

The James Young High School

Virtual School eBulletin 27 March 2020

With our school currently being closed to students, although they won't be able to walk down the corridors, we'll still be offering ongoing support for students' learning.

We have created a Virtual School using Glow and Microsoft Teams where students can access their learning at anytime, anywhere on any device.

We will communicate with students via Glow and Teams and we will continue to communicate with parents via Groupcall and the school website and Twitter account **@jamesyounghs** – *please regularly check for updates*.

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I. Accessing Virtual School

Our Virtual School is an internet-based learning environment which aims to provide ongoing support for students' education despite the challenges presented by the outbreak of Covid-19.

Our Virtual school is built on Glow and Teams.

All students should have their Glow username and password. If any student doesn't know their login or has forgotten their password, they can contact the DHT Team on the email below.

- Miss McTiernan <u>clare.mctiernan@westlothian.org.uk</u> (S4 and S5)
- Mrs Russell evelyn.russell@westlothian.org.uk (SI and S3)
- Mr Henderson graham.henderson@westlothian.org.uk (S2 and S6)

Logging into Glow

Glow is accessed on the website **glow.rmunify.com**

| Sign In | | @Glo | owScot Tweets |
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| Username or Email Address Password | @glow | | Education Scotland @EducationScot - 24 Mar, 05:26 pm We have collated a broad range of online resources for all practitioners who are planning remote learning opportuni https://t.co/aJJJFLUOCyB Expand |
| Remember my username Sign in Forgotten your password? - Need A Glow Login? | | | Glow Scot @GlowScot · 19 Mar, 04:00 pm Glow is the national online learning environment which is freely available to all learners and teachers in Scotland <u>https://t.co/WWXU9PNBax</u> Expand |
| Only Glow users are allowed to access this service. If you do not have a Glow username and password then you may be committing an offence by trying to gain access to this service. Find out more about Glow | | | Inverbrothock PS @InverbrothPS - 11 Mar, 09:58 am We have arrived! @KinrossPrimaryS so excited to hear al of the presentations <u>#itm20 @GlovScot</u> @PrometheanUKI https://t.co/bws6MEySV8 Exand |

Usernames are in the format: wl<first letter of forename> <surname>

e.g. wlghenderson

Your glow email address is:

wl<first letter of forename> <surname>@glow.sch.uk

Accessing Learning Material

Mrs Muirhead sent out a detailed Sway file via Groupcall highlighting how to access learning areas on Glow and Teams. If you haven't received this, let us and know.

2. Communication

Your child's House Head continues to be your first point of contact regarding any issue specific to your child.

House Heads will pass on information to teachers, partner agencies and/or relevant members of the Senior Leadership Team as appropriate. House Heads will be managing their pupil caseload digitally and communication with them by you and students is welcomed. House Heads will access e-mail accounts on a daily basis and will make every effort to action them on as soon as they can.

| House | Personal | House Head | Email |
|--------|----------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| | Support | | |
| | Classes | | |
| Jura | A and B | Ms Sheila Colthart | Sheila.colthart@westlothian.org.uk |
| Yell | C and D | Mrs Gillain Pirie | Gillian.piriel@westlothian.org.uk |
| Harris | E and F | Mrs Evelyn Russell (DHT) | Evelyn.russell@westlothian.org.uk |
| Skye | G and H | Mr Peter Caddick | Peter.caddick@westlothian.org.uk |

3. Senior Phase Announcements

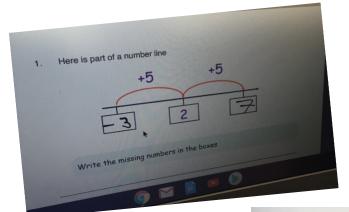
Updates from SQA and UCAS have been communicated by Groupcall. We will be in touch as soon as any new information is communicated with us.

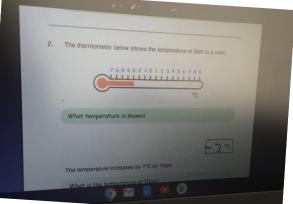
4. Learning Highlights for the W/C 23 March 2020

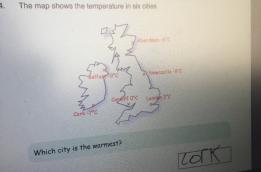
The engagement by our students in their new learning environment has been fantastic and we thank you for your support in making this happen. Our learning community has very much stuck together this week and demonstrated excellent resilience to ensure that effective learning and teaching is still taking place.

