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WEEKLY PARENTS' BULLETIN NO 27 – WEEK B

WEEK COMMENCING 3 rd May 2021	
Monday 3 rd May	BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY
Tuesday 4 th May	Year 11 Mini Assessments all week
Wednesday 5 th May	
Thursday 6 th May	Year 8 First Dose HPV & Year 9 Second Dose HPV vaccinations
Friday 7 th May	

Since returning to school since March 8, following a period of closure, it's been so pleasing to see students settle into familiar routines swiftly. One area we've been most pleased with has been attendance to school. Since March 8 attendance to school, in all year groups, has been significantly above the National Average, and above the average of similar schools in the South West. However, this week we have seen our attendance dip. We wanted to highlight the importance of maintaining strong attendance, and ask for your continued support, as we know too well that achievement and attendance are inextricably linked.

In addition, we urge parents to continue to help us by using Lateral Flow Tests at home with your children and communicate the results of the test routinely. Whilst still very low, positive cases are increasing in the Forest of Dean and we are keen to avoid any further disruption with periods of isolation as we head towards the summer months. A key part of avoiding disruption is to make sure that students and staff use the lateral flow tests provided by the school at home to identify asymptomatic positive cases without fail. In addition to taking the test please take the time to report the result to both the school and to the NHS.

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Congratulations to the following weekly winners of our attendance raffle for week ending 23rd April 2021:-

KS3 – Matthew T, 9AW

KS4 – Emily E, 10JB

We have seen a reduction in reporting of tests results as the weeks have gone on. This blog is really helpful in explaining why reporting the result is so important [why reporting your test result is as important as taking a test](#)

Our Year 11 students have done excellently this week tackling over half of their assessments which will go towards the evidence we weigh when deciding final grades. They have been focused and determined. Their final assessment will be completed at the end of next week and teachers will then begin the process of marking and standardising the grades. We wrote to you yesterday with information regarding the final 3 weeks for Year 11 and notified parents that their final school day would be Thursday 27th May. A copy of that letter can be found [here](#).

A few reminders of key dates:

- Thursday 13th May, Year 10 Parents Evening which will be held remotely over a programme called School Cloud. Parents have found the programme to be easy to use for more information please click [here](#).
- Friday 28th May will be an INSET day. Staff from The Dean Academy will be working with other schools from across The Athelstan Trust to moderate GCSE work. This will replace the INSET day on our calendar planned for 2nd July.

Wishing you a lovely bank holiday weekend.



Richard Brand

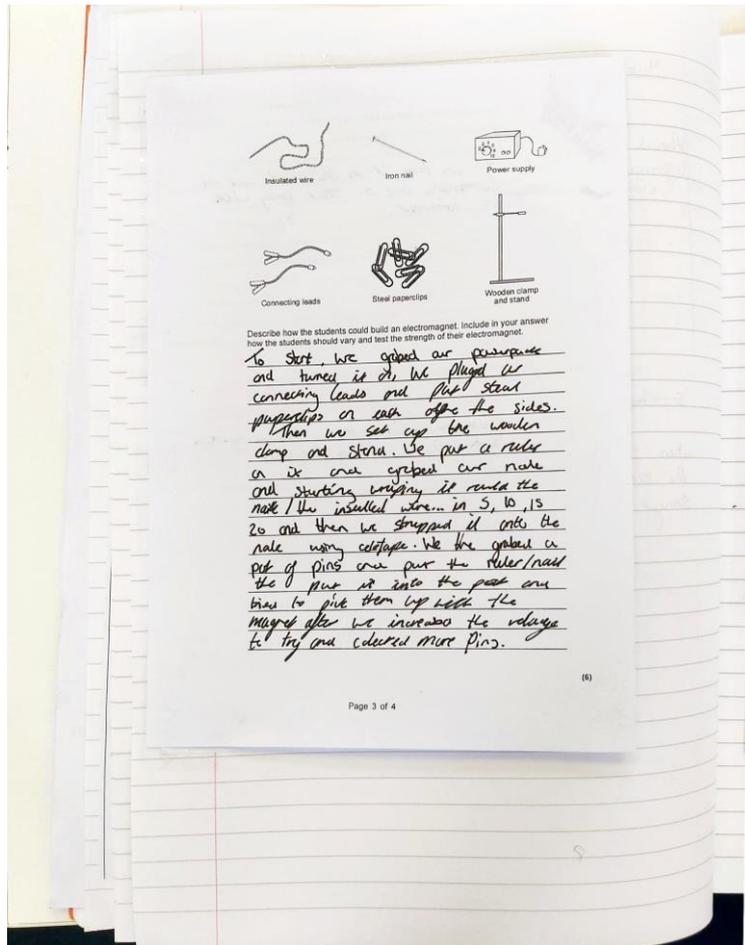
The Parents' Guide to Teaching your Teen Online Safety. This useful resource from Six Degree Media includes useful summaries of popular internet apps as well as the types of threats teens, could be exposed to online. <https://www.mytutor.co.uk/blog/the-parents-guide-to-teaching-your-teen-online-safety>

