

LIVINGSTONE LOG



Thinking outside the box!



Hello from Livingstone House

So, back to school for some of you year 10s this week! Having walked around the Humanities area the rooms are arranged with just 8 desks and no equipment can be given out – for obvious reasons, so please make sure you bring your own pens, pencils, rulers, calculators etc. Years 7 – 9 are still working remotely, but please remember to ask for help when you need it and do your best to keep up with the work set. We are here to help if you need it.

Its been nice to talk to some of you on the phone and hear what you've been up to. I am still running and walking lots. I'm even starting to think about the decorating I might do this summer holiday.

Just a reminder that this coming Sunday is Father's Day, so don't forget to do something nice for the Father figures in your life.



Birthdays this week

Webb, Sam	15/06	LLU
Montaque, Tori	17/06	LLU
Ruck, Colette	17/06	LLT
Scott, Monty	19/06	LLR
Gallear, Matthew	20/06	LRS

Hope all of you have a very happy birthday.



House News

Most of your tutors will have phoned to speak to you. Please tell them what you have found manageable about working and living in lockdown, but also what has been a challenge. In the weeks that follow they may either ring again, or follow up with an email, so please be sure to reply to them. If your tutor has not rung, they might have missed you. Please email them with when and what number to ring.



We seem to have reached an impasse on our 2:6 Challenge. The **St Michael's hospice really needs your support**. If we were in school, you would have had a **non-uniform day, and bake sales** along with **sports day ice creams** that would have raised money for our school charity. **If everyone in Livingstone donated just £1 each, we could easily meet our £250 target**. Please support us if you can by going to the JustGiving page for Livingstone House.

www.justgiving.com/fundraising/bhbs-livingstone-house where you can donate. Let's show our support for St Michael's hospice, just like we would if we were having a non-uniform day or a bake sale.

As their website says, "**As a charity we need to raise over £4million a year** to ensure we can continue to provide this care and support for free. **90% of this funding comes from our local community** through donations and fundraising events. **We really value your support.**"

Let's continue to show our support Livingstone House. Thank you.

Quiz



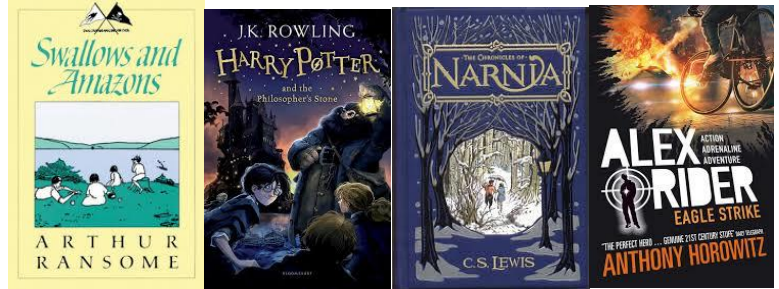
Can you recognise these two classrooms? What are their room numbers and which teachers use them as their base?

Just in case you were really missing being in school!



Assembly corner

One of shops I am most looking forward to being able to go in to, once they are fully open, is Waterstones. Now I realise that may not be the same for most of you, but as a book lover, I have always loved book shops. The quietness, the smell of the paper, the choice, even the colour all give me a sense of excitement about finding out things I didn't know, or reading about lives that will enrich my own. There is something about getting lost in a story that can transport you away from the things that are going on in your own life.



But how do you choose your new book? I have to say I am dreadful for making a first decision based on the cover. Then, I might turn it over and read the blurb on the back. Sometimes I'll put a book back because it doesn't seem to attract my attention. But what if the inside was much more exciting than the cover made me think? Have I missed something amazing by judging on first impressions!

Thinking about all the issues in the news over the last couple of weeks about Black Lives Matter and issues surrounding equality made me think about how all of us tend to judge on appearance, even without meaning too. For sighted people, a visual element is often the first impression we ever get. We may change our minds as we get to know more about people, but an initial judgement is always made.

In the Bible, Galatians, Chapter 3, verse 28 says, "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male or female, for you are all one in Jesus Christ." We should try to see beyond the surface!

Dear God,

Help us to be more like you and not judge people by the way they look.

Help us to treat people who are different in size, shape, age, ethnicity, religion or any other difference with respect. Help us to not be taken in by outward appearance but to consider the real person.

Amen.