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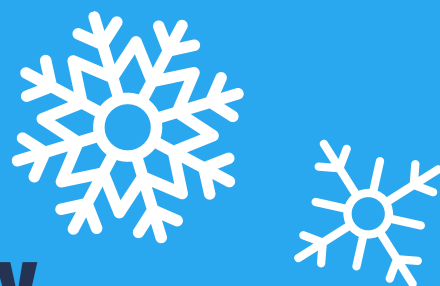
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YEAR 11 new Letter

In school lateral flow device (LFD) testing availability 4 to 7 January



We are pleased to offer your child a lateral flow test during the first school week back from Tuesday 4 until Friday 7 January. To give consent for this to happen, we ask that parents/carers click [here](https://forms.office.com/r/WkZH8Ck16r) or use the link below to fill in the necessary details required.

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LFD kits will be issued this week so that your child/children can test at least twice a week over the holidays. Students can also obtain an LFD kit from Student Services. Please could you ensure that one test is reserved for Monday 3 January prior to returning to school on Tuesday 4 January. Have a good christmas break and a happy new year.

Regards
Mr Erwin



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85% “ My child does well at this school ”
OF PARENTS SAY

93% “ My child can take part in clubs and activities at this school ”
OF PARENTS SAY

88% “ The school has high expectations for my child ”
OF PARENTS SAY

88% “ I would recommend this school to another parent ”
OF PARENTS SAY

93% “ My child is happy at this school ”
OF PARENTS SAY

93% “ There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school ”
OF PARENTS SAY

95% “ My child feels safe at this school ”
OF PARENTS SAY

79% “ The school supports my child's wider personal development ”
OF PARENTS SAY

89% “ The school lets me know how my child is doing ”
OF PARENTS SAY

YOU'VE RATED US



See overleaf for what we're working on following your feedback

WHAT WE ARE WORKING ON



With your feedback we're working towards a five star rating.

YOU SAID ABOUT...

Not enough information about clubs and trips

Homework needing to be posted on ClassCharts and set readily

Regular communication

Not having contact back when calling in.

Monitoring of the corridors during movement time

Access to toilets

More SEND provision

More information on curriculum

More support for neuro-diverse students

More detailed academic reporting

We have posted all clubs and activities on our website and will continue to update this as new opportunities arise. Please visit <https://www.kscs.org.uk/curriculum/kscs-enrichment-programme>



This is now the platform for capturing what homework is set. To access Classcharts please visit the following link: <https://www.classcharts.com/parent/login>



I send out communication as when necessary to avoid bombarding you. However, Heads of Year will now be sending out a half termly newsletter to keep you up-to-date. You can also view these here: <https://www.kscs.org.uk/view-letters-home>



We aim to respond to phone calls and emails received within two – five school days. We are developing an escalation system whereby if responses are not received within this time period you are able to escalate this so a senior leader with the principal also being informed.

We have enhanced our corridor patrols and have spoken to students about the respect agenda to younger students. We continue to monitor this issue.

Students with medical needs will be issued with cards. If a child with a card needs to go to the toilet, then this must be respected. Unless it is an emergency, students have two breaks during the day to go to toilet.

We have appointed three additional HLTA to support the expanding SEND needs just this term. We hope this will allow us to be able to reach out to more students. We are limited to resources and do need to prioritise at times.

We have set several targets to communicate even more about what your child is learning, including homework and what resources can be used to support them at home. This includes stretching the more able as well.

We have set up a committee supported by trained staff on this issue. Like the student council, the group will have the opportunity to meet with the principal and other key members of staff every half term to discuss how as a school we become even more inclusive in all aspects of what we do.

We have committed to ensuring students and parents received detailed information about what topics and how we are assessing in Years 11 and Post116 throughout the year leading up to the final examinations. We aim to review the Attitude to Learning guidance this year and ensure subject evenings are impactful

NEXT STEPS FOR THE SCHOOL (WE DID)



Dear Parents, Carers, and Families,

A huge Ho, Ho, Ho hello to you all. I hope that this message finds you and your families well.

As we move forward towards the new year, I am very confident that every student in Year 11 will do themselves proud. If the effort and drive with which they finished this challenging year is anything to go by, then our confidence in them is truly justified.

Next year, working together with parents/carers, hopefully everybody in Year 11 will continue to uphold the school values, along with high levels of purpose and motivation. Positive attitude, attendance, and punctuality, enjoying new experiences and learning new things every day to help every student reach their full potential and to gain the Post 16 destinations of their choice.

Extra effort must not only take place in the classroom, but also at home. It is especially important that students keep up to date with their work; ensuring they collect missing subject work to complete if they've been away.



Regarding the recent PPEs (Pre-Public Examinations), as these were the first public examinations students have sat in a while, the feedback I received and what I witnessed was fantastic considering everything. We are very proud with the way Year 11 have approached these exams and given them a go.

With the data from the PPEs, teachers will now best direct students on how to focus and further develop any areas that may need improving.

With this in mind the importance of Unit 6 is greater than ever for students to close any gaps in their subjects. It is paramount that students take full advantage of any extra work and for parents/carers to work with us to ensure that their child reaches their true potential.



Some key dates and information for Year 11 next year:

Year 11 Progress evening 05/01/22, Information regarding this event and how to book appointments will follow.

Post 16 Taster Day 07/01/22, giving Year 11 a taster session in their chosen Post 16 subjects. More information to follow.

Unit 6 will commence again the week begin 10/01/22, information to follow.

On behalf of all the Year 11 Team, I would like to wish you all a successful, exciting, and healthy 2022. I am very much looking forward to the year ahead and us all working together to support every student be the best possible version of themselves they can be.

Best wishes

Ian Housley
Head of Year 11



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Our Non-Uniform Day raised:

£1087.22

for CHILDREN IN NEED!

Thank you for your contribution!

Our Christmas Jumper Day raised £294.06 for SAVE THE CHILDREN! Thank You to all for your donations, and fabulous Yuletide jumpers!



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We wish you

Merry Christmas
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