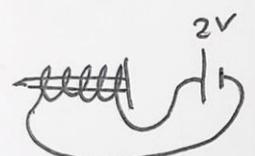
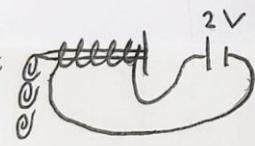
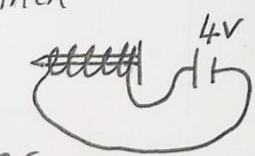
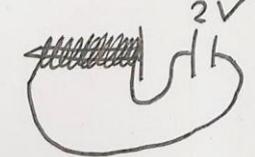
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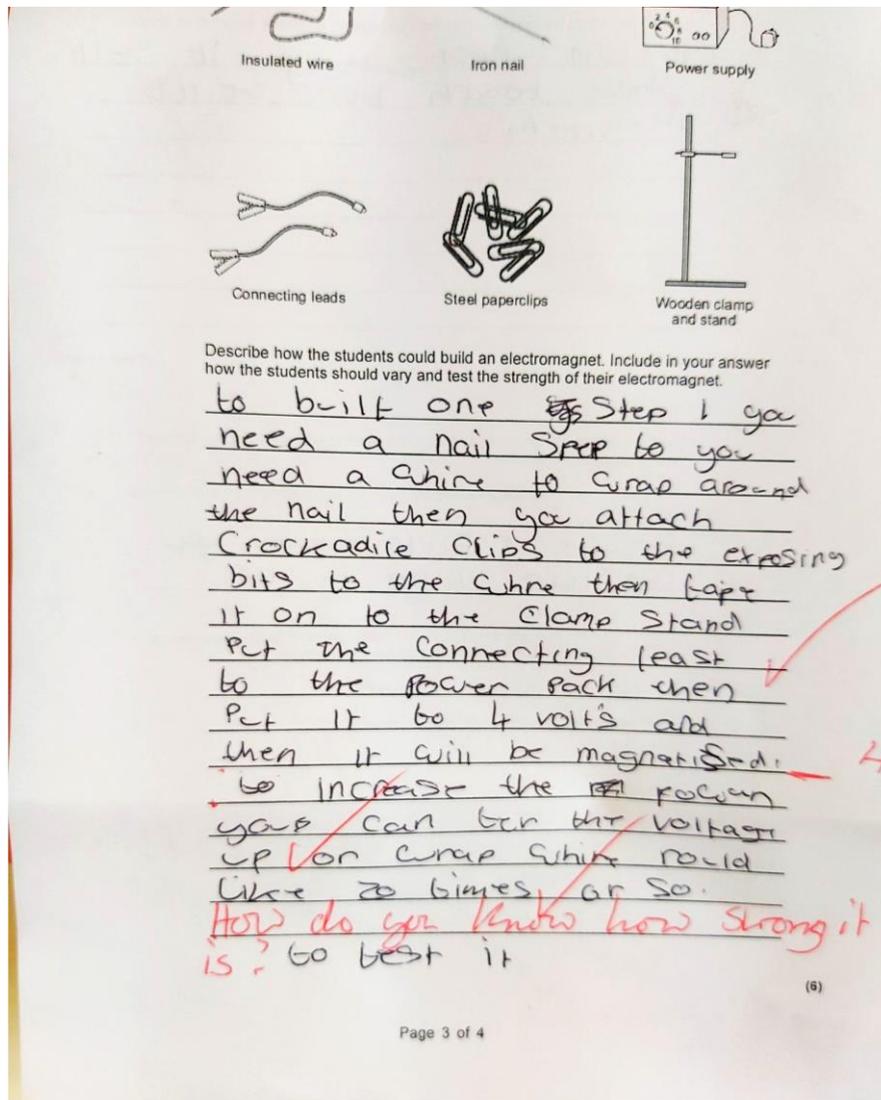
SCIENCE

