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Headteacher's Weekly Roundup Newsletter: Week 28

Dear Parent/Carer,

Spring Term Report and Summer Grading Guide:

This week we have started to send student's Spring Term school reports. Years 7, 8, 9 and 12 parents / carers will have received these by email. Years 10, 11 and 13 who are receiving grades in some or all of their subjects this year will be receiving their grades in the post with our Summer Examinations guide for parents / carers and students.

This guide sets out:

- the process of how students will grade this summer,
- the evidence base that will be used for each subject,
- the internal and external quality assurance processes,
- how reasonable adjustments will be applied on a student by student basis due to mitigating circumstances,
- how students / parents / carers inform us of any mitigating circumstances they feel we may not know about,
- how results days will work and the support we will give
- how the exam board appeals process works

This is clearly a very difficult time for our students who are grading this Summer and I must share with you how proud I am at how they have approached the whole process so far. We are in the process of explaining in detail our guide to ensure students fully understand the process and can ask us or let us know anything they feel they need to in relation to their 'basket of evidence' for each subject. As part of this students are being issued their Spring Term report and our Summer exams guide.

I know some of our students who are grading this Summer are feeling weary as they work tirelessly to generate evidence with their teachers to substantiate their final grade. Our students still have four weeks left to keep boosting their evidence base and we must all rally behind them to encourage them to keep going for four more weeks. Year 11 and 13 last day in school will be 28th May 2021. Year 10 will continue in school as normal until the end of the academic year and begin their Year 11 studies.

Year 8 Virtual Parents Evening:

We look forward to meeting our Year 8 parents for their virtual parents evening on Thursday 6th May, between 4pm and 7pm. The feedback on virtual parents evening has been very positive. Once we have collected the views from our Year 8 parents and carers next week we will be in a position to see if virtual parents evenings are a "Covid Keeper" to plan into next year.



Lateral Flow Tests:

Today we have issued more lateral flow tests to students who are taking part in the programme. Each student will be issued enough to be able to continue testing twice a week until 18th June 2021 at which point we will issue more. Should a student need to restock before this date please contact the year team.

Students in Year 11 and 13 will be issued enough tests to get to their leaving date of 28th May 2021, we are awaiting guidance as to how they restock after this date.

Students should continue to test twice a week on a Sunday night or Monday morning before school and on a Wednesday night or Thursday morning before school.

- Report every result to NHS <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>
- If 1st test is void – do another test and email office@bridlingtonschool.org.uk or telephone on 01262 607398 to tell us.
- If 2nd is void – self-isolate with household, arrange a PCR test and email office@bridlingtonschool.org.uk or telephone on 01262 607398 to tell us.
- If result is positive – self-isolate with household, arrange for a PCR test and email office@bridlingtonschool.org.uk or telephone on 01262 607398 to tell us.
- A negative PCR test would override the Lateral Flow result and allows you to stop self-isolating.

What to do if you have COVID-19 symptoms, are waiting for a test or have a test results?

Should you or any member of your household have symptoms or a COVID-19 test result at any time please do ring the information in to the absence line on 01262 607398 or office@bridlingtonschool.org.uk.

It is really important that you keep your child off school if someone in your household is waiting for a test and your household self-isolates if they have any symptoms of COVID-19:

- A new and continuous cough
- High Temperature
- Loss or change in sense of taste or smell

As always I would like to thank you for your support and should you have any questions, queries or concerns please do contact us on office@bridlingtonschool.org.uk and we will do all we can to help.

Yours sincerely,



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