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Honestly, I can't believe I've been out of school for ten weeks now.

Fortunately, my routine is structured and all that good stuff... there's plenty of time for new hobbies too; whilst I spend longer focusing on recipes and cooking, there is a STILL a pasta shaped hole in my heart which can only be filled with the St Joseph's Canteen breaktime pasta... Seriously. Shame you don't do Deliveroo.



Like a lot of people, I've taken advantage of being out of school by dying my hair (black) and having the luxury of wearing pyjama trousers more than usual. Even having Zoom quizzes/meetings allows total comfort!

When I'm not keeping up with well-presented and clear lesson formats (thanks guys), I am using lockdown to rekindle my French vocabulary via Duolingo as obviously, I couldn't pick more than three GCSE options. Who knows, maybe I'll have forgotten the entirety of the English language by the time we get back to school. But let's be real, I'm still struggling to pronounce l'écureuil (squirrel): I've got nothing on GCSE French students!

Even weirder, I have always been the type of person in PE who can only be described as "enthusiastic", especially when it comes to skilled sports involving bats, rackets or sticks. However, with the motivation of the PE department emails I've found a new relationship with living room aerobics.

(Personally, I think we should start a petition to get the teachers to collate videos of them doing Joe Wicks PE in fancy dress like I've seen online a lot lately!)

I do miss the St Joseph's library terribly – as a frequent visitor, this new book withdrawal led to me retrieving childhood favourites from the attic such as Diary of A Wimpy Kid, Jacqueline Wilson's novels and David Walliams to name a few. Unfortunately E-books aren't quite as good for someone as short sighted as I am to be reading in bed at night, not to mention the disturbing light of a laptop screen.

There is SO much I could ramble on about, but that's probably better saved for the countless diaries I am bound to fill during lockdown. I hope you're all well and staying in contact (Hooray for FaceTime!).

Maybe I'll see you soon, who knows?

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More Life in Lockdown Action

Our students have been highly creative and ingenious during lockdown. We are proud to publish some work that one of our year 8 students, Hannah Marques, has sent in to us. You can see some photographs of a Young Enterprise Money Challenge project that Hannah completed for Mr Mitchell, as part of a competition. Hannah has designed clothing from scraps of material and has presented a business plan. Not all the photographs are published here, but the level of craftsmanship and design for Hannah's business plan and product is astonishing.



This is exactly what St. Joseph's is all about: independent thinking, creativity, entrepreneurial drive. More than one member of staff said that they would most definitely buy and wear this tee-shirt if it was on the market.

Thank you for sharing your work with us, Hannah. You are definitely a fashion star to watch for the future. Chanel and Galliano: move over! Hannah is the future face of haute couture.