Big pat on the back for Year 10 Triple Science with their Radiation Physics exam, the vast majority of the class achieved or exceeded their target grade – **Mr Edy**.

Bradley BM and Jay B in Year 9 who have written brilliant answers to a GCSE exam question after completing a practice, making electromagnets – **Mr Kelley**.



<p>3</p> 	<p>Once we plugged the wire round the nail we connected it to the power pack.</p> <p>on 2 volts.</p>
<p>4</p> 	<p>To test how strong it is, we put pins down to test how much the nail could pick up.</p>
<p>Then</p> <p>5</p>  <p>or</p>	<p>To see if it changed the strength, we increased the voltage to 4 to see if it affected the strength of the magnet.</p>
<p>6</p> 	<p>We changed the number of coils.</p>



HOSPITALITY AND CATERING

Year 10 had to prepare and present a healthy balanced full meal for one. The task was a Chicken Kiev meal – Mrs Giffins-Jones.



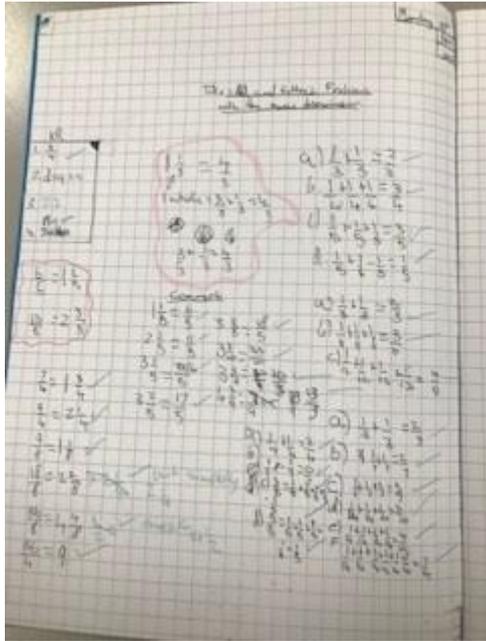
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Elizabeth B

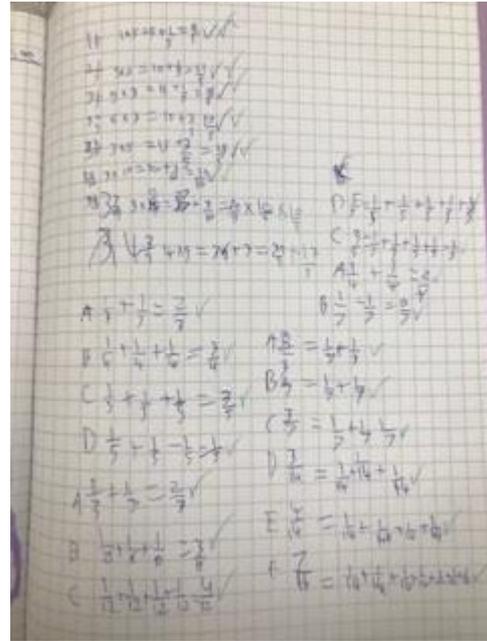


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Fractions work from Maria A in Year 7



Fractions work from Elijah E in Year 7

PRODUCT DESIGN

Year 8 Bug Boxes – Ms Westgate.





