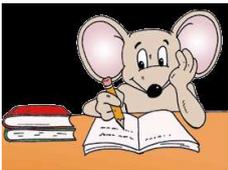


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Submit your work, articles, and pictures to Mount House News Mouse. If you want to include a story, poem, recipe, picture, photo of your pet, jokes or a comic strip then please send them to Mr Nancarrow through the school's email.



The Mount House News Mouse, is very bored, he has to stay two metres away from all his friends, and can't go back to school. The Mount House News Mouse is as bored as can be, but he thanks you for all the activities you sent him in the newsletter. The Mount House News mouse is not as bored as he was!

More adventures of the Mount House News Mouse from Mariam in Year 7

The Mount House News Mouse found an underground tunnel, he and his friends were just trying to find a way out when they bumped into Mr Mole. As you know, moles can see in the dark. He showed them to the nearest exit. The Mount House News Mouse and his friends were relieved to see the light of day again, they all went round to Mr Mole's house to have a cup of tea and a slice of cake.

JOKES

Q: What did one toilet say to the other?

A: You look a bit flushed.

Q: Why did the picture go to jail?

A: Because it was framed.

Q: What did one wall say to the other wall?

A: I'll meet you at the corner.

Q: What did the paper say to the pencil?

A: Write on!

Q: What do you call a boy named Lee that no one talks to?

A: Lonely

Q: What gets wetter the more it dries?

A: A towel.

Don't FORGET

Chess Club



Hi Chess Club members, please continue to practice chess at home using [Chess.com](https://www.chess.com). This is an easy to use free online website. New members welcome. Mrs Martin

Ukulele Club



Mr Nancarrow has set up a Group for the Ukulele Club. He will be on-line next every Tuesday at 1pm. If you want to join the group, then email Mr Nancarrow who will add you to the list.

Riddles

Last issue's riddles' answers: a potato and a shoe!!!

How can a square look round?

Lockdown is – Lockdown means

Lockdown means were stuck inside,
You can't go out well that's a bore,
You can't meet up with a friends,
You can't even go to school anymore.

Anna Year 7

To me lockdown means
I can't go out and see my friends.
We don't often see each other
out of school anyway
but it does affect us.

I haven't been able to go to the park,
school has been quite hard.
school has changed a lot
we must do it all online,
you can't go away from school .
So school can last
however long it might
take
you to do it in a day.

Alice Year 7

Mariam's in Year 7 Riddles Corner

Answers at the end of this issue of the News Mouse

1. Why is Europe like a frying pan?
2. A monkey, a squirrel, and a bird are racing to the top of a coconut tree. **Who will get the banana first, the monkey, the squirrel, or the bird?**
3. What 8 letter word can have a letter taken away and it still makes a word. Take another letter away and it still makes a word. Keep on doing that until you have one letter left. What is the word?
4. What do you call two witches who live together?
5. **Catch you later.**
6. Can you name three consecutive days without using the words Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, or Sunday?
7. **A doctor and a bus driver are both in love with the same woman, an attractive girl named Sarah. The bus driver had to go on a long bus trip that would last a week. Before he left, he gave Sarah seven apples. Why?**

Zoey in Year7 Shares her recipes for sweet treats!

Honeycomb

What you need:

- 1 ½ cups of sugar
- 7 tablespoons of honey
- 3 table spoons of baking powder

Pour all the honey and sugar in a pan to cook. After 1 minute, add your baking powder and let it cook for 20 seconds and pour in a tray, it should be still bubbling. Let it cool for an hour then break the honeycomb and dip in melted chocolate!

Meringue

How to make meringues!

What you need:

- 2 egg whites
- 1 cup sugar

First you are going to whisk the egg whites until they are foamy, then add your sugar but not all in 1 one go and keep whisking for about 5 minutes and it will feel very foamy and creamy. Scoop up some of the foam and place it on a baking tray to cook. Place the baking tray in the oven for 50 mins, then it will be finished!

Fruit cake with fresh cream

(a cake for my dad's birthday)



Ingredients

2 eggs,
80g caster sugar, plus 1 big
tablespoon for the cream,
60g self-raising flour, sifted,
200ml cream,
250g strawberries cut in half,
full raspberries and
blueberries for the decoration.

You will need around a 20cm cake
tin, baking paper
and some butter.

Method:

1. Preheat the oven to 200°C. Cut the baking paper to a round shape slightly bigger than your tin, brush your tin with melted butter and line the base with the baking paper.
2. Beat the eggs whites until soft peaks form. Gradually add the sugar and beat until dissolved. Beat in the lightly beaten egg yolks until thick.
3. Fold in the flour and 2 tablespoons hot water. Spread into the round tin and bake for 8 – 10 minutes or until firm and golden. Turn it out of the tin onto a wire rack to cool, peel the baking paper from the base and leave it to cool. Use a big knife to cut the cake in half horizontally to end up with two thinner cakes.
4. Beat the cream with the extra sugar until soft peaks form. Spread the cream at the top of the first cake layer and add chopped strawberries. Add the second layer and use the rest of the cream to cover the top of the cake. Then use the fresh fruit to decorate the cake.

