



THE BHS BULLETIN - No. 20

W/c Monday 19 April 2021 - B Week

Dear Parents/Carers

Firstly, I do hope you and your family are safe and well.

On Monday, it was a pleasure to welcome students back into school after the two-week Easter break. I started the week holding a virtual whole school assembly in which I reminded the students of our vision and formally introduced our Bramhall High School values – Respect, Resilience and Excellence. These values will permeate through the school and we will ‘talk and walk’ them in everything we do. May I also take this opportunity to remind parents and carers about our vision statement.

‘Our vision is simple, ‘Every Student’ should achieve exceptionally well in ‘Every Subject’ they study to secure ‘Every Grade’ possible. Students should be encouraged to cherish ‘Every Hope’ they have, ‘Every Dream’ they pursue and ‘Every Aspiration’ they consider along the way.’

I mentioned before Easter that I would be holding a live event to finally introduce myself as well as discuss how I intend to take Bramhall High School forward. I can now confirm that this event will take place on Thursday 29th April and you will be able to forward questions and suggested areas of discussion prior to the meeting. I will be writing to you next week with the details on how to join the meeting.

The beginning of the week saw the second step on the roadmap out of lockdown. Whilst this has seen the reopening of many non-essential shops and leisure facilities, we must remember that many safety precautions remain in place. In particular, the wearing of face masks in all areas of school must remain in place until at least the 17th May. Can I also reiterate the new regulations surrounding a student who tests positive on a Lateral Flow Device (LFD) test. The following information comes directly from the Public Health England.

‘If anyone reports a positive result from a Lateral Flow Device the guidance now asks a confirmatory PCR test is taken, irrespective of whether the lateral flow test was taken at home or at a test site. This is a very recent change.

Contact tracing should begin as soon as the positive lateral flow results is known. If the case gets a negative PCR result from a test taken within TWO DAYS of receiving the positive lateral flow test result, the self-isolation requirement is cancelled for the case and their contacts.’

Finally, a request for your support over uniform and punctuality. As stated, before Easter we have taken a considerate and sympathetic approach to these areas. As we are now firmly on the roadmap for easing restrictions we will be insisting on the highest of standards in these areas. Students do need to be in their Core Time by 8.45am and in the correct uniform ready for learning. I make no apology for having high standards and have every faith that students will rise to meet them.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr P Williams
Headteacher



FLOWERS FOR OUR BEES WANTED!

Do you have any unwanted seeds/bulbs/cuttings or flowers, particularly if they are **bee friendly**?



Please send them into school and ask students to drop them off with Mr Butcher (Sc9) or Miss Ormston (Sc8)

April 2021 - Year 10 Internal Exams

The below timetable shows how your classroom mocks will take place after the Easter Break, based on your current timetables. Subject specific exams may be run over only one, both or more of the suggested slots dependent on the number of papers involved.

Date	Period	Exam
19 April	1	Option C
		Triple Science (Option C)
	2	Triple Science (Option C)
	3	10Y Maths Paper 1 (non calc)
	5	Option D
20 April	2	10X Maths Paper 1 (non calc)
	5	Option D
21 April	1	10X Maths Paper 1 (non calc)
		10Y Triple Science
	2	Option B
	3	10X Science
		10X Triple Science
	4	10Y Science
	5	10Y Maths Paper 1 (non calc)
22 April	1	10X Triple Science
	2	10Y Triple Science
	2	10X Maths Paper 2
	4	10Y Maths Paper 2
23 April	2 (&3)	Option A (double period available)
	4	10X Maths Paper 2
	5	10X Maths Paper 2



Medical

Childhood Vaccinations

Next Wednesday & Thursday the NHS Immunisation team will be in school to do a Catch-up clinic for the Year 9's and a few Year 8 & 10's. If your child missed any of their scheduled Vaccinations due to the Lockdowns, then the team will have identified them, and they will be given a time by their Core tutor next week.



Rapid Flow Testing (RFT)

I'm sure many of you will have established this into Sunday/Wednesday night regime but please remember that this is a significant way in which we can all stay safe and continue with the ability to return to doing the activities we have so missed.

This will only be possible if we follow the current guidance of-

1. Bi-weekly testing
2. Hands
3. Face
4. Space

Fresh air

Details are on the school website, under Covid, as to where you can obtain additional RFT kits from including school.

Unwell Students

Just a gentle reminder that if your child is unwell in school, we have a procedure that is 'Covid secure' within school and you would be contacted, by a member of staff, if a medical emergency occurred or if they were unwell and needed to go home.

Students have free access to the medical team at breaktime & lunchtime but so we don't jeopardise the Bubbles in Lesson time we have a 'triage' system initiated by their teacher.

Mrs H Renshaw

Medical Needs Coordinator





Safeguarding

Safeguarding: County Lines

This week the BBC reported how a 14-year-old had been groomed by a County Lines gang after responding to an advert on Snapchat which promised him cash-in-hand work.

County Lines is where illegal drugs are transported from one area to another, often across police and local authority boundaries (although not exclusively), and usually by children who are coerced into it by gangs.

The 'County Lines' is the mobile phone line used to take the orders of drugs. The criminals involved use children to move [and store] drugs and money and often use coercion, intimidation, violence (including sexual violence) and weapons.

The story highlighted the speed at which the gang acted after the boy's response - he was picked up within 80 minutes - and the way criminals have evolved their tactics during COVID-19 restrictions to target vulnerable children through social media platforms.

Ms J Kennedy

SLT Lead for Safeguarding, Pastoral Care & Attendance





Music Extra Curricular Clubs Re-Launch

As the Bramhall High Music department, we are re-launching an interim extra-curricular music programme of after school music clubs next week, starting from Monday 19th April.