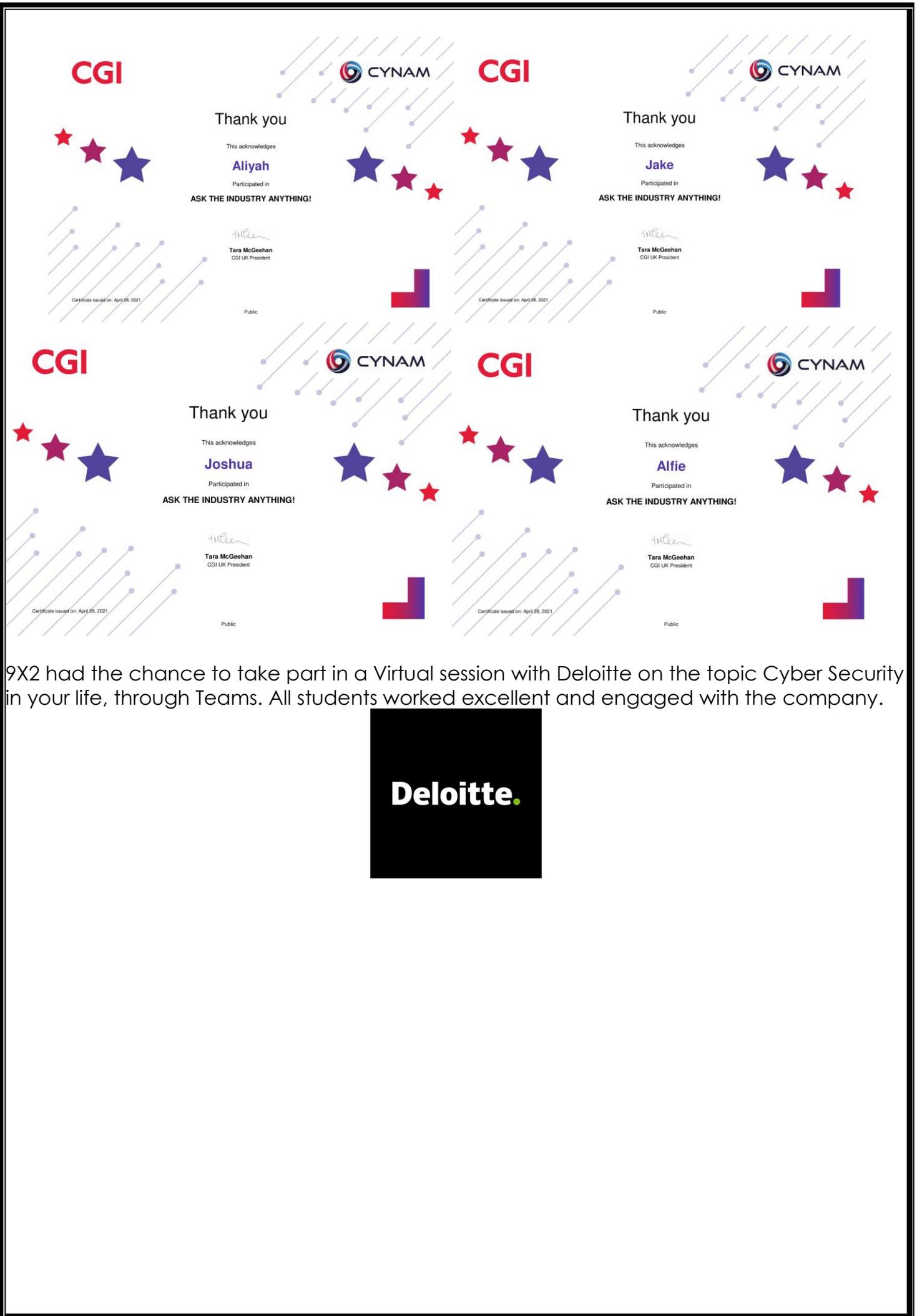
Year 9 Automata's



COMPUTING

Some students across KS3 have taken part in the Ask Anything to CGI as part of an initiative through Cyber First Schools – **Mr Warren.**

Aliyah, Jake, Joshua R and Alfie



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9X2 had the chance to take part in a Virtual session with Deloitte on the topic Cyber Security in your life, through Teams. All students worked excellent and engaged with the company.



ART

This is a stunning piece of work by Emily W, in Year 11, showing how she has been trying out different materials for her media trials to see what will work best for her final piece of work – **Mrs Charles.**

