

7<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Thanks to Beata and pupils for this wonderful 'NHS appreciation' art

Dear Parents and Carers

We have had a very busy few weeks and have launched our Art Competition open to all of our pupils and students across the NAS schools. The choices for the subject



of the competition are either:



**A) The Mysterious World.**

**B) Draw a picture of what you see when you open the door**

**C) My Breakfast'**

Please forward snapshots of the work to [sybil.elgarschool@nas.org.uk](mailto:sybil.elgarschool@nas.org.uk) - entries will be judged at the end of June, closing date is Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2020.



Adrian from our Woodlands Campus has been busy at home building a greenhouse in much the same style as the project he has been working on with his teacher Abraham at school - a combined effort between Woodlands and Havelock. The greenhouse is made out of plastic bottles.

Thanks for sharing your amazing work Adrian – good job; you can also view this and more on our Website.

As per my letter on Tuesday **we will be closed for Bank Holiday tomorrow - Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May and open again on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May.** As always we will look to support in any way that we can during these different times. We together with you, liaise continually with social services and education as needed, to ensure that your child is in the safest place – following government guidelines. In preparation for the future we will be looking at the best way to transition our children back to school and will keep you updated as to expected plans in partnership with you. I know that we are all waiting for Sunday's announcement from the Prime minister to steer the way forward.

The DfE's core focus currently has been on mainstream schools, which as you will know have been largely closed since 18<sup>th</sup> March – more discussions regarding special schools has begun this week. We are awaiting further guidance regarding the use of personal protection equipment in schools.

There has been guidance on emergency funding for vulnerable families, including families of disabled people for items such as domestic appliances – schools cannot apply for this directly - but we may be able to signpost families in need towards it.

Anne Williams our Family Liaison Manager will be looking into this on your behalf and will give updates in our next Parent and Carer Newsletter.

Our thoughts are with you.

With kindest wishes

Yours faithfully



Chloe Phillips  
**PRINCIPAL**