



## Principals' Letter – Spring Term 2020 Week Ending 17<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

**Word of the Week - DERIVED:** Each week in school we focus on a high-frequency academic word to help students to expand their working vocabulary.

DERIVED - Meaning = got (from).

"I derived a lot of pleasure from the recent football game."

**New York - Sustainability Summit:** Just over a week to go until four lucky students embark on an adventure of a lifetime. On the 31st January Miss Banks and Mr Gladwin will be travelling with **Eidan Gibbs, Sian Kearney, Amy McMahon** and **Mitchell Creak** to New York, USA! The group will spend a few days absorbing the culture of New York before travelling to Arlington High School where they will meet their hosts and immerse themselves into American culture. The fact we are meeting our families on Superbowl Sunday is just an added bonus! The group will spend three days shadowing their host throughout school life in America and will experience the everyday life both in school and out of school.

On the Thursday, Friday and Saturday we will be attending a Youth Empowerment Sustainability Summit hosted on the famous Hudson River. There we will meet students from close to 50 other schools. We will listen to world leaders in sustainability and engage in a variety of workshops. From here the group will formulate an action plan to bring back to Passmores Academy. With sustainability being one of the hottest topics at the moment, we are hoping this trip will have a huge impact on the group's mindset, as well as those in their family, the school and the wider community.

**Well Being Message:** Unfortunately, some people suffer from S.A.D. (Seasonal Affective Disorder) during the winter months, and this can affect both adults and children. We have alerted students to this and if you feel you need more information about this you can go to the following website for more advice

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/seasonal-affective-disorder-sad/>

**KS3 Musical Theatre Club:** Musical theatre club is gearing up for a showcase performance on February 13th. An exciting opportunity for younger students to take lead roles and experience performing in front of an audience before the main summer event. More news to follow in future letters.

**Booster Sessions:** Maths and English would like to celebrate the fantastic support given by teachers, staff and parents with regards to the booster sessions offered to our year 11's. The first session ran this week and the turnout was astounding. We hope that this will continue throughout the term.

**Attention all Parents of Year 11 Students:** Want to support your year 11 student through their English Language GCSE or their mathematics GCSE? Passmores Academy is offering a free six-week course to parents, where you will be shown the skills to be able to support your child through their GCSE

journey. It does not matter about your current skills in English or mathematics, as the course will be run to enable you to spot the common mistakes made by students and therefore allow you to guide your child at home - when they are revising or doing homework. All courses run from 6pm to 7pm.

English Language (Tuesday)	mathematics (Wednesday)
25/02	26/02
03/03	04/03
10/03	11/03
17/03	18/03
24/03	25/03
31/03	01/04

There are limited spaces, so please contact:

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**Sports News:** Our Passmores U16s basketball players are celebrating a win this week having beat St Marks 62-13. Well done boys, you have made us all proud.

**Rugby Shirt Unveil Event:** We have some exciting news regarding rugby this week. **Jamie Scott** in Year 11 will be unveiling a shirt designed by Passmores students which has been created by Canterbury (the company that make England's international jerseys) at Twickenham. This will be in front of 82000 plus people during the half time of England vs Wales in March, which is a Six Nations match. This has been arranged through the All Schools CBRE Programme. Four students were shortlisted for this prestigious honour, but our Head Boy was finally chosen from his school record and his achievements in sport. Jamie has 100% attendance, 489 Passmores Points, zero behaviour points and his school commitment is outstanding – being involved in rugby, athletics, school productions and is a House Captain. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity for Jamie and the school – congratulations Jamie!

**WOW!** Firstly, a massive congratulations to **Maria Thira** who has broken through the 1000 Passmores Point mark and must be intending to set a new school record at this rate!

