

Headteacher's message

Well, this week has certainly been a week of change - from the weather through to the national politics, there has definitely been a lot for us all to contend with in our day-to-day lives.

For the first time in my time here at Headlands School, we have not been able to host our annual Open Events.

Our Thursday Open Evening and Saturday Open Mornings are one of the highlights of the school calendar and are a great opportunity for the Headlands School community to come together and celebrate the great teaching and learning opportunities on offer here. Unfortunately, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, we, like many schools across the UK, have taken the decision to take these events online to keep everyone in our community as safe as we can.

As such, over the coming weeks please make sure you follow us on Facebook and Twitter to see our Open Event Videos from a range of aspects of the school.

For Year 6 parents, carers and students wishing to have an individual tour of the school, we will be opening our doors on Monday 7 December for socially distanced appointments with a member of the Senior Leadership Team.

Appointment slots will be made available nearer the time via our Facebook page.

Sarah Bone

Parents' Evening

Next week would have been Parents' Evening, but this is another event we cannot hold in the usual way.

Instead, tutors will phone parents and carers from Thursday, 1 October, to discuss how students are settling back into school.

Tutors will also pass on messages from subject teachers, where appropriate.

This week, the Senior Team and I have had the pleasure of meeting students across years 7 to 11, in a socially distanced, organised manner, to talk to them about their return to school and any worries and anxieties they may have.

A reminder of who the Senior Leadership Team comprises of and their allocated year groups can be seen here:

Headteacher: Mrs Bone, Year 7
Deputy Head: Mrs Stamford, Year 11

Assistant Head Behaviour: Mr

Edwards, Year 8

Assistant Head Assessment: Ms

Roberts, Year 9

Assistant Head Teaching and Learning and Curriculum: Mrs Rogers, Year 10

Feedback from the overwhelming majority of our students was really clear - they are so happy to be back in school and are thoroughly enjoying learning and being back in lessons with their friends.

Most importantly they report they feel happy and safe in school and are confident the measures we have in place can keep them safe - but it does rely on everyone to do their part.

Today saw our annual MacMillan Coffee Morning, hosted and led by our students in The Aspire ARC.

Last year, we raised more than £200 and this year we are hoping to raise even more!

Thank you to the students for organising this event - I appreciate it takes a great deal of co-ordination anyway, however in light of Covid -19 restrictions, I do understand they had to introduce additional safety measures and procedures.

All good future life and work skills which I am sure they will be able to put to great use!



MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT



Covid-19 letter

Public Health England has produced a letter for schools to distribute to parents which explains when a person requires a Coronavirus test and what the symptoms of Covid-19 are.

This letter was emailed to Headlands parents earlier this week, and can also be found on the school website, but here is a reminder of the key points.



a loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste

> This could be a sign of coronavirus

> > **Book a test**

If your child has: a runny nose, is sneezing or feeling unwell But they don't have:

a high temperature a new, continuous cough, or a loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste

These are not normally symptoms of coronavirus

Seek advice from a pharmacy, dial 111 or see your GP

Here is the timetable for extra curricular activities for Winter 2020.

- Students must sign up for their clubs before attending, to check there will be capacity for them.
- Students should commit to attending for the entire half term.
- Students still receive 100 stamps each time they attend as normal.

HEADLANDS SCHOOL

MONDAY

Breakfast Club: LRC 8:10am AFTER SCHOOL

Year 11 Art: Room 23/24 Netball: PF

Badminton: PE

Homework/Revision Year 7: LRC Cooking Club, Year 7: Room 40 Year 11 BTEC Sport Catch Up: Room 9 (Sign up at PE)

VIRTUAL

Cooking Club **Book Club**

Fitness - HITT training Use Google Classroom Code: 5fkomis

EXTRA CURRICULAR TIMETABLE **WINTER 2020**

TUESDAY

Breakfast Club: LRC 8:10am **AFTER SCHOOL** Homework/Revision Year 8: LRC

Hockey club: PE

WEDNESDAY

Breakfast Club: LRC 8:10am **AFTER SCHOOL**

> Year 8 Art: Room 23 Year 9 Art: Room 24

Table Tennis: PE Homework/Revision Year 9 and 11: LRC

THURSDAY

Breakfast Club: LRC 8:10am **AFTER SCHOOL**

Year 10 Art - Room 23/24 Year 7 and 8 Boys Football - PE Homework/Revision Year 10 - LRC

FRIDAY

Breakfast Club: LRC 8:10am

LUNCHTIME

Skateboarding club: PE

AFTER SCHOOL

Year 7 Art: Room 24 Gymnastics (Competition Squad

Only): PE