



St Edward's College

Dwardu's Scoops

Potato stomping

In the game of Polo, between chukkas, there is divot stomping. Basically it is a participant sport where the spectators thread back into the lawn the divots which would have been kicked out by the horses and the mallets. I was reminded of this when the Head of the Early years sent over a deluge of photos one morning. And what a treat that proved to be!

Joe, our resident gardener, with infinite patience, showed our youngest pupils how to prepare potatoes for planting and, subsequently, the care that they would need to ensure that each plant bears fruit—potatoes in this case.

Respect for the land is what makes us all worthy citizens. We hope that the children will retain the pleasure and sense of satisfaction which gardening gives so that our gardens and countryside will be protected.

All photos can be accessed [here](#)



Potato Planting @ St Edward's College
February 2022

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February Reading

Every month, the Literacy and Information Support Unit (LISU) issues a list of books suitable for different age groups.

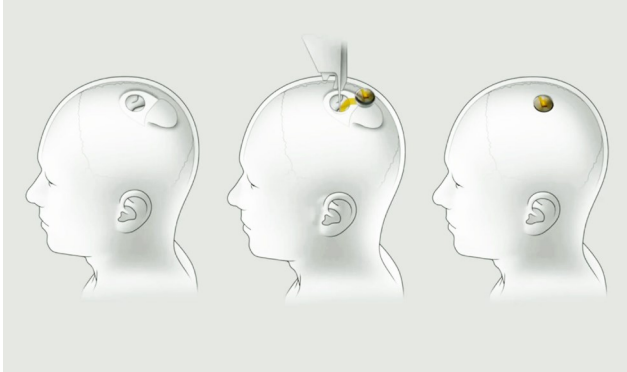
Access Junior School reading list [here](#)

Access Middle School reading list [here](#)

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Neuralink: Opportunity or Problem?

A review by Julian Coppini



Within the recent weeks, Elon Musk has unveiled a new piece of technology that will soon be ready for human trials - the Neuralink brain chip. The Neuralink works the same way as a television remote and is implanted into the rear part of the brain.

The way it works is that the Neuralink will be inserted into the rear of the brain and connected surgically to specific nerve endings in the cerebellum - the part of the brain which controls complicated motor functions, such as balancing or typing on a keyboard. Once in, the brain,

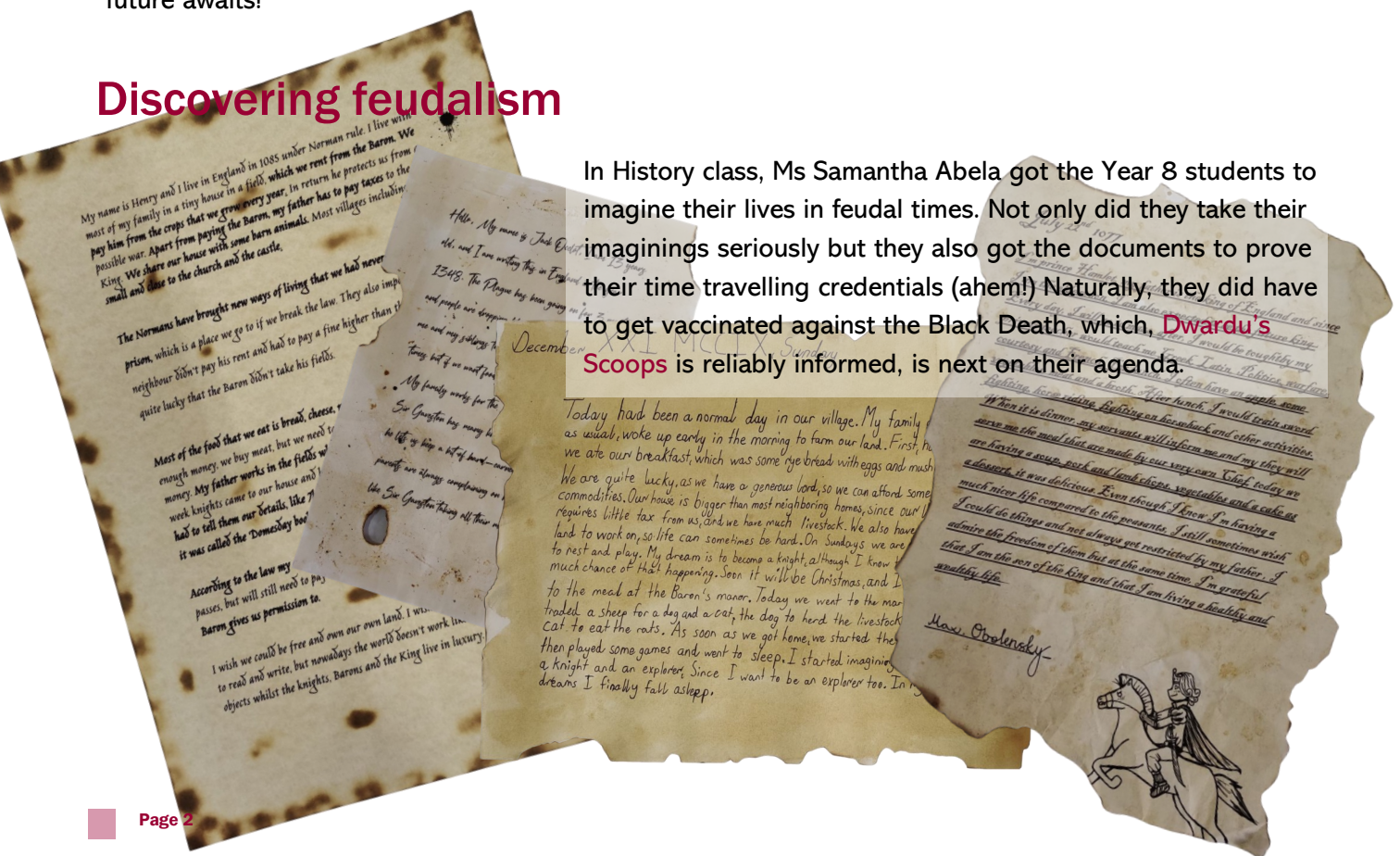
the Neuralink will take a few days to program itself to your specifications, and then become operable.