The reason why it is an interim programme is because we normally run a lot more than this including two Orchestras, a Swing Band, a Strings group, a Rockschoo for all year groups, a Garageband computer remixing music club, and a large vocal ensemble full of students of all ages and year groups, but at the moment we are still not able to run all of these due to the complexities presented by the continuing government guidelines and it is vital we follow the school's risk assessment.

To summarise our offer (please read all of the following sections that apply to your son/daughter):

1) All Year 7 students

- a) If your son/daughter is a Year 7 student who enjoys singing they can attend Mr Pickton's singing group on a Wednesday after school until 4pm.
- b) If your son/daughter is a Year 7 student who already plays guitar, bass guitar, drums, keyboard/piano or is a singer who wants to be in a rock band, they can attend Rockschoo with Mr Wilson on a Monday after school until 4pm.

2) Year 7, 8 and 9 brass, woodwind, and strings players (orchestral instrumentalists)

All Year 7, Year 8 and Year 9 brass, woodwind, and strings players (orchestra instruments) should come to music with their instruments on Tuesdays after school straight after period 5 until 4pm.

3) Year 10 and Year 11 brass, woodwind, and strings players (orchestral instrumentalists)

All Year 10 and Year 11 brass, woodwind, and strings players (orchestra instruments) should come to music with their instruments on Thursdays after school straight after period 5 until 4pm.

Please also see our full extra-curricular music timetable on the next page.

All of the above may sound a bit complicated (it is very complicated!) so if you have any questions at all please feel free to email the Head of Music - Mr Pickton using dpickton@bramhallhigh.stockport.sch.uk.



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Interim Extra-Curricular Music Programme – Summer 2021

(Each session is 3pm until 4pm after school)

Starting Week Beginning Monday 19th April

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 7	Rockschool MU2 – Mr Wil- son	Orchestra MU1 (Woodwind, Brass and Strings Players) – Mrs Coe	Vocal Ensemble MU2 – Mr Pick- ton		
Year 8		Orchestra MU3 (Woodwind, Brass and Strings Players) – Mr Pickton			
Year 9		Orchestra MU2 (Next to MU2) (Woodwind, Brass, and String Players) – Mr Stonehouse			
Year 10				Orchestra MU3 (Woodwind, Brass and Strings Players) – Mr Stonehouse	
Year 11				Orchestra MU2 (Woodwind, Brass and Strings Players) – Mr Pickton	

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Year 7

Welcome back Year 7. I hope you all had a fantastic Easter Break, we were truly blessed with some fantastic weather at the start of the holiday, but by the end I think we had experienced all 4 seasons rolled into one finishing with a beautiful covering of snow!

The weather rather reflected all that we have had to endure throughout this first year at High School for you, with the highs and lows that the COVID epidemic has brought for everyone.

Now, like the promise of the sunshine and warmer days ahead, it is beginning to feel that we can slowly start adjusting to something that feels a little more normal for us all.



So you now enter your final term in Year 7.

You are a fantastic year group and should be immensely proud of how you have settled and coped with the rigours of life at High School under very difficult circumstances.

You have increasingly demonstrated a new found independence and self-management, skills that are vital in order that you can get the best experience and outcomes from your time here.

Welcome to Jack, Franco, Ahmad and Tara who have just started with us following the Easter break, thank you to all of you who have made them feel so welcome.

Have a wonderful weekend, I think the big yellow ball in the Sky might be out again. ENJOY!

Mrs S Ahmed
Head of Year 7

YEAR 7 Virtual Maths Club

Check your email account

Have a go at the tasks, send your answer sheet via email to Miss Pathan
(spathan@bramhallhigh.stockport.sch.uk).

You can get P points for having a go / full set of correct answers.

Don't hang about, have a go, this week's (WEEK 8) entries to Miss Pathan by Tues 20th April. It will be available on Friday 16th April. Well done to:-

Samantha V V 7JEE

Emma W 7ELR

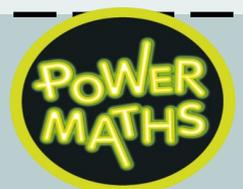
Samuel W 7ELR for Week 7 activity

You have all been given P3's



This Photo

Mrs Pathan
Maths Department



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Welcome back Year 8!

I hope you had a fun filled Easter break and enjoyed the changeable weather!!

I am so impressed with how you have settled back into school after a well-deserved break. This half term is a 7-week term so will give us lots of opportunity to settle back down into routines.



Expectations:

- ◆ To wear your masks correctly
- ◆ To wear your uniform correctly.
- ◆ To carry your uniform card with you at all times.
- ◆ No energy/fizzy drinks.
- ◆ Phone switched off and in your bags.

I want to wish two new students a warm welcome to our year group, Liam and Hashir.

Have a brilliant weekend and I look forward to another fantastic term!

Mrs A Conduit
Head of Year 8





Year 9

I hope that you have all had a lovely Easter break, despite the weather not being as good as last year!

It has been lovely to see you all back and I have to say that I am really impressed with each and every one of you this week.

As always, if you have any concerns please come and see me, and likewise If you have any good news, come and let me know. It would be great to be able to share some happy news.

OPTIONS

Options Information is now available on the website and you should have all received a paper copy of the options booklet before Easter. Please discuss this with your parents/carers and do not hesitate to speak to me / your core tutor / subject teachers if you have any questions.

Please do not worry or stress about it, come and speak to one of us!

REMINDER

All students are expected to be wearing full school uniform whenever they are on the school site.

- Blazer
- School Tie.
- Appropriate Trousers – no jeans / joggers
- Appropriate Footwear – no trainers / NO BOOTS
- Appropriate school skirts – no bodycon or rolled up and at a decent length.
- No Hoodies/black jumpers with a logo on them.
- Jewellery – one pair of stud