



Beths Grammar School

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Coronavirus (COVID-19) – updates from the Headteacher

As we move into another week of isolation and into the second week of the Easter break, we hope that you are all coping and finding new ways to 'spend time' with friends and family, whether that be by using one of the video conferencing platforms or just over the good old-fashioned telephone.

We would like to join in with the majority of the country and please urge everyone to follow the Government's rules and do not meet up with people but to keep the directed two metres apart from everyone (except those living within your household) at all times. Just because you may not be showing signs of Covid-19, does not mean that you are not a carrier and spreading the virus every time you leave your house.

We need the NHS and all the other key workers to be able to continue their important roles safely and, for them to continue to do this, we have got to follow the rules.

Once isolation has been removed, we will then have a clearer picture of when students will return to school and for our normal lives to continue.

We know that parents are probably struggling to become 'teachers' during this unsettled time, however, the DfE have recently released some details of on-line resources that parents may find useful. These resources are free and cover a range of subjects and may be of interest to your son or daughter:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-online-education-resources/coronavirus-covid-19-list-of-online-education-resources-for-home-education>

We received a request from a local care home who have some patients who are currently suffering from Covid-19 and wondered if we could help them with any Personal Protection Equipment (PPE). We sourced a number of items from both our Science and Design Technology departments and, upon realising the quantity of equipment that we actually had, we decided to split the items between the care home and the Princess Royal University Hospital (PRUH).

The care home were delighted by what we could supply them with and when Michael and Sean, from our Facilities Team, arrived at the PRUH, they were over the moon. They couldn't thank the school enough and have called us heroes! Strange coming from NHS employers – we think that they were just incredibly grateful and hopefully they will be able to make use of the equipment.





As you are probably aware, Mr Blyghton, is an avid football fan and, when he is able to take a break from work, he has been running his own 'dice football' which is basically where he rolls a dice to decide what the football scores during the weekend's matches could have been had they not been cancelled. As you will see, this week there were a couple of unexpected results and, at the bottom of this article, you will see the 'dice football' league standings.

Premier League Fixture 32

Aston Villa beat Wolves 1-0 with a quickly driven piledriver from Jack Grealish similar to the way he recently parked his Range Rover. Wolves would have been disappointed as they had no shots on target and spent the whole game passing amongst themselves in their own half of the pitch.

Man Utd moved into the Champions League places with a 3-0 win over the Seagulls. A hat-trick from Shaw who certainly turned the tide against Brighton who demonstrated little illumination in their style of play.

Bournemouth finally turned up – even those on 80% - to smash five past an under-strength Newcastle team – some 20% under-strength actually causing the Manager to rue his choice of a 8-1-1 formation.

Crystal Palace shocked their supporters by starting Christian Benteke. However, they were not surprised by the fact that he touched the ball once and was substituted after 80 minutes complaining that nobody would pass to him. Three goals were put past Burnley with the pick being a curling free-kick from Zaha who had been beautifully upended by Burnley Manager Sean Dyche who walked onto to pitch to give Zaha something really to writhe around on the floor about.

Arsenal again demonstrated their defensive frailties against an under-strength Norwich team and it was only the fact that the bloke with the big curly hair – not Luiz- that kept Norwich at bay. Ozil completed a little cameo on the hour and Xhaka managed to stay on the pitch for the full 90 minutes. Goals flowed from the boots of Lacazette and Aubamyang and bulged the Norwich net. Not even Delia Smith could magic something up to plug those leaks in the defence although she did offer to rustle up something for after the game.

Neil Pearson's Watford followed their Liverpool bashing form by spanking Southampton 5-1, with Troy Deeney bagging a brace either side of half-time. The game was marred by the fact that the VAR machine was actually working properly and did not cause any controversy.

Spurs waited until the 98th minute before Hugo Lloris punched the ball into his own net forcing Tottenham to leave without any points. Jose Mourinho again sat on the bench not smiling and moaning that didn't have any forwards.

A high-tempo encounter at the London Stadium saw West Ham and Chelsea share 4 goals and 356 arrests. Declan Rice ensured that he left his mark on the game – and on 6 Chelsea players whilst Kepa actually caught the ball once. Tammy Abraham again managed not to score and with Anderson bagging a pair, Mason Mount at the peak of his form replied for Chelsea, the serious business of the game returned to the stands.





With Liverpool having won the League, they decided to put out an under-strength side against Man City. An own goal by Otamendi in front of the Kop compounded City's day. Jurgen Klopp was so over-the-moon with his team's performance that he gave each member of the squad a shaving kit and also provided them with teeth whitener as well.

And finally Everton and Leicester fought out a boring 0-0 draw. Not even a disallowed goal off Jamie Vardy's chin could get the fans excited.

The Results from Week 32

Aston Villa	1	0	Wolves
Brighton	0	3	Man Utd
Bournemouth	5	3	Newcastle
Crystal Palace	3	1	Burnley
Arsenal	5	4	Norwich
Watford	5	1	Southampton
Sheffield Utd	1	0	Tottenham
West Ham	2	2	Chelsea
Man City	0	1	Liverpool
Everton	0	0	Leicester

As it stands under Mr Blyghton's 'Dice Magic' after week 32:

Position	Club	Played	Won	Draw	Loss	GD	Points
1	Liverpool	32	28	2	2	46	86
2	Man City	32	19	4	9	39	61
3	Leicester	32	16	7	9	29	55
4	Man Utd	32	14	10	8	20	52
5	Chelsea	32	15	7	10	13	52
6	Sheffield Utd	32	12	11	9	-2	47
7	Crystal Palace	32	12	10	10	0	46
8	Arsenal	32	10	15	7	1	45
9	Burnley	32	13	6	13	-6	45
10	Wolves	32	10	14	8	1	44
11	Everton	32	12	8	12	-3	44
12	Tottenham	32	11	10	11	6	43
13	Southampton	32	12	4	16	-15	40
14	Newcastle	32	10	9	13	-13	39
15	Brighton	32	7	12	13	-10	33
16	Bournemouth	32	9	6	17	-15	33
17	Watford	32	7	10	15	-14	31
18	West Ham	32	7	9	16	-15	30
19	Aston Villa	32	8	6	18	-26	30
20	Norwich	32	5	6	21	-34	21

