



The School rooms and wards have been busy throughout the Spring and Summer terms. Please do take a moment to read about our wonderful pupils and how they have worked so hard on a wide variety of projects, always willing to give their best, despite the most difficult of circumstances.

As I write this piece, Covid is on the rise again which is proving extra challenging for these young people and their hospital staff. In the words of Theodore Roosevelt "Do what you can, with what you have, where you are."

We hope you enjoy our summer newsletter. Best wishes for a happy summer holiday.

Elaine & the School Team.

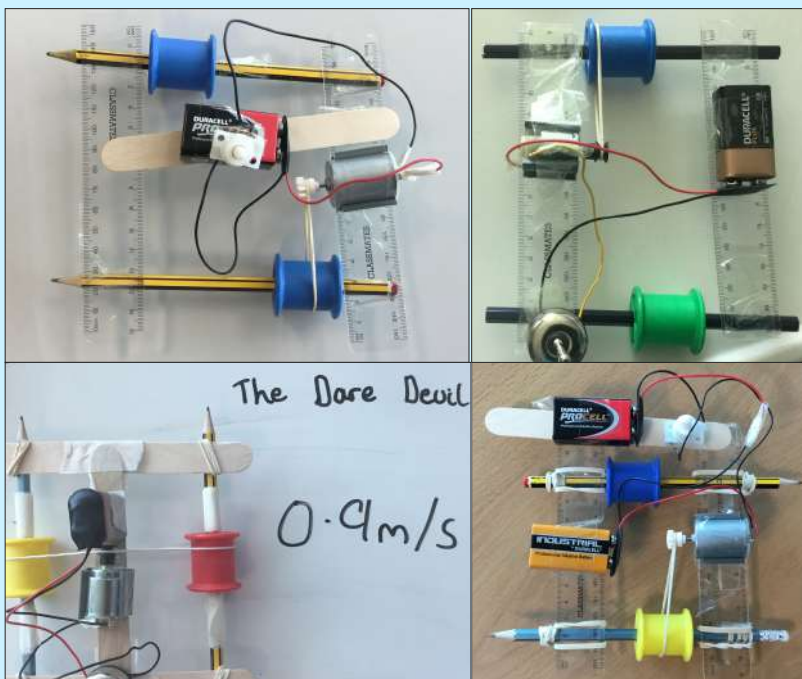
The 3D printer has been quite busy and there have been some very interesting designs created by some of the pupils on T11N where the rule book has been completely thrown out of the window and freestyle design has led to some really interesting creations.



Using the chords from Still D.R.E. Tahosin on T12 N worked with the City of London Sinfonia musicians; Ursula on bassoon and Adrian on electric guitar to create a different version. Move over Dr. Dre...

Quite a few Key Stage 3 pupils have taken part in the 'UCLH Elastic Band Racer Challenge' this term. The challenge is simple: use a range of household materials to build a car that can be powered by an electric motor. Congratulations must go to Lily, whose car 'The dare Devil' has, currently reached the fastest speed of 0.9m/s.

Only time will tell if anyone can better that speed in the Autumn term.



This Summer term, we have been very lucky to have had two objects on loan from the V&A museum: an elephant, and a rhino called Miss Clara. The young people had an opportunity to learn about the history of the objects, respond creatively, and share their work on our online community.



Since April, the T12 schoolroom has seen a huge rise in the number of dishes created from its "kitchen".

Barahm has a real love for cooking and he has shared that with us during his time here.

Both James and Jackie have really enjoyed creating exciting, oven free, dishes during the last few weeks.

There have been some cooking highs (e.g. Fifteens and a Chicken Wrap) and some cooking lows (e.g. Macaroni Cheese does not work in a Microwave!) but, throughout, lots of fun has been had by all involved.



This term has seen a real uptake in the use of our LEGO Spike Prime kit. This is where we bring LEGO together with computer coding to create a really wide range of different machines that all serve very different functions and can be programmed to develop a wide range of pupils programming skills.

We have seen Bikes, Break Dancers, Delivery Trucks and Brain games all made this term but, most importantly, we have seen lots of pupils really engage well with the kit and enjoy bringing the worlds of LEGO and Computing together.

At the end of March, we celebrated poetry week. Our theme was "Animals", and the young people produced an excellent array of poetry of which they should be very proud.

Everyone has enjoyed reading these wonderful poems. Some of our secondary pupils' entries were selected for a prize for our poetry competition: Samin, for Best Dramatic Performance, of a metaphor poem he wrote about a rhino, and Olivia for her kenning poem about a snake. Well done to all!

