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Norlington 6th Form Newsletter – Edition 2

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Dear Year 12 and 13,

Two weeks have gone by since you experienced school closure and perhaps some new routines are beginning to settle in. Although it's sad that school ended the way it did across the nation (and almost everywhere, overseas, too), the priority is keeping safe, staying at home and protecting the NHS, so it can cope with the numbers requiring treatment. This means it is **extremely** important for you to stick to the government guidance: wash hands regularly, one outside period of exercise per day, and 2 metres distance between you and the next person outside (who isn't in your household).



This week, Norlington School and 6th Form donated all of our science lab goggles to local NHS staff on the front-line fighting the coronavirus!

On a positive note, this unprecedented period provides an opportunity for using the time to develop yourself - learn a new skill such as cooking, read some books, watch some classic films rather than what you usually might watch, listen to interesting podcasts, complete an [online course](#) that interests you. Try to avoid letting the time slip away, so when someone asks, 'What did you do during the closure?' you have an interesting response. Year 12 take note - we've provided some super-curricular ideas with this newsletter. Year 13 can also research what's on their chosen degree course and start learning the areas which interest you most. I've already been contacted by a university stating that they are keen that Year 13 continue to study so they are ready when they begin university.

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COLLECTION

Courses for Keeping Busy During Social Distancing and Isolation

The coronavirus pandemic means many of us are social distancing or living in isolation. These courses will keep your mind active, inspire you to stay busy, and broaden your mind and skill set whilst isolating at home.



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Accessing School Work

Norlington Portal is the main platform for accessing school work from your subject teachers. Please log in regularly. We are aware that some teachers are also using **Google Classroom**, **Moodle** and **Twitter** to post work to you. If you have any difficulties accessing school work, please email me and your subject teachers.

Latest information from the Department of Education

Today, the Government have released further guidance on how A Level grades will be calculated, and this can be read [HERE](#) .

You can also read a letter from Ofqual which has been written to all A Level students who were due to sit exam this summer [HERE](#) .

TV Quiz – answers in the next edition!





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Theatre filmed live and broadcast on Youtube every Thursday at 7pm. You can still watch it, if you missed it.



One Man, Two Guvnors

Featuring a Tony Award-winning performance from **James Corden** as Francis Henshall in this hilarious West End and Broadway hit.

Streaming from 7pm on Thursday 2 April.
Available until 9 April.

[Find out more on YouTube](#)



Jane Eyre

This bold and innovative reimagining of **Charlotte Brontë's** masterpiece uncovers one woman's fight for freedom and fulfilment on her own terms.

Streaming from 7pm on Thursday 9 April.
Available until 16 April.



Treasure Island

Robert Louis Stevenson's story of murder, money and mutiny is brought to life in this thrilling stage adaptation. Featuring **Arthur Darvill** as Long John Silver.

Streaming from 7pm on Thursday 16 April.
Available until 23 April.



Here's a trailer of the comedy 'One man, Two Guvnors'

[Click for trailer](#)



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6th Form Bursary Payments

Bursary payments will still be made each month. Cheques will be posted to your home address. If you are currently staying at a different address, please let me know so we can post the cheque to an alternative address.

Apprenticeships

Apprenticeships are still being advertised and applications are still happening. Utilise this time to research and apply for some amazing apprenticeships.

The link below is for a Degree Apprenticeship with Amazon in Software Development. Check it out if it is of interest:

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000005988>

You can also start your apprenticeship search here:

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeshipsearch>

Uptree opportunity

On **Friday 17th April** between **11am-12pm**, Facebook are holding an Apprentice Panel & Application Masterclass Online.

This session will be useful for any student that is interested in the tech industry or who is considering applying for [Facebook's Software Engineering Apprenticeship](#).

The agenda for the session is as follows:

- Panel talk with current apprentices, graduates & professionals
- Q&A session
- Insider advice for Facebook application process
- Top tips and tailored help for your application

Interested students can register online [here](#).



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Useful links to support your Health & Wellbeing

Physical Activities:

<https://www.sportengland.org/stayinworkout>

Joe Wicks - 9am every morning on his YouTube account:

<https://www.youtube.com/user>

Mindfulness and Meditation:

[https://www.ted.com/talks/andy_puddicombe_all_it_takes_is_10_mindful_min
utes](https://www.ted.com/talks/andy_puddicombe_all_it_takes_is_10_mindful_minutes)

<https://www.headspace.com>

Mental Health Support:

Young Minds: <https://youngminds.org.uk>

Kooth: <https://www.kooth.com>



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IDEAS #Stayathome

While you have time at home- think about trying a new cultural pursuit online. If we #Stayathome, the entertainment and learning can stream into our home instead. Lots of online services have enabled free access-take advantage of this unexpected opportunity.