The function of the Neuralink is simple: to allow people to perform actions, without having to physically or manually operate machinery or devices. The main applications of Neuralink are in medicine and in the robotic industry, such as allowing a mechanic to fix a robot's software with his mind, rather than a laptop. Per the Guardian, Elon Musk promised that Neuralink technology will "enable someone with paralysis to use a smartphone with their mind, much quicker than someone using thumbs."

However, some technological scientists have argued that this advancement will cause redundancies in the workforce, as well as increased procrastination rates in certain industries. The technological world is on the edge of its seat and is eagerly waiting to see whether Musk's game-changer will be successful or not, the future awaits!

Discovering feudalism

In History class, Ms Samantha Abela got the Year 8 students to imagine their lives in feudal times. Not only did they take their imaginings seriously but they also got the documents to prove their time travelling credentials (ahem!) Naturally, they did have to get vaccinated against the Black Death, which, **Dwardu's Scoops** is reliably informed, is next on their agenda.



Plenty of fish in the sea

Solomon Seaberg Year 7X

You do not get more Mediterranean than a plate of well presented fish, on your dining table or in your fishmonger's display. For keen fisherman, Solomon Seaberg, the opportunity to work at a fishmonger's in Zurrieq was like a dream come true. In his own words...

Mareblue Gourmet Fish Shop is situated in Zurrieq. Mr Kevin Mamo owns and runs the shop, I enjoy going there and helping out in the shop.

When the shop was being renovated I used to drive past on the way to and from school, I watched it being prepared for its grand opening. I usually spend my free time fishing with my brother, Noah and my grandfather. I am avidly into fishing, I spend my weekends and holidays by the sea in Pretty Bay, Blue Grotto or Lapsi, so the opening of a new fish shop caught my attention. When the shop opened, I started going in and shopping there and over time I got to know the owner and his family.

In the summer of 2021 I was asked if I wanted to stay for a while and watch fresh fish being prepared and I readily agreed. I started to visit the shop once a week and began to learn more about the different types of fish and how to descale and fillet the fish. By the end of the summer I was going there everyday, except Sunday and Monday when



the shop closes. I have learnt how to prepare fresh fish and shellfish, knife skills and about the operation of a shop as a business. I really enjoy going because I like helping the owner, I get to meet new people and practice speaking Maltese. Helping at the

shop gives me a focus and something to look forward to.

Sometimes, it can be difficult to balance school work, helping at the shop and spending time with my family but I enjoy this challenge because it is good practice for when I am older. I also know that by working hard at school I might one day be able to achieve my dream of running my own business.

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The day after...



After the mid-term exams, our boarding students enjoyed some serious downtime. This break is normally too short for them to spend with their families so they stay at College. We make sure, however that they are well cared for and properly entertained so that their stay and their relaxation can be truly recreational.

Recreation for St Edward's College, means just that: time to re-create the serenity and wellness your body deserves. Health is not simply about being virus free. It is also the ability to focus and keep things in perspective. During exam time, the focus was all on study and getting the best grades each was capable of. After the exams, it's time to let your hair down.



Carnival Time

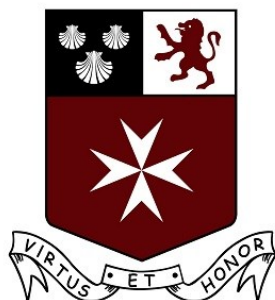
From Pirates to Princesses, Cowboys to Spider-men galore, a full array of creative costumes were the college uniform of the day for Carnival among the early years pupils.

All the pictures of the day are [on this link](#).



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At St Edward's College we strive to create exemplary citizens in this increasingly globalised and technological world, placing strong emphasis on character formation, genuine intercultural understanding and leadership skills which will assist them to contribute to the well-being of society.



In our prayers

Our thoughts and prayers are with our Russian and Ukrainian students, all in a situation not of their making. May we all strive and pray for peace with virtue and honour.

Save the date

01.05.22

**SPRING FÊTE
AT
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COLLEGE**

A chance to have fun, safely and help the college!

On the 1st of May, a Sunday, we shall be putting fun back into fundraising and glad rags for all. We are aiming to hold a Spring fête, with games, stalls, bands, pony rides...the works.

At the moment we are planning the whole event. Nearer the date we shall adapt to whatever restrictions will be in place. It goes without saying that, we have been careful for so long, we shall not throw everything overboard at the very last minute.

You just save the date, for now, and we'll keep you informed.