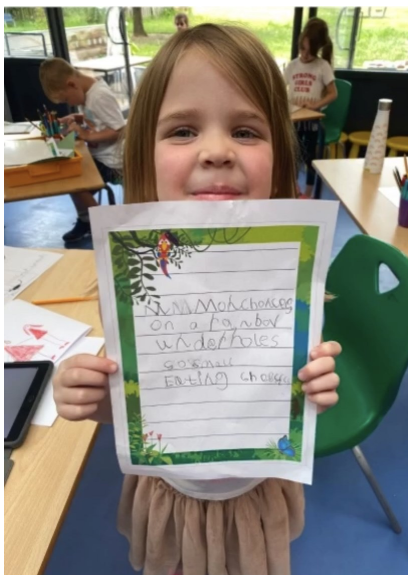
LOWER SCHOOL LEADING THE CHARGE



A beautiful day on Tuesday saw students from Reception, Year 1 & 6 return to site.

The day started with socially distanced queueing for temperature checks and hand sanitiser before students headed to classrooms to be with their teachers for the first time since March 20th.

On Manor Wood the field was divided into four to enable pods of children to play outside without mixing. Year 1 took over the Y3 & 4 classrooms and Y6 spreading out of their classrooms into the French room and one Y5 room and got their meter ruler out to check everyone was distancing correctly!



Over in Ivy Wood it was all aboard the lunch express. Teachers created train carriages using crates and the children loved jumping on board for a socially distanced picnic lunch.

Nina, Y1 teacher said: "The students are excited to have their own desk space and are taking our new way of learning in their stride. They're thrilled to see, work and play alongside their friends again; as are the staff!"

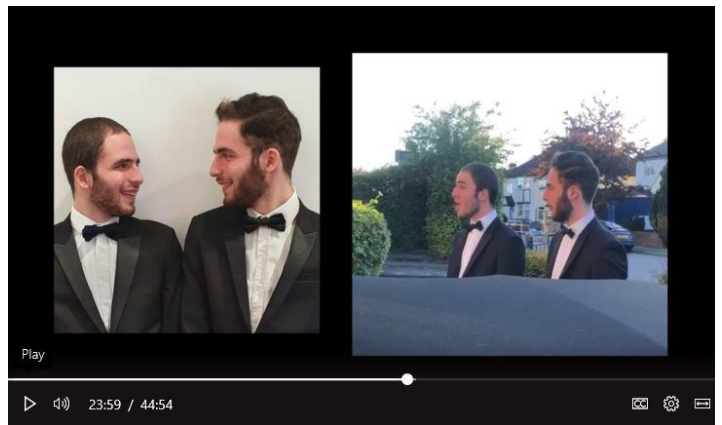
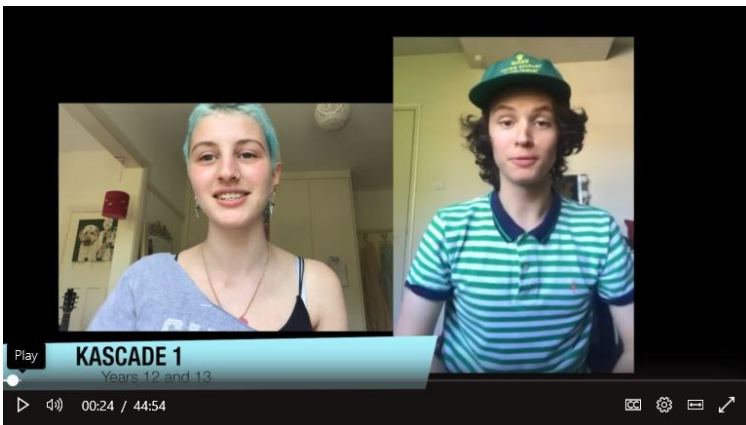


KASCADING SUCCESS

The Music Department have been busy supporting students throughout the school to continue their normal lessons. In addition, they've also been putting together a series of concerts to fill the hole left by the various plays and performances which we're sadly missing.

Students filmed themselves at home and then, with the help of Film Studies teacher, Nuray, the films were stitched together into an enjoy-at-home concert.

Huge thanks to Neven and all the Music Department staff and congratulations to our Y12 & 13 students who starred in the first KASCade concert: Alfie, Amy, Archie, Eliza, Elvis, Ethan, Eve, Justin, Kitty, Max, Olivia, Ori, Romy and Sophie.



Coming soon! KASCades Concerts from Middle and Lower School.

FROM KAS TO NHS - A LETTER FROM AN OLD ALFREDIAN

David Kovar attended KAS between 1988 – 2000 and, after going on to the University of Leeds, he joined the NHS Graduate Management Training Scheme. He is now Director of Operational Resilience at North Middlesex University Hospital NHS Trust. He shared his memories of KAS and experiences of dealing with the Covid-19 pandemic – [you can read the full letter on our website.](#)

“I have been lucky enough to work in a variety of roles within the NHS but I’ve been at the North Middlesex since March, having been appointed to lead the organisations response to Covid-19.

