## **Thorpe Life**

## **Excellence for all**



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LEARN TO STUDY USING...
Interleaving
SWITCH BETWEEN IDEAS WHILE YOU STUDY

## **Academic Curriculum**

Our "ARE" theme this week is "Engage". When we are praising students for engaging it is often because they are focused on their learning, trying to make learning stick,

completing a task to the best of their ability or attempting the tricky learning and not giving up!

This week subject areas have been talking about "Interleaving". Simply put, interleaving is a process where teachers or students mix, or interleave different topics while they study in order to improve their learning. In lessons it is often to review a key threshold topic to help students to access the learning in class. It can be a really useful home learning

approach too! You can talk to your children about what they learnt last term, ask them to find the Key Knowledge sheet on the Google Classroom and test them, to make sure that the learning has stuck! If you would like to read more and

find out how it helps embed learning into the long term memory click this link.

**Thorpe Reflects on Holocaust Memorial Day** As you will know from the past two issues of Thorpe Life, our school has been engaged with multiple activities across all key stages on the topic of Holocaust Memorial. It is so encouraging to see such sensitive engagement from our students, visibly shown with there now being a waiting list in the library to read Anne Frank's diary.

We asked our students to share any reflections they had. Whilst we cannot include them all, the overall tone is powerfully summarised by these reflections:

"...what makes me feel even worse is when people thought that it is a good thing that 6 million Jewish people died, that isn't including the other millions that got killed for the colour of their skin and disabilities. So I think that it is a very good thing to remember and to look back on how we can improve as people to not be so selfish and to stop things like this (The Holocaust) ever happening again."

"Ordinary people have a part in genocide, in keeping quiet, but also how it can be hard to do anything as we are "ordinary people" and it can be scary".

"It is important to remember what happened during the Holocaust because it was a very significant event and many people were discriminated and offended because of LGBTQ+ identity, race, religion and more. The Holocaust took place during World War II. Many people were put in a room and gassed, causing over 6,000,000 deaths. This is important to remember because we need to ensure nothing similar ever happens again."

Holocaust Memorial Day 2023 Theme:

ORDINARY PEOPLE

"We need to remember what happened in order to make sure that it doesn't happen again anytime in the future. If we remember how bad it was and we teach future generations the wrong doing that happened then they will not try to repeat the same thing. If they forget then, in the future they may repeat it again and we will do the same thing."

The final words come from Eli Wiesel who survived after being imprisoned in Buchenwald,. In his book 'Night' he reminds us of

why we should remember, and in an interview with Oprah Winfrey, he tells us how we can remember yet still live on.

"For the survivor who chooses to testify, it is clear: his duty is to bear witness for the dead and for the living ... To forget the dead would be akin to killing them a second time."

"What is abnormal is that I am normal. That I survived the Holocaust and went on to love beautiful girls, to talk, to write, to have toast and tea and live my life -- that is what is abnormal."

## **Year 11 Revision Guides**

Please click on this <u>link</u> for helpful tips and advice for the Year 11 Pre-Public Examinations.







We are trialling a **word of the week** so that students get a chance to achieve more positives by using the word in context throughout the week. It is a whole school activity from a list of 500 academic words researched as the key terms used across all subjects. Students will have to look the word up and then work out how to use it correctly. This week's word is:

Ambiguous

The following articles are available on our website.

To read these in full, please visit our website or click on the links/images below.

"THIS WORLD WOULD BE
A WHOLE LOT BETTER IF
WE JUST MADE AN
EFFORT TO BE LESS
HORRIBLE TO ONE
ANOTHER."

- Elliot Page -

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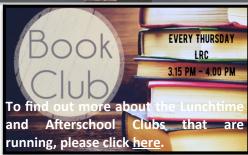
Apprenticeship Evening –
Thursday 9 February 2023 6pm to 8pm
Calling Parents and Carers

Do you want to learn more about apprenticeships and how they work? Come along to the Parents' Evening on Thursday 9 February 2023 and you will have the chance to find out what an apprenticeship is, the different levels of qualifications and the benefits to your young people. There will be a range of interactive and digital information available along with the chance to meet and speak with an apprentice ambassador who can share their own apprenticeship journey.



Pop Art and Mixed Media Experiments from our Tarties Department.





Year 12 Sports Leaders who organised, and ran a football tournament for Year 8 students from Wymondham High and ourselves





Cake bake sale to be held by the Year 10 Leaders on the Wednesday 8 February 2023 at lunchtime in the Year 10 Quad.



Another busy afternoon in the allotment, man hunt and drama in the woods, Duke of Edinburgh student starting their 3 month volunteer service, Year 7 making signs for their beds, ready for growing season.

**2023 COMPETITION NOW OPEN!** 



Young Fashion Designer UK

Please contact Mrs Lincoln via clincoln2kf@yare-edu.org.uk

Work placements needed for level 3 business students Can your company help train the next generation?

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**Wednesday 8 February 2023 -** Year 10 Bake Sale in aid of Teenage Cancer Trust

**Thursday 9 February 2023** - Year 11 Poetry Live Event at Norwich Theatre Royal

Year 10 Careers and Futures Evening 6.00pm to 8.00 pm North Site Monday 13 to Friday 17 February 2023 - Half Term

**Upcoming Careers Talks** 

Norfolk Wildlife Trust - Wednesday 22 February 2023 Taverham Vets - Thursday 2 March 2023 Check out <u>our website</u> for future dates.