Here are some examples of learning activities and work our students have been taken part in:

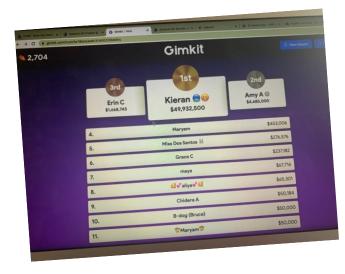
Work on negative numbers in maths, where students have communicated responses to their teacher on Teams. They got instant feedback on their responses.







In languages, S1 students have been competing against each other in learning tasks on an app called Gimkit. This has been designed by their teacher to develop their language vocabulary and is an interactive activity all members of the class take part in from their own homes. Students compete to gain 1st, 2nd and 3rd place as they can all see the live scoreboard on the app.





Students in Science have been working on a range of activities including research the uses of plants and medicines and sending in their work to their teacher as information leaflet or poster. Here is one S3 example.



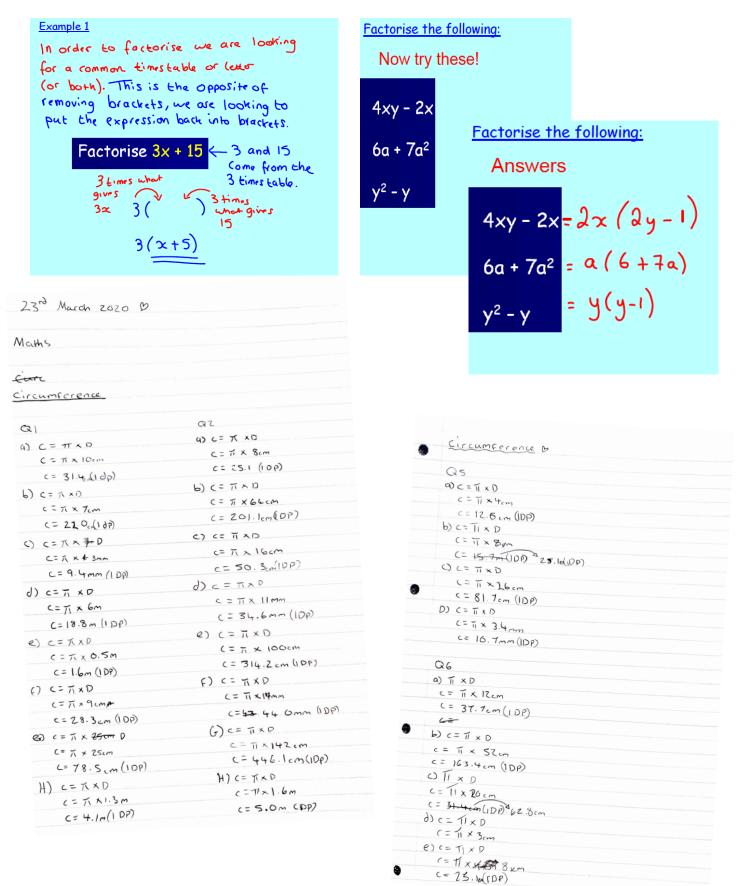
Quality feedback to ensure progress in learning is essential in everything that we do and this will continue with Virtual School.

Students in Computing have uploaded their creations for their class and teacher to view.



Teachers are able to use many of their normal teaching resources and students are uploading work for their teacher to look at. Here is an example from a maths lesson on Factorising.

The teacher interactively explains what the purpose of learning is using Teams and then students upload work for feedback.



Teachers are continuing to provide assignments and additional learning activities for students to submit in a variety of ways. One example if this is a Microsoft Forms based activity Biology set their National 5 students.

| Reply | General N5 Bio 19-20 | <u> </u> | K.A. 2.2a Control & Communication - Nervous Control (Copy) | |
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| Assign | nments | | Hi Graham, when you submit this form, the owner will be able to see your name and email address. | |
| 26 Mar, 11:54 | | | * Required | |
| Due Apr 02 | & Communication - Nervous Co | s Control | 1. The central nervous system (CNS) consists of: * (1) (1 Point) | |
| View assignment | | | O Brain & Spinal Cord | |
| | | | O Brain & Spine | |
| | | | O Brain & Heart | |
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| | | | 2. The diagram represents the human brain. Which option identifies structures | |

This is small selection of the learning activities that have been taking place this week. We look forward to sharing more with you.

Wishing you and your family a safe and restful weekend.

JYHS Senior Leadership Team