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Headteacher's message

I would like to start this week's edition of Headlands Headlines by passing on my sincere thanks to a departing Headlands School governor - Mrs Isham. Since joining the governing body in 2012, Julie has dedicated an enormous amount of her personal time to strategically helping to lead the school's Student Services and Support for Learning teams.

Drawing on her previous experience as a headteacher, her calm, considerate, diligent approach has truly ensured the school's leadership team has been thoughtfully challenged, and equally supported.

Julie has remained resolute in our school's vision to make sure our student's happiness always comes first. I am sure students, parents, carers, staff, and governors will all join me in wishing Mrs Isham a retirement full of adventures (now she has the time) and excellent health.

Last week I outlined some of the "challenges" we need to overcome (in the next week!) to ensure students can return to school safely. Here is an update for you:

▢ **Student's well-being:** We will need to ensure from Day 1 that students have the opportunity to share with teachers, tutors, year leaders and the senior team, any concerns or worries they have had over the last few months. As such our first priority must be to ensure the first contact students have on their return to school is with their tutor.

From here we can then assess if any additional support is required and put in place appropriate provision, if required. As such the first week's timetable we are proposing will look like this:

Our proposal for week beginning 7 September 2020 is therefore:

Monday 7 September: Virtual Online Teacher Training Day

Tuesday 8 September:
9am - 10.30am Year 11
1pm - 2.30pm Year 13

Wednesday 9 September:
9am - 10.30am Year 10
1pm - 2.30pm Year 12

Thursday 10 September:
9am - 10.30am Year 9
1pm - 2.30pm Year 8

Friday 11 September:
9am - 1pm Year 7

All year groups will spend time in their tutor room with their tutor. They will have the opportunity to ask any questions about the hygiene measures we have introduced, have a tour of the site and walk through the school's new one-way system. They will also be issued with their new Student Planners and receive their Autumn Term timetable.

Students in Year 7 will also have the opportunity to purchase food in the school canteen, one Tutor group at a time, during a 15 minute mid-morning break. Please ensure your child comes with some money should they wish to make purchases.

▢ **School transport:** We will need to communicate to students the Government guidance on "keeping Covid-19 safe" on school transport to and from school to ensure they understand their role in keeping themselves safe. More detail on this will be in the letter home to parents next week.

In particular should parents and carers require transport to or from school during Week One, they will need to email admin@headlandsschool.co.uk by Friday 17th July.

▢ **School timetable:**

Phase 1:
Week commencing 7th September

Government Risk Assessment of CV-19 Community Transmission: Low

School Risk Assessment of CV-19 in School Transmission: Low

Phase 2:
Week commencing 14th September

Government Risk Assessment of Covid-19 Community Transmission: Low

School Risk Assessment of Covid-19 in School Transmission: Medium

During Phase 2, we are proposing students return to school for the following full school days:

Monday and Tuesday: Years 7, 9 and 11

Wednesday and Thursday: Years 8, 10 and Sixth Form

Friday: All year groups

The Senior Leadership Team and governors are of the view that implementing the Government guidance in our context carries a medium risk of in-school Covid-19 transmissions, which could then result in increased community transmissions. This is because at the time of writing, in Bridlington, the Covid-19 deaths remain higher than other towns within the East Riding of Yorkshire, according to the Office of National Statistics.

We are of the view that to ensure we can implement the Government's guidance to the best of all our abilities, a phased, staged return to school is the safest plan for our students and staff in our context. As such, our phased plans aim to have a full return to school for all students by Friday 18th September.

All year groups will be in school five days a week from Monday 21st September.

We are proposing therefore that students are split into year group "mega bubbles" with Years 7, 9 and 11 together and Years 8, 10 and Sixth Form being timetabled together. This will allow fewer students to be present in corridors at lesson change-overs, and allow us to split break and lunchtimes up across the school day.

More details in respect of the timings of breaks and lunches for year groups will be in the letter home to parents next week.

▢ **Hygiene:** we will need to ensure all 925 students clean their hands before entry to the school building, at break, before they eat, after they eat and when they leave their classroom. Please see our school Risk Assessment and Action Plan on the school website for more details on the hygiene measures we will be implementing.

▢ **Social distancing:** We will need to ensure all students understand the need to keep their distance from each other and observe social distancing to

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and from school, when in corridors and in social spaces and then between themselves and staff when in corridors, canteens and classrooms. As with our hygiene measures, please see the School Website for more information in our school Risk Assessment and Action Plan.

▢ **Teaching and Learning:** During their Tutor Induction changes to how Teaching and Learning will be approached in the classroom will be outlined and discussed with students. Furthermore, tutors will also lead a discussion on "blended learning" and what remote learning would look like for students in the Autumn Term, should a local lockdown be instigated.