Working in the NHS in these unprecedented times has been extremely challenging, in ways that few of us ever expected to experience in our careers. I’ve been constantly inspired by all the staff and volunteers I’ve had the privilege of working with. These front line workers have been dealing with death, uncertainty, suffering and anxiety on a huge scale. But throughout it all, their fortitude, compassion and dedication has shone through. My experience of working alongside them will stay with me.

This isn’t the whole story, it would be wrong to imply anyone has been finding things easy, but if you look you can see an awful lot of hope. Armies of volunteers donating their time, former colleagues returning to work to treat patients and support staff, endless donations of food, services achieving in weeks what would normally take years, a nation showing its appreciation every Thursday evening, paramedics working in Intensive Care Units, doctors working nursing shifts and all of us skipping the queue at Waitrose.

If you know any key workers, be kind to them, they’re all tired. In the meantime, be kind to each other. Check in on old friends, stay in touch with everyone and call your parents. To my fellow Old Alfredians who are also key workers, thank you, and to all of you, stay safe.”



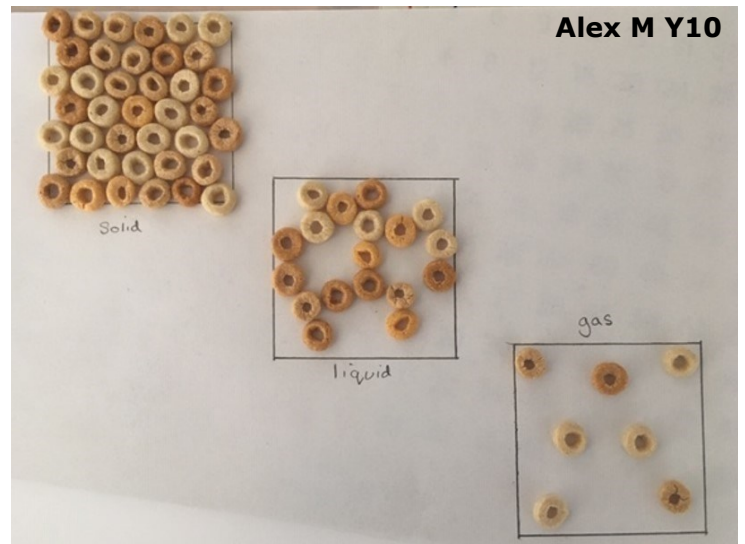
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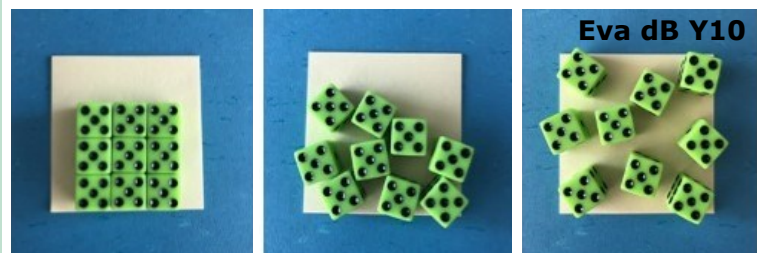
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SOLID PIECES OF WORK

Year 10 have been studying the particle model of matter. As part of the topic, one of their assignments was to make a model showing the particles in solids, liquids and gases and to use the model to explain the properties of each state of matter. Here are some examples of the models.



BUSINESS STUDIES



With exams cancelled and more time at home, some of our students have discovered their entrepreneurial side.

You can hire Y13 UAL students Ethan and Justin to serenade someone on their socially distanced doorstep. [Find The Doorstep Duo here.](#)



With no exams, Bela, Frank, Finn and Seb decided to put what they'd learned in economics, DT and maths, into practice by starting up a mask making company providing ethical but fashionable face coverings. [Shop online here.](#) Both ventures are giving a portion of profits to charity.

ROBERT AND KAREN'S MESSAGE

After weeks of uncertainty, enough guidelines to fill a lever-arch folder twice over, and many hours of preparation by the Estates team and teaching staff, the sound of student laughter rang across the field for the first time since March 20. It was wonderful to see the joy and excitement on students faces and it's amazing how quickly they've settled back into life on the school site.

We are now planning the face-to-face sessions for Y10 & 12, alongside the continual evolution of the on-line learning. Our priority remains doing the very best we can for all year groups. Though the return to school this week was only for some, it was a start and it felt good. In the words of Lao Tzu from the 6th Century BC "a journey of a thousand-miles begins with a single step". We were just sorry we can't yet see everyone.