This week we also wish to celebrate those students who have cruised through the 500 Point mark this week:

<b>Blaze Hibbert U8 SWT</b>	600	Year 7	Unicorn
<b>Joe Savage D4 BPS</b>	599	Year 8	Dragon
<b>Toby Palmer L4 KJR</b>	597	Year 8	Lion
<b>Jeyla Onac D8 MBY</b>	595	Year 7	Dragon
<b>Kallie Jackson D3 JSO</b>	594	Year 7	Dragon
<b>Alex Pickering D9 TBT</b>	587	Year 7	Dragon
<b>Josh Goodbun U1 ARO</b>	587	Year 8	Unicorn
<b>Lacey Dedman D4 BPS</b>	586	Year 7	Dragon
<b>Ryley O'Grady G3 SHO</b>	585	Year 9	Griffin
<b>Tristan Thira G7 PWN</b>	584	Year 7	Griffin
<b>Ashlea Gates D9 TBT</b>	583	Year 7	Dragon
<b>Eloisa Bellamy D4 BPS</b>	578	Year 7	Dragon
<b>Reece Fenton D5 EJM</b>	576	Year 7	Dragon
<b>Selene Virga L2 ABM</b>	563	Year 7	Lion
<b>Gracie Morris L1 SGR</b>	561	Year 7	Lion
<b>Scarlet Webber L5 ROH</b>	560	Year 9	Lion

<b>Lola Hummerston G7 PWN</b>	530	Year 7	Griffin
<b>Faye O'Reilly L3 RAD</b>	528	Year 8	Lion
<b>Kasie Hansen D2 CLN</b>	526	Year 8	Dragon
<b>Kiera Glover L1 SGR</b>	524	Year 9	Lion
<b>Jamie Scott 11D2JPLACM</b>	523	Year 11	Dragon
<b>Lois Jones U5 ASA</b>	523	Year 7	Unicorn
<b>Rosie Parnell L3 RAD</b>	523	Year 10	Lion
<b>Abena Kwarteng L3 RAD</b>	521	Year 8	Lion
<b>Sonnie Mowat D1 MHT</b>	521	Year 7	Dragon
<b>Jason Webb G2 SRS</b>	519	Year 8	Griffin
<b>Madeleine Hooker G3 SHO</b>	519	Year 7	Griffin
<b>Michael Anfom D7 ALL</b>	519	Year 8	Dragon
<b>Daisy McIntyre U7 DME</b>	517	Year 8	Unicorn
<b>Grace Kearns G6 JKG</b>	516	Year 9	Griffin
<b>Alfie Timpson 11L2LPGAMN</b>	515	Year 11	Lion
<b>Shay Woolmore U6 THR</b>	514	Year 7	Unicorn
<b>Reece Malyon D1 MHT</b>	511	Year 7	Dragon
<b>Raihaan Islam D3 JSO</b>	504	Year 9	Dragon
<b>Sienna Ismail G7 PWN</b>	504	Year 7	Griffin
<b>Alfie Liddle L3 RAD</b>	503	Year 7	Lion
<b>Poppy Burgess U6 THR</b>	503	Year 8	Unicorn
<b>Dylan Hunt G7 PWN</b>	502	Year 8	Griffin
<b>Jade Maxwell D8 MBY</b>	501	Year 10	Dragon
<b>Kacey Butler G6 JKG</b>	500	Year 9	Griffin

**Reading to inspire our writing - a descriptive piece by Hayden Cook, year 7:**

He woke up. But where? The room putrid and antiquated apart from one tea-stained window. Outside, as though taunting their freedom, were glistening trees and birds dancing in the snow. Wherever he was, it was beautiful.

He tried opening the window - only a small bit opened - fresh air rushed in - his distained brown hair blew in the breeze.

As much as he wished he was out there, he wasn't. So for now, he was going to have to get use to this disgusting and unsanitary environment. The sun, shining through the rustic window, shone onto his discoloured bed - if one could even call it that. He thought about sitting on it, until he saw the mould climbing like a spider up the wall. He was descending into madness.

"I've got to get out!" he said sadly.