▢ **Curriculum:** We will continue to ensure all our students have a wide variety of curriculum experiences,

including extra-curricular ones. Practical subjects such as PE, Performing Arts, Technology and Art are all working hard to think creatively about how our students can still access these hands-on subjects whilst also ensuring we meet the Government guidelines on equipment handling and the close student-to-student contact that sometimes these subjects cannot avoid.

Thank you to all the parents who have completed our online Parental Survey - your comments and views are as always really appreciated.

Finally from me, next Tuesday, Bridlington School and Headlands School intend to share with parents, carers and students our full plans for the Autumn Term in a letter (once we have finished the finer detail). I feel it is important to highlight here that over the last few months we have

continued to work closely with colleagues at Bridlington School, pooling ideas, sharing suggestions and talking through the professional and personal anxieties the pandemic has thrown our way.

I would like to take this opportunity to publically thank Mrs Parker-Randall for all her on-going support during these extraordinary times. Never has it been so important that as Leaders within the community of Bridlington, we all pull together to ensure that the forthcoming months for our students and their families, are as safe, calm and purposeful as we can possibly make them.

Thank you to you all for your continued messages of encouragement and support, it is very much appreciated.

Sarah Bone

Students and parents are asked to take note of latest version of Headlands School's uniform regulations, which apply from September 2020.

Blazer with school logo
White shirt with Headlands tie
Charcoal grey knee length school skirt
Or Black trousers
Plain flat black school shoes

Make-up



Only discreet make-up allowed. Students cannot wear blusher, contour, eye shadow, lipstick, lip liner, eye liner, eye brow shading or false eyelashes.



At Headlands School we wear our uniform with pride.

Blazer with school logo
White shirt with Headlands tie
Plain black trousers
Plain black school shoes

Suitable footwear



The following styles of footwear **do not** meet the school's uniform policy:



Nail polish is not permitted, nor is acrylic or any other form of false nails.

Bright unnatural hair colours are **not** allowed.



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The following are **not** allowed:

Trousers : denim, canvas, jogger, leggings.

Skirts : lycra, excessively short.

Tights : footless tights.

Shoes : boots, coloured sidewalls, piping, logos, stripes.



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Join in Virtual Sports Day

The Team Headlands Sports Day is one of the highlights of the school year – with much more than just races.

It's a fun-packed day with all sorts of attractions for all the year groups.

We will all miss not be able to enjoy the sports day fun this year but next week, Headlands is organising a virtual sports day for students and their families.

You will have from Monday to Friday next week (July 13th to 17th) to complete 10 set events. Record and upload your results.

We'd love to see pictures and videos

of your virtual sports day. Send them to the Google classroom, add them as a comment to the posts on our Facebook page or tag @Headlands_PE on Twitter

Not only is this a chance for us to come together as Team Headlands and have some fun, we also have some great prizes on offer.

There will be individual prizes for students but also rewards for families

who take part together and make a big effort.

Thanks to Jolly Jumpers, Urban Kitchen, Seven Coffee Shop and the Marine Bar who have provided vouchers for prizes.



Take part in exam survey

Below is a link to the Ofqual Consultation on the proposed changes to the assessment of GCSEs, AS and A Levels in 2021.

It is imperative that the parents and carers of students in Years 10 and 12 and our students complete this survey:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/proposed-changes-to-the-assessment-of-gcse-as-and-a-levels-in-2021>

(You will have to scroll to the bottom of the page to find the link)

It is worth noting - the Department for Education sets the curriculum content for examinations and it is Ofqual which implements the assessment systems to assess a student's understanding of the DfE's curriculum content.

So, in a nutshell, if the DfE haven't changed the curriculum content - Ofqual still have to plan to assess it all.

The DfE is assuming we are 'business as normal' from September and that every Year 11 and Year 13 student by the summer of 2021 will have been able to catch-up and not have experienced any more disruption to their learning experience and so therefore be perfectly able to be assessed on the full curriculum content of the subjects they have studied.

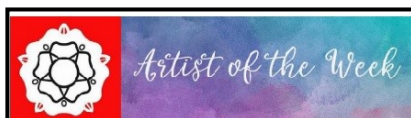
This is your chance to make a huge difference to what next summer could look like.

Emilee is our Artist of the Week

This week's Artist of the Week is Emilee Speck.

Mrs Bannister said: "Emilee has produced work weekly, and shown true dedication to her studies.

She is never afraid to ask a question and informs the constructive feedback into her explorations. I'm so incredibly impressed with her resilience to learn."



**Emilee
Speck**

Emilee has been working on a project around clothing for her coursework. Through studying artists, such as Jim Dine, she is starting to explore ideas for a resolved piece. Her experimentation with different mediums is exciting and shows creative flair. The use of obscure materials such as paper clips and crayons to make a dress is brilliant. Well done Emilee.



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