

Week ending: 1st May 2020

"Your attitude, not your aptitude, will determine your altitude."

As we come to the end of week 6 of lock-down we are told that we have surpassed the first wave. However, at the moment it is our lock-down version of business as usual. As a school and a Trust we continue to review and reflect on our practices in light of the changing and evolving situation, with one eye on the light at the end of the tunnel. We will, of course communicate with all of the Bilton community as and when any situation changes, and decisions are taken.

Tim Chambers, Headteacher Bilton School

Your feedback on home learning

I regularly receive emails from parents who give really positive and supportively constructive feedback on our Home Learning strategy. This is most welcome and helps us tweak, amend and reflect on how can best keep supporting our learners as we navigate our way through this new educational landscape. A common theme has been that of the quantity of work that is being set, especially for Year 7 and 8 students. At times you report that students (and parents) are feeling a little over-whelmed, both to learn without that direct teacher input and students' ability to manage their time effectively. To this end we will endeavour to ease back on the volume of work within each set task and include optional additions where relevant, should some choose to complete more for a particular subject.

We will continue to monitor, review and amend as we go forward.

Let it grow

You may have seen on twitter recently that Bilton staff have been 'Spring' ing into action and encouraging some of our students to grow their own fruit and vegetables. We would really like to see and hear about any other gardening, outdoors and horticultural projects that you and your families might be undertaking during this time of year.

Please forward to office@biltonmail.com where we can see your creativity.

Victory in Europe Day (VE Day)



The 8th May 1945 was celebrated as Victory in Europe Day (VE Day). At 3pm, the British Prime Minister, Winston Churchill made a radio broadcast to the nation that the war in Europe had come to an end after Germany's surrender the day before. Whilst fighting in the Pacific and Japan continued until August, World War Two in Europe was over. This Friday 8th May, marks 75 years since this event and was due to be remembered around the country - although plans for celebrations have now had to change, we wanted to mark this anniversary at Bilton School.

Look out for the special tasks and activities from The History Department to commemorate this celebration.