Watch a Play

National Theatre Live will screen a NT Play every Thursday at 7pm. They will be available to screen for the following 7 weeks. It started on 2nd April with James Corden in One Man Two Guvnors [LINK](#). The Royal Shakespeare Company has free full length broadcasts here [LINK](#)

Watch a Ballet

Every Friday at 7pm a full-length ballet will be broadcast by the Royal Opera House [LINK](#) This week begins with Peter and the Wolf [LINK](#)

Discover a new City or Culture

Explore the world's greatest landmarks, culture and arts with Goole Arts and Culture [LINK](#)

Virtual Tour

Here are 12 of the world's greatest museums and galleries [LINK](#)

Explore London

All our best Museums and Galleries from Home [Museums LINK](#) [Galleries LINK](#)

Have you ever tried Opera?

The Met Opera in New York have nightly broadcasts of World-class performances [LINK](#) Glyndebourne Opera is in East Sussex [LINK](#)



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Live Classical Music

Chamber music from around the world [LINK](#) Berlin Philharmonic [LINK](#)

Speak another Language

Learn a language for free [HERE](#)

Languages

Try a Short University Courses from around the world [LINK](#)

SUPER-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Year 12: For your personal statement

But most of all because you are curious and enjoy learning.

ATTEND A VIRTUAL LECTURE

Gresham College records all of its high-quality lecture programme [LINK](#)

MASSOLIT works with academics from the world's best universities to produce high-quality videos - [details](#)

LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS (LSE) FREE LECTURES - [details](#)

Free Lecture programme and podcasts.

FUTURELEARN (MOOC) - [details](#)

A range of short online courses to deepen subject knowledge through this amazing MOOC site (Massive Open Online Community). Very useful for stretch and challenge and a students' personal statements. Free to access and complete each course though there is an optional payment for a certificate.



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UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK PODCASTS

A wide range of podcasts from politics to engineering - [details](#)

MATHEMATICS FOR NATURAL SCIENCES WORKBOOK (UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE)

PDF document to download full of maths problems - provided by Faculty of Mathematics - [details](#)

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD - 'EXPLORE YOUR SUBJECT'

Explore the resources or select a subject area such as Humanities or Social Sciences, followed by a specific subject (Classics, English, etc.) - [details](#)

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD READING BANK

A very attractively designed list of books to read with reviews and YouTube clips - [details](#)

MILLENIUM MATHEMATICS PROJECT

University of Cambridge provide this helpful site with ideas to explore mathematics in greater depth - [details](#)

TEDTALKS

Great entry level strategy as students can simply search by theme and then watch a video - [details](#)

RADIO 4 PODCASTS - BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS

'Bottom Line' huge array of topics. 30 mins podcast with 2-3 people interviewed on a business theme - [details](#)



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RADIO 4 PODCASTS - LAW

'Law In Action' - lots of podcasts on law theme - [details](#)

RADIO 4 PODCASTS - PSYCHOLOGY

'All In The Mind' - huge array of podcasts for those interested in psychology - [details](#)

RADIO 4 PODCASTS - MATHEMATICS

'More or less; behind the statistics' - themed podcasts which debunks statistics in the news by exploring the evidence - [details](#)

RADIO 4 PODCASTS - POLITICS

'Political thinking with Nick Robinson' - political journalist, Nick Robinson, explores various themes - [details](#)

RADIO 4 PODCASTS - POLITICS

'Yesterday in Parliament' - kind of obvious really but great for politics students to keep up-to-date - [details](#)

RADIO 4 PODCASTS - NATURAL SCIENCES

'Inside Science' - obvious theme - great for science students. Might be some good ideas for EPQ perhaps - [details](#)

RADIO 4 PODCASTS - PHILOSOPHY

'Moral Maze' - Accessible discussion about morality. Might be some good ideas for EPQ perhaps - [details](#)



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RADIO 4 PODCASTS - PHILOSOPHY

'The Public Philosopher' - Harvard philosopher Michael Sandel examines the thinking behind a current controversy - [details](#)

RADIO 4 PODCASTS - SOCIOLOGY

'Thinking Allowed' - Professor of Sociology addresses various themes and new sociological research - [details](#)

RADIO 4 PODCASTS - SCIENCE

'Life Scientific' - Accessible interviews of scientists on current themes and new research - [details](#)

RADIO 4 PODCASTS - SCIENCE

'Putting Science to Work' - scientists work out how science can best be put to work to solve a pressing problem facing society - [details](#)

RADIO 4 PODCASTS - HISTORY

'The Long View' - stories from the past are compared with current events. - [details](#)

RADIO 4 PODCASTS - GEOGRAPHY

'Costing the Earth' - fresh ideas from the sharpest minds working toward a cleaner, greener planet - [details](#)

RADIO 4 PODCASTS - COMPUTING AND TECHNOLOGY

'Computing Britain' - 75 years of UK computing history in developing the technologies we rely on today - [details](#)



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RADIO 4 PODCASTS - ART (includes painters and playwrights)

'Only artists' - two artists talk about their creative work - the conversation is free-flowing. Choose the pair talking - [details](#)

Thought of the Week

...and then the whole world
walked inside and shut their doors
and said we will stop it all. everything.
to protect our weaker ones
our sicker ones. our older ones.
and nothing. nothing in the history of humankind
ever felt more like love than this.

That's it for this week! Watch out for the next newsletter on Friday 10th April.

Stay safe, Stay well, Stay home