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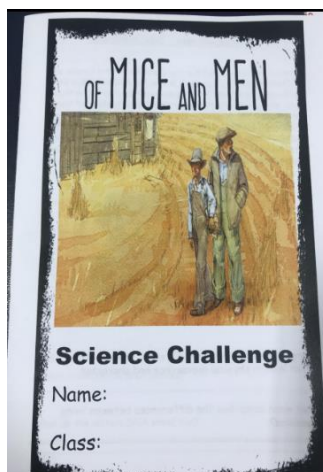
Thought of the Week:

“Success is the sum of all efforts, repeated day in, day out”

Success gives us confidence and adds to our motivation to continue. However this effort must be maintained day in, day out. Successful people are motivated and continue to work hard every day to achieve their goal; they give their best and they are not afraid to fail. It is important that you understand that success at anything is not always easy, there will be times when you must dig deep to achieve. There will be times when you want to give up, however successful people take a rest and then try again and again until eventually they succeed. We can all be successful if we put in the preparation and hard work and have a positive mind-set.

Other news:

This week Mrs Wells has launched this half terms science challenges. Your science challenge for this half term looks at some of the science in "Of Mice and Men". Mrs Wells will be awarding 15 points for completed challenges. There will also be a prize for the best one.





9 Yellow- Mrs Wells

Well done to you all, since September, as a group we have achieved 7316 positive points, this is fantastic. In the lead for 9 Yellow is Jake Fisher with 657 positive points, followed by Caitlan Garbett in second place with 577 points.

Well done to everyone who has been completing their reading challenges, these have been really adding to our points this half term. It has been fantastic to see some of you achieving bronze awards, it will be great if everyone can achieve this by Christmas.

Keep working hard and you will achieve!



9 Green- Mr Boon.

This last fortnight has been full of lots of great accomplishments, Beth has achieved a grand total of 578 positive behaviour points for the year so far, in no small part due to her enthusiasm with the reading challenges. This shows how important these challenges are in both boosting our positive points and developing our reading and vocabulary skills.

Hot on her heels is Courtney with 575 points, again, due in a large part to engagement with reading challenges.

I would like to see a more 9 Green demonstrating their own initiative in respect to the reading challenges. Mr Newman is always happy to help students who want to

further their development of vocabulary and reading is a brilliant way to achieve that.

Let's keep pushing ourselves to be the highest achieving Year 9 form, all of the year 9 forms are high achievers so this is no mean feat, however, it is certainly something that is within our capacity to do.



Mr Lockett- 9 Blue

An amazing amount of students have been getting involved in the reading challenges. All the points you have been accumulating from them have almost got us in 9 Blue concerned - major emphasis on almost.

Fantastic work by all members of 9 Blue who have managed to achieve their bronze award. Let's see who can get the first silver!

Finally, a HUGE shout out to everyone for getting involved in Anti-Bullying Week and especially Olivia and Charley from 9 Blue for the creation of our poster!



9 Purple Miss Wakeham

I wanted to take this opportunity for year 9 pupils to have a go at the regional Virtual Football Skills Competition. I recommend that students perform the 5 challenges in a circuit during their P.E lessons, or you could have a go in your back garden at home! There are 5 separate challenges which you can have a go at:

Challenge 1- Toe Taps

To set this game up you just need 1 football.

The player performs as many toe taps on a football as they can in 30 seconds. This is where a player puts the sole of their foot on top of the ball, alternatively swapping feet as quickly as they can. The number of times they can touch the ball in 30 seconds will be their score.

Game 2 – Keepy Uppies

Players have three attempts at doing as many keepy uppies as they can. This is trying to keep the ball in the air using any body parts except their hands. Every touch of the ball without the ball touching the ground scores 1 point. Add all three attempts together.

Game 3 – Dribble Slalom

To set this game up place 2 cones 10 metres apart and put 4 cones in the middle of the 10 metres, each 1 metre apart.

Players dribble the 10 metres slaloming in and out of the cones. Each time they get through the cones and to the other end they score 2 points. Players have 1 minute to score as many points as they can.

Game 4 – Step overs

To set this game up you will require 1 football.

Players perform as many step-overs over the football as they can in 1 minute using both feet.

Game 5 – Control and Shoot

To set up this game you need a football and to create a 3 metre by 3 metre square and a 2 metre wide goal 8 metres from the square. You also need someone to help.

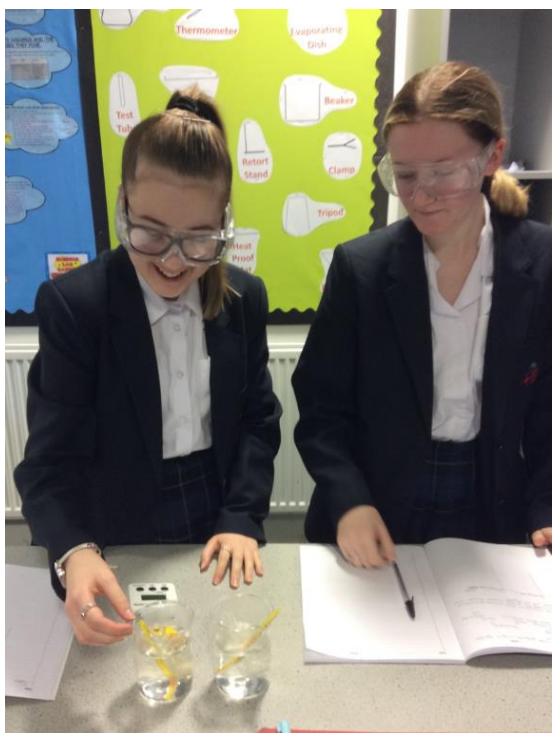
Player stands in the box and assistant rolls the player the ball from 4 metres away. Player has to control the ball and keep the ball in the box and then score in the goal. Player scores 1 point if they can control the ball in the box and 1 point if they score in the goal. Players have 5 attempts so top score would be 10 points.

Results

Once you have added up your results please return them to the P.E department.
GOOD LUCK!

Other Year 9 Successes

Year 9 showcasing their practical abilities in Physical Education team-building activities and scientific skills.



Alyssa Read and Rubi Dee Shaughnessy conducting experiments in Chemistry.



Hayden Goacher demonstrating his practical skills in Chemistry



Decisions about which option to take in Team-building by the Year 9 girls Eva Bailey, Casey Bower, Caitlin Garbett, Alyssa Read and Emma Farmer.

Fundraising in the Academy:

Miss Jones would like all staff and students to be involved with a reverse advent calendar! The idea of the event is that each tutor group will produce a box to donate to a local foodbank. Each day during December students and staff will bring in items from our list to add to the boxes. All students and staff would only need to bring in one item each on a particular day. We aim to collect items to produce a box from every tutor group and department in the academy. The boxes will then be distributed out to those in the community who need it most.

The Classcharts shop is now open and students are able to log in and claim rewards for their points. The student council will be able to suggest new rewards so it is important to share your ideas with your form reps. The new milestone awards are also live, it was nice to announce in assembly that so many Year 9 students have already received their Bronze Award (200 positive points). I want to see more of our students move beyond 200 points and onto the next milestone of 500 points to gain the silver award.

Remember to keep up to date and follow the academy on social media. We will ensure that all students, parents and families are informed of any decisions and procedures the academy takes regarding Covid-19.

Finally, I hope you are all staying safe Stay safe!.

Best wishes

Mr. Porter.