Ivybridge Community College Year 11 Weekly Bulletin



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COVID 19 Update

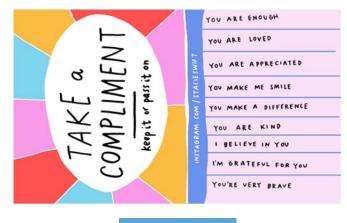
As proposals for school reopening are being reported in the media, there is still no update on when schools will reopen (and in what form), but it is looking to be no sooner than after the May half-term. You are currently in good company, though; three quarters of the world's school children live in countries where schools are currently shut. There is no blueprint for the best way to manage their return and our government is currently engaged in a very difficult risk-balancing exercise, slowing the spread of the virus but mitigating the costs, among other things, to children's development and the economy. Rest assured that the College will be ready when we get the go-ahead, and we will do our very best to support anyone who has difficulties with this transition.

With St George's Day on 23 April passing by with little celebration in the media, I hope you take some time to reflect on the 75th anniversary of VE Day this Friday, 8 May, it is important not to forget such moments in history when we are faced with other challenges.



Wellbeing

This week, Mrs Ryder would like you to think about being kind to others, with the goal being to give as many compliments as you can! You could use some of the ones in the image to the right.





Home Learning

Tutor Email Your Tutors are currently writing a testimonial about each one of you. This is a positive account of you; including your achievements, your qualities and characteristics. This will be given to prospective employers or educational establishments to support any applications you may make in the future. It is vital that they have the best, most detailed and recent information to draw upon, to show you in the best light. To help with this they have emailed you a questionnaire they would like you to complete and return to them. Please return this as soon as possible.

Eton X

A huge thank you to those of you have registered an interest in Eton X, you will receive further information on how to get started on Monday.

Opportunity with UCSD

This is an annual event, normally held at UCSD, however due to the current circumstances this will run as a virtual event, through Microsoft Teams. It is a great opportunity to watch and listen to a university lecturer and our current university students discuss their research on many areas of interest. We now have at least 19 members of staff and students presenting throughout next week.

To view the schedule and register for any of these free webinars: <u>https://www.ucsd.ac.uk/events/ucsd-research-showcase/</u>.

Life's Big Questions

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Do you ever sit and consider the big questions in life? Oxford University have created a site which allows you to explore exactly that. Click on the link to find out more. <u>https://oxplore.org</u>,

Competition



Ivybridge Community College LRC are taking part in The 2.6 Challenge!

e challenge you to read for 26 minutes straight and see how many pages you complete! Then donate and nominate! We're raising money for **Read for Good** — a charity that provides areat new reading books for children in hospital.

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/ivybridgecommunity-college-lrcs-26-challenge

It's all for Read for Good who supply books and storytellers for children in hospitals. £50 will buy a trolley full of brand-new books for those in need.

We'll be fundraising for as long as we're in Lockdown, so we'd love to see how much we can raise! Team LRC

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