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## News

This week has seen the Academy recognize Holocaust Memorial Day. To commemorate the 76th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau, Year 8 spent tutorial on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> January composing messages expressing their thoughts and feelings. Students expressed sympathy and regret, along with an optimistic belief in the possibility of a better future. As Zayd in 8G puts it: *"We can make the future brighter than the past if we reflect on this day and if we show kindness to everyone no matter who we are or what we will become. I wish the world can judge everyone by the kindness in their heart and not anything else"*.



## Charity

Over the past 10 months, many of us have experienced the need to rely on those in the front-line of the COVID\_19 response. Even in our moments of deepest sadness and fears, the bravery and selflessness of nurses, doctors, paramedics and many others has been a source of inspiration. To show our gratitude, students within the Academy have spent time arranging parcels of luxuries, such as bubble-bath and chocolates, to perk our frontline heroes up after a hard shift.



Puzzle.: Replace the vowels to give five shapes. What are they? Answers in tutorial on Monday.

SQR

VL

CB

SPHR

CTGN



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## Leadership

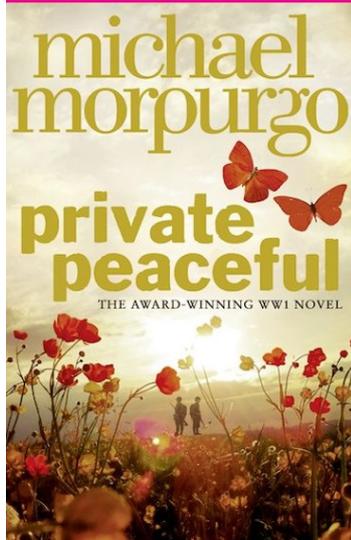


**A**s part of our Star Diploma offer, we are encouraging students to provide community service within the home during lockdown. Helping your parents with the washing-up and laundry or reading with your younger brother or sister is a great way to demonstrate our Star value of service when you can't venture very much further into the world. Discipline and cooperation are key to maintaining good habits of studying and physical well-being in the unfamiliar context of home-learning and we know how valuable the sense of a making a positive contribution is to the maintenance of a positive frame of mind.

## Literacy

**O**ne of the most popular features of our new timetable this year has been the extension of DEAR—Drop Everything and Read. Already, Year 7 and Year 10 are onto their second book—so we are throwing open a Book Review Competition for all members of these year groups. On Friday morning (5th February), Year 7 will write reviews of *Private Peaceful* whilst Year 10 will evaluate *The Woman in Black*. All students entering reviews will receive 30 minutes credit towards their Star Diploma and one student in each year will win an Amazon voucher.

## Private Peaceful



Today, we will be continuing to read *Private Peaceful*.

I will read; you should follow silently, reading the text displayed on the whiteboard.



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