



Headlands HEADLINES

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Headteacher's message

As Year 11 and Year 13 complete the finishing touches to their GCSE and A-Level Assessments (and they have all worked so hard!), I have written to parents and carers of our current Year 10 to ask them to compose a personal letter to their son or daughter for their 'Hopes and Dreams' for the future.

I have made this request over the last four years and am always moved by the contents of these letters.

It is an absolute privilege to be able to share the moment with the students as they read their letters and watch their responses.

Parents and carers - you honestly cannot underestimate the difference these letters will make to your son or daughter over the coming weeks and months.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who completed our Student Self-Isolation Questionnaire this week.

The outcome was really clear. From the 421 responses received, 70% voted for Option B which is:

1. Initially self-isolate the entire year group for one day to allow the Leadership team the time to identify close-contact students in every lesson through teacher seating plans.
2. Close contacts will be defined as 'students who are within a two-metre radius of the student who has tested positive for COVID-19'.
3. Establish other 'close contacts' who have been with the positive student at social times, before and after school. Self-isolate the identified 'close contacts'.
4. Students in self-isolation would access their learning via Google Classroom resources independently - NOT 'live' lessons. This is because the students who sat beyond two



metres in each classroom could remain in school and be taught in person in class by their teacher.

5. Year Leaders would contact all those students in self-isolation, during term time, on a daily basis, to check they are, first and foremost, safe and, secondly, able to access Google Classroom resources and upload their completed independent work.

This procedure will also be instigated during holiday periods, as such just a reminder:

- Schools should only be contacted about positive cases where symptoms developed within 48 hours of the student being in school.
- As in previous holidays, our Facebook page will therefore be "silenced" from 3pm on Friday 28th May until 8.30am on Monday 7th June 2021, so please do not attempt to contact us via Facebook.

Instead, we have set up a designated COVID-19 email address: Covid19@headlandsschool.co.uk which will be looked at daily at 10am between Saturday, 29th May and Monday, 31st May. Please only email us at this address if:

1. Your child developed symptoms

within 48 hours of them being in school

AND

2. They have tested positive for COVID-19 via a PCR test

Any other queries sent to this email address will not be responded to. Only matters that meet the above criteria will be answered.

Should you have any other matters you wish to contact the school about during the May break please continue to email admin@headlandsschool.co.uk, noting this account will not be looked at until our return on Monday, 7th June.

Your support in helping us managing this period is very much appreciated.

We absolutely recognise the importance of our role in Track and Trace and remain hopeful that because of the operational procedures we have put in place, and the wider community's support, we can all have a safe, and peaceful, May Bank Holiday.

In the meantime, we must continue to work together as a community to ensure everyone can continue to stay safe and well.

Sarah Bone



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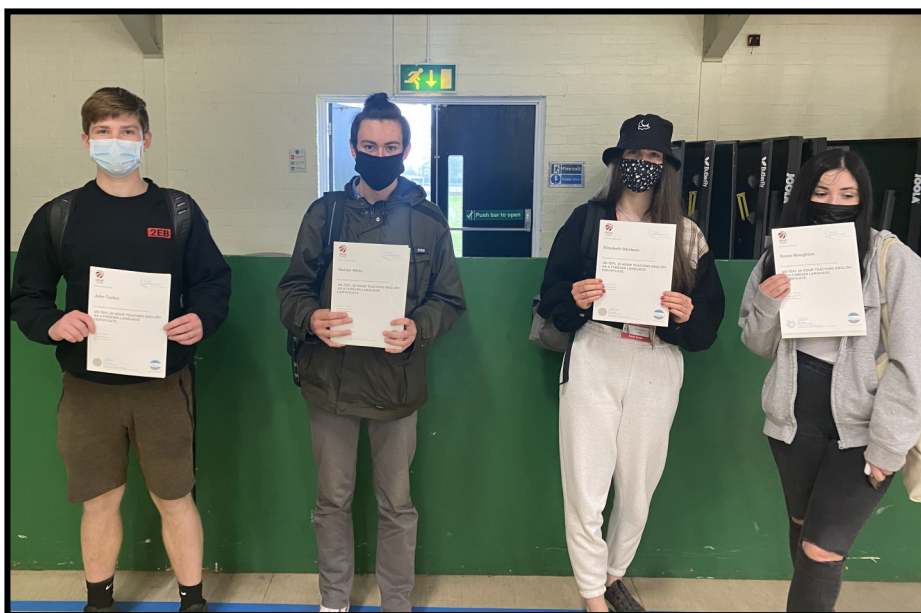
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Job vacancy: Apprentice lab technician

Team Headlands are looking to recruit an apprentice laboratory technician to join our science team.

- Term time only, 32.5 hours per week
- Fixed term for one year
- Closing date: Wednesday, 30th June

More details on the school website
<https://headlandsschool.co.uk/about-the-school/recruitment/>



Cricket appeal

Bridlington Cricket Club is keen to recruit new players in Years 7 and 8. Training is on a Friday, 6pm to 7pm, at Bridlington Cricket Club at The Gas Works, near the skatepark.

Interested? Please contact Vicki Leeson on 07588 425457 or Graeme Harvey on 07545 392293.

Careers Corner

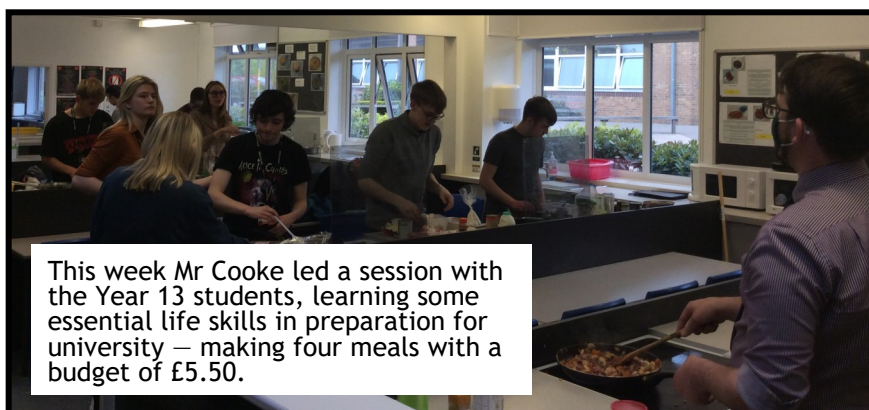
- The Team Headlands Careers Google Classroom is suitable for all year groups and is updated every week with links to videos, motivational talks and toolkits to help students decide on the right career for them. We would encourage parents to take a look with their children at the resources. The code is auz5ijv.
- This week, a link to University of York's hub for students in Years 7 to 11 has been added to the classroom. www.york.ac.uk/schools-and-colleges/pre-16/pre-16-hub/

Sixth Form students complete language course

Four of our Team Headlands Sixth Form students completed the UK Teaching English as a Foreign Language 20-hour course at school earlier this year.

Topics on the course included language, grammar, lesson planning, pronunciation and EFL levels, as well as ideas for teaching the different types of EFL classes. This is a worldwide recognised qualification and will obviously be beneficial for their future after they have left Headlands School.

Well done John Turton, Declan Atken, Elizabeth Ibbetson and Grace Boughton



This week Mr Cooke led a session with the Year 13 students, learning some essential life skills in preparation for university – making four meals with a budget of £5.50.