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## SCHOOL AIM

“To provide a Christian environment in which young people are safe, secure, cared for and happy, and are able to develop into articulate, confident and well-qualified citizens of the world.”



## Year 10 Exams

Our Year 10 students have been working hard with their studies and revision for the exams they have been sitting this half term. The mature and responsible attitude they have shown over the last few weeks has been commendable. Arrangements have been made so that there will be an opportunity for any students to catch up with these exams if they have missed them due to self-isolation.

The testing we have been carrying out in school is helping to break the chains of transmission of Covid-19 and we are following all guidance with regards to self-isolation if a student is identified as a close contact. We understand the challenges that parents face when they receive a self-isolation notification. We thank you for bearing with us on this and for your cooperation and support.

## Duke of Edinburgh's Award

The below photos were taken of our Duke of Edinburgh's Silver Award students during their expedition to the White Peaks from 10th-11th June. Students were assessed on skills such as leadership skills, navigational skills, tent set up and disassembly and cooking hot meals. Last weekend was the turn of our Bronze candidates. They can be seen on the opposite page as they prepared to head out for their overnight expedition to Edale.

Our thanks go to our Duke of Edinburgh's Award Coordinator, Mr Kirsten, and his team of staff for leading these expeditions.





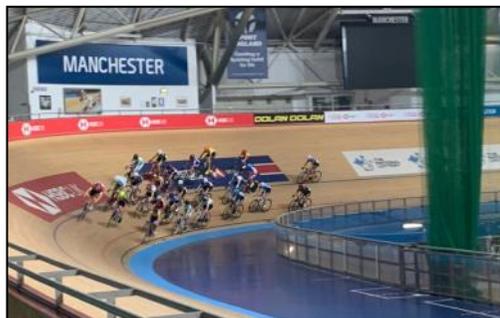
## **Cycling achievements**

Well done to Year 9 student, Florence, on her recent cycling event achievements. Since the end of the lockdown, Florence has been racing again for her club Sport City Velo on the road and on the track.

On the track, she completes at omniums (which comprises of a number of different races throughout the day) around the country and at Monday Night Track League at Manchester Velodrome.

On the road, Florence rides in the "No Nonsense" series in Yorkshire and also currently leads the North West Youth League (having competed in all four races in that series so far). She is also riding in the National Circuit Race Series races around the country.

Florence will be riding the British Cycling National Youth Circuit Race Championships on July 17th - good luck Florence!



## Sporting update

...last Friday, our Year 7 athletics team had a great afternoon at the Manchester Schools' PE Association athletics festival, with lots of superb performances and fun to be had by all involved!



Next week, we are looking forward to our Sports Day taking place!

It is scheduled to take place on Friday, 2nd July, at Sports City.

Look out for photos in a forthcoming newsletter!



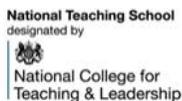
## And finally...

...today, we have issued lateral flow tests to all students to be taken home and carried out every 3-4 days. Please use these tests and notify us of any positive cases and register all results on the NHS website.

Thank you again for your cooperation with all our safety measures. We are in contact with Public Health Manchester to try and seek authority NOT to routinely send 'close contacts' home, but to conduct daily testing in school as an alternative.

I will update you as soon as possible about any developments.

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