**Music Quiz #1 Answers:**

1. 'I'm Too Sexy' by Right Said Fred
2. 'All The Things She Said' by Simple Minds
3. 'She Moves in Her Own Way' by The Kooks
4. 'Tainted Love' by Soft Cell
5. 'Moving On Up' by M People
6. 'Poker Face' by Lady Gaga
7. 'Running Up That Hill' by Kate Bush
8. 'Birdhouse in Your Soul' by They Might Be Giants

- 9. 'The Locomotion' by Kylie Minogue
- 10. 'No Woman No Cry' by Bob Marley

**English Problems of the week:**

Year 7 - Poetry

A X B Y F M S M R E D H O C U  
 J L O Q E T I O O G X J X R J  
 X G L O N O M A T O P O E T A  
 S O F I V X Q V M P H R P L I  
 A G U F T Y M P W R E H M Q Z  
 A S L G G E L G Z H Y Y N A N  
 M U S X L F R T T Y X T W N R  
 G K E O C K H A N M F H K M G  
 P B I V N X N F T E J M P H N  
 A N L G V A E Y Y I Z R R C I  
 V V T O S K N I B W O Y G I P  
 G C A N N E X C R L R N Z D Z  
 L O Z R L P O D E Z S H P K Z  
 F F Z P K E G E T W G Q Z W C  
 V X Y T O T Y A D O J M A E Q

Year 8 – How to guides

F M K Q N D Z Q T G  
 S S K E Z P K G P R  
 O A I Y X U D K T E  
 Q R N H H P B V I V  
 I G F C H W L J P I  
 S U O W V V W A N E  
 P E R S U A D E I W  
 F V M V S G K W N N  
 P Z U C K J E H W U  
 I C S Q T A Y Z K




**Key Stage 4 - An Inspector Calls**

W F T Z Y W D F I H O A Z C V  
 O R Z R B E E I D J H V T G Y  
 F B E P S H S P I O B Z H C Q  
 Q W E S T U U H S N T K R L N  
 V S S Y P W X E C F Y H I A N  
 J A K C H O Y K R W L B L S F  
 Q Y R H Q U N R I P T I L S W  
 J O X O Q V Q S M E T F E U Q  
 W L T L D B E T I X D N R P X  
 F C J O E C C L N B Q V Z V I  
 R U G G B F O P A T I T T O O  
 O T W I R Z M U T X R L O Z A  
 D S G C T O U I I R O D I T Z  
 H I W A J C M L O C F R O T R  
 T K C L I K E O N F J K C N Y

**Maths Problem of the Week:**

A bonus of £1200 is shared by 8 people who work for a company.  
 30% of the bonus is shared equally between 2 managers.  
 The rest of the bonus is shared equally between 6 salesmen.  
 A salesmen says, "If the bonus is shared equally between all 8 people I  
 will get at least 15% more money."  
 Is the salesman correct? Show how you get your answer.

**Maths Solution from the last letter:**

<p>Calculate the perimeter</p>  <p><math>9 + 5 + 9 + 5</math> <math>= 28 \text{ cm}</math></p>	<p>Calculate the area</p>  <p><math>9 \times 5</math> <math>= 45 \text{ cm}^2</math></p>	<p>If the area of the rectangle is <math>27 \text{ cm}^2</math> calculate x</p>  <p><math>x = 3 \text{ cm}</math></p>																				
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### Forthcoming Events

Thursday 23rd January	-	English Dept's Evening Production of an Inspector Calls
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	-	KS3 Celebration Evening 4.00pm – 6.00pm
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> January	-	Inset Day
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	-	Aspire Day
17 <sup>th</sup> February – 21 <sup>st</sup> February	-	Half Term

Natalie Christie & Vic Goddard

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- Would you like to be a Primary or Secondary teacher?
- Do you have a degree?

## Drop in session

Wednesday 12th February 2020

10:30am—12pm

At Passmores Academy



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