

Headlands School,
Sewerby Road, Bridlington,
East Yorkshire, YO16 6UR
Tel: 01262 676198
email: admin@headlandsschool.co.uk
website: www.headlandsschool.co.uk
Headteacher: Mrs Sarah Bone

16 July 2021

Dear Parent / Carer

Re: End of Term Arrangements

I am writing to you today to outline our End of Term Arrangements.

In the interests of public health, our arrangements have had to change significantly for the following reasons:

- 1. Rapidly rising number of COVID-19 cases in the local area is of a significant public health concern.
- 2. 30% of Headlands School staff have had to self-isolate due to either staff contracting COVID-19, family members contracting COVID-19 and / or primary aged children being required to self-isolate because they have either contracted COVID-19 or because their class bubble has to self-isolate.
- 3. At the time of writing every year group in the school has had student cases of COVID-19 within the last week. We are acutely aware that the disruption this week has caused students, staff and parents, potential stress and anxiety and we desperately want to allow the end of term to be as safe, and "normal" as possible.

So the End of Term Arrangements are:

A. <u>Monday & Tuesday</u>: <u>Live lessons</u> for all students during school hours <u>from home</u>. Students in self-isolation will need to remain in self-isolation. Those students not in self-isolation can continue "as normal" outside of school hours. The lesson times would be:

Tutor
Period 1 & 2
Break
Period 3 & 4
Lunch
Period 5

- B. <u>Wednesday:</u> Students not in self-isolation who have paid for and been allocated a place at Flamingo Land to attend the trip. Please note, students will be required to wear face coverings on the coach journey and as previously stated in correspondence, there is a COVID-19 "risk" associated with travelling on a coach in "close contact" with other students. Students not allocated a place and / or in self-isolation can access *lesson resources* on *Google Classrooms*. For those students not able to attend due to being in self-isolation we will re-arrange for September 2021.
- C. <u>Thursday</u>: Students not in self-isolation can attend Sports Day. Students to attend school "as normal" for Tutor Time. This is a predominately a day of outside activities. However please note, to state the obvious, students will still be in contact with one another. Sports Day finishes at 2pm. Transport arrangements have been made for students who require it. Students in self-isolation can access *lessons resources* on *Google Classrooms*.

D. <u>Friday:</u> Live lessons for all students during school hours <u>from home</u>. Students in self-isolation will need to remain in self-isolation. Those students not in self-isolation can continue "as normal" outside of school hours.

We would strongly recommend, for those students attending Flamingo Land and Sports Day, they undertake a <u>Lateral Flow Test on the morning</u> of <u>each of these days</u> <u>before</u> coming into school. Should you require Lateral Flow Tests please contact your child's Year Leader and we will arrange for delivery.

In addition, if your child has been required to self-isolate, undertaking a Lateral Flow Test that produces a negative result, *does not mean they can leave their home*. Lateral Flow Tests are not always 100% accurate and symptoms do not always develop within 48 hours - in our experience sometimes it can be up to 6 to 7 days. Students must therefore self-isolate if required to do so to stop the rapid spread of COVID-19 within our community.

Headlands ARC students will continue to operate as "normal" next week and the Student Services Team will contact families regarding in-school provision where we consider it to be appropriate. Please be reassured, we had sincerely hoped not to have to put these arrangements in place.

However, due to the reasons outlined in this letter, like so many schools and commercial businesses across the region and country, we have had to respond to a dramatically changing situation and, as we always do, place the happiness, health and safety of our students first. We are of the view these arrangements allow us to achieve this in the final week of term.

Thank you once again for your support during these extraordinary times.

Yours sincerely

Mrs S Bone Headteacher

## :PRIDE :ASPIRE :RESPECT

