Pets' Corner

Amelia's (Year 7) very cute dog **Dolly** and her beautiful tabby cat **Prince**, or as I like to call him **The Cat Formerly Known as Prince**.



Mariam's (Year 7) dog Buggy



Dara's (Year 8) cat Chelsea

Lockdown Artwork

Wonderful art which students have produced at home ~ well done all.



Johnny Year 12



Claire Year 12



Zara Jemal Year 8



Zara J Year 8



Evie Year 8



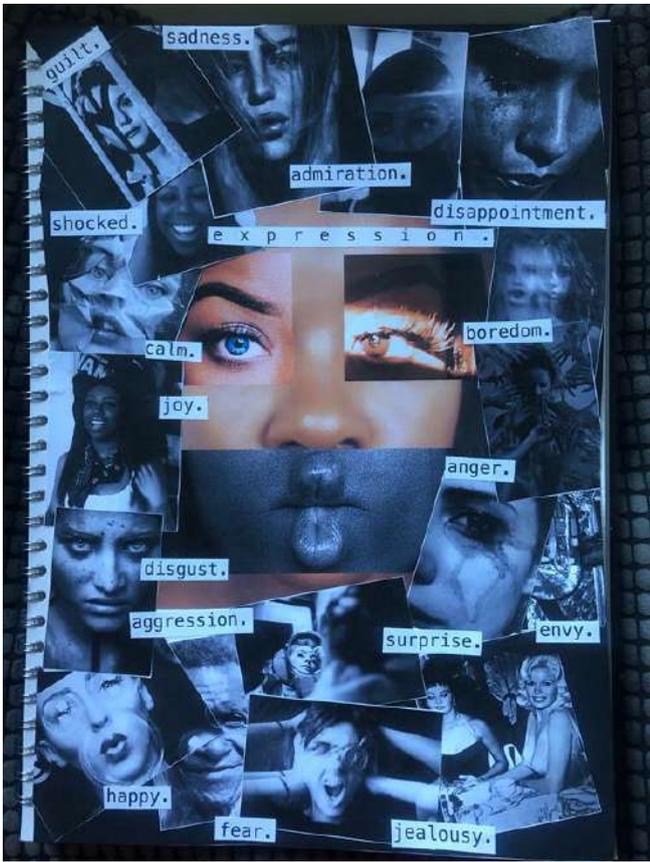
Zara E Year 8



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Poppy Year 10



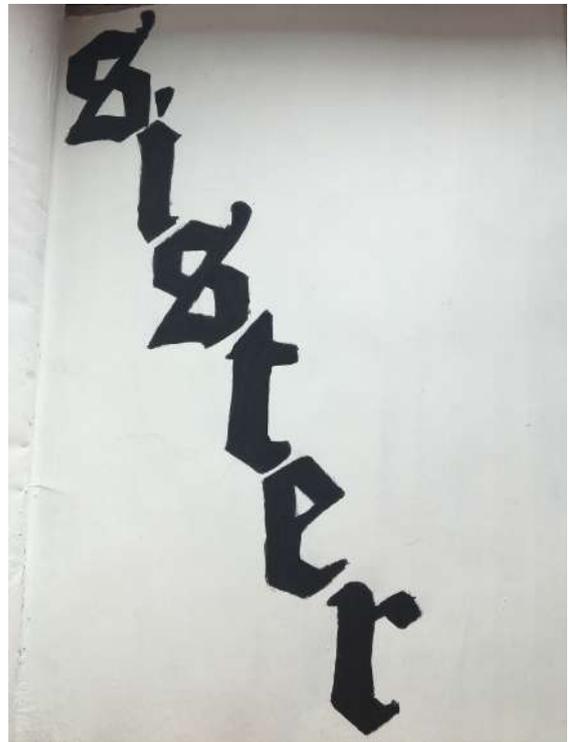
Esme Year 10



Jess Year 10



Hailey Year 8





Anna's (Year 7) Creative writing page

Creative writing is a form of expressing yourself and what you are trying to describe in your story, poem or play. I personally like creative writing because it expresses who I am as a person. So, I could, in detail say how I'm feeling and get all my ideas out on a piece of paper.

The word of the week: Callous

This word means showing/ implying that you don't like someone.

An example of this is when Prospero is talking to Caliban in the Shakespeare's play The Tempest and he is showing resentment towards him.

I challenge you to use this word in one of your creative writing passages over the next week.

If you like creative writing join the new Creative Writing Club run by Mrs MacDonald and send your work to me.

Anna - Keep writing

Get Cooking!



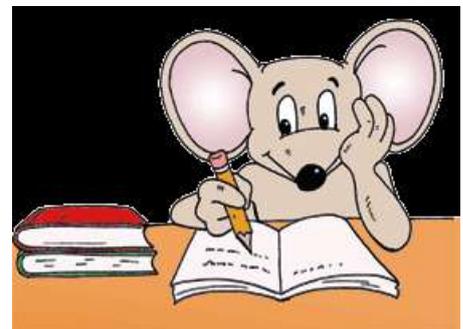
**The Yorkshire Pudding Challenge – We have had no entries!
So there is still time to try the challenge.**

With the help of an adult, make a Yorkshire Pudding. Take a picture of it with a ruler next to it and send it in - we will see who's Yorkshire Pudding has risen the most. Can you win the Yorkshire Pudding Challenge?



Mount House News Mouse tips for the perfect Yorkshire pudding.

1. Mix equal amounts of milk, plain flour and eggs into a batter.
- 2. Don't use self-raising flour.**
3. Put the mixture in the fridge to get it as cold as possible.
- 4. Make sure the oil is really hot in the baking tray – GET AN ADULT TO HELP YOU.**
- 5. When the mixture is poured into the tray it should sizzle – GET AN ADULT TO DO THIS.**



Chocolate Chip Cookie Recipe



Ingredients

150g salted butter, softened
80g light brown muscovado sugar
80g granulated sugar
2 tsp vanilla extract
1 large egg
225g plain flour
½ tsp bicarbonate soda
¼ tsp salt
200g plain chocolate chips or chunks

MAKE SURE YOU HAVE AN ADULT TO HELP YOU WITH USING THE OVEN

Heat the oven to 190C/fan170C/gas 5 and line two baking sheets with non-stick baking paper or coat with butter.

Put 150g softened salted butter, 80g light brown muscovado sugar and 80g granulated sugar into a bowl and beat until creamy. Beat in 2 tsp vanilla extract and 1 large egg.

Sift 225g plain flour, ½ tsp bicarbonate of soda and ¼ tsp salt into the bowl and mix it in with a wooden spoon.

1. Add 200g plain chocolate chips or chunks and stir well.

Use a teaspoon to make small scoops of the mixture, spacing them well apart on the baking trays.

This mixture should make about 30 cookies.

Bake for 8–10 mins until they are light brown on the edges and still slightly soft in the centre if you press them. **REMEMBER, MAKE SURE AN ADULT CAN HELP YOU PUT THE COOKIES IN THE OVEN.**

Leave on the tray for a couple of mins to set and then lift onto a cooling rack.

Neila (Year 7) has been busy cooking cakes in mugs!

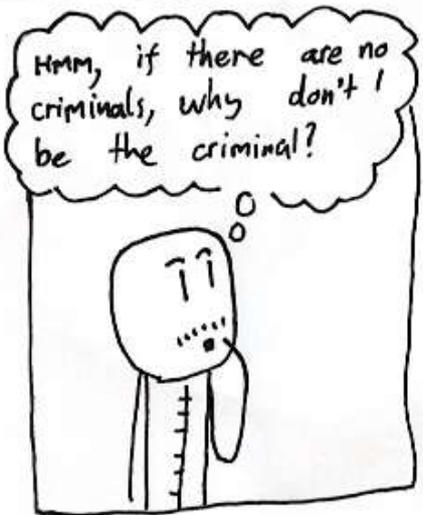
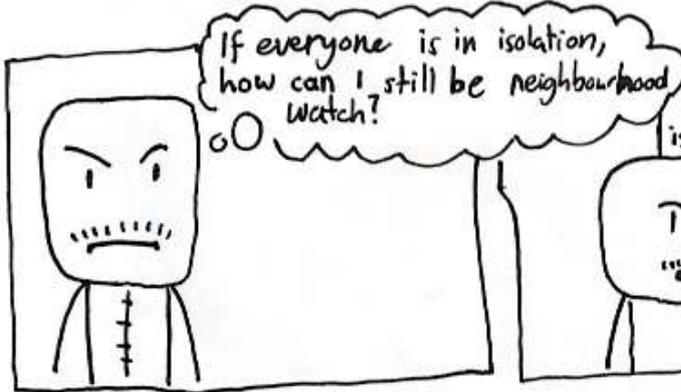


Mariam's Riddles – the Answers?

- 1 **Answer:** Because it has Greece at the bottom.
- 2 **Answer:** None of them, because you can't get a banana from a coconut tree.
- 3 **Answer:** The word is starting! starting, staring, string, sting, sing, sin, in, Cool,huh?
- 4 **Answer:** Broommates!
- 5 **Answer:** Catch you later.
- 6 **Answer:** Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow.
- 7 **Answer:** An apple a day keeps the doctor away!

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