# THE KEY STAGE 3 POST

#### This Week's Message... A quick mesage from your Head of Year Dear Students, Parents/Guardians,

There are many times in my career when I felt a great sense of pride in what I do and the school community of which we are all a part of. Students continue to impress me academically and through personal achievements based on core values developed at St John's and I am never lacking in examples of when students have shown incredible empathy towards their peers or to the outside community.

An example of this happened today when using The Covid 19 Testing Facility for key workers at Ebbsfleet International. The weather conditions outside were miserable and the work was very repetitive with 1000s of tests a day. As I get to the front of the queue, I noticed one member of staff that despite the rain, the long hours and the stresses that everyone is facing at this difficult time, welcomed each car with a smile and tried to make everyone feel at ease. It was at this point I realised that the person was an ex-student of St John's showing "Service to Others" by being on the front-line helping her local community in the fight against coronavirus.

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Her ability to show resilience in the face of a national crisis and her strength of character by show-

ing respect to others at a time when she might have been forgiven for looking distant, is a wonderful reminder of the unique atmosphere at St John's built on strong Catholic values, one which I am extremely proud of.

I would like you all to reflect on your own character this week. Would you be

able to show respect and resilience when things get tough? Would you be able to display "service to others" during difficult times? Are you willing to help at home during the lock-down? If the answer is yes, I would love you to email me examples of how you are showing "service to others" perhaps for a brother/sister or parents /guardians.

Stay Safe Everyone,

Mr Magee and the Whole Year 9 Team.

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### Why not try this week..

Your own home Illustration

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Art

Well done to you all, keep up the good work!

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# This week's home sha

Brianna's annotations in preparation for GCSE English highlight the importance of home learning and the positive impact it can have on GCSE subjects in the next couple of years. The whole year 9 team were very impressed with the time and effort Brianna has invested in her English studies and we hope that she continues this effort for the rest of lock-down, as well as when she returns to St John's in the future.

## Don't forget!

Parents please email any images to your child's Year Leader to have an opportunity of appearing in next week's issue! For safeguarding reasons, this must come from the email address the school has on the system! Bringing the community back together...

### "We have learnt that amid the fear, there is also community, support and hope!"

# Well-being Tasks

"Don't watch the clock: do what it does. Keep going." Sam Levenson

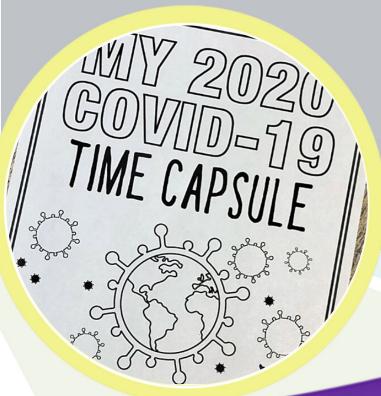
How will you remember 2020, the year that changed the world? Make a time capsule to look hack at your experiences in our living history.

This week's well-being task is one that we are excited about! Attached to your Show My Homework task will be a booklet that you can print. You can use this to start documenting how you are experiencing this lock-down.

In years to come we will all turn to these pages and reflect with family and friends on what a monumental event this was and how it changed the world.

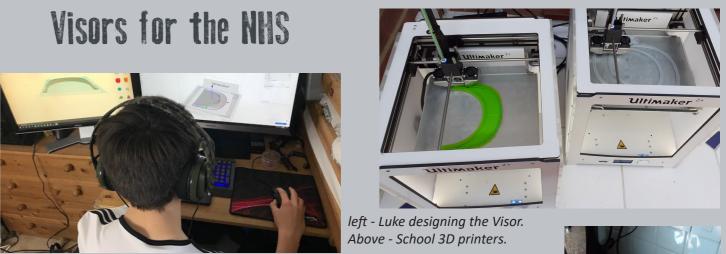
Really take the time to appreciate what is going on around you!







A video to support our theme this week! https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5e6VriahPsQ



Luke H (9EM) has been designing a visor for the NHS to mass produce on the 3D printers at his father's laboratory at UCL. What an amazing achievement and contribution he is making to the NHS! The school have started to use its donated 3D printers from UCL to produce visors with Luke's design. You can see a finished result to the bottom right. The school have already been making face shields for the Ellenor hospice and are looking to expand its operations. If you work or know anyone who works in any local care homes that are in need of this PPE, then please do contact the school and we will do our utmost to try and provide, subject to materials.

#### This Week's Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, you taught us to love our neighbour, and to care for those in need as if we were caring for you. In this time of anxiety, give us strength to comfort the fearful, to tend the sick, and to assure the isolated of our love, and your love, for your name's sake. Amen.



Right - A completed school Visor

## Bringing the community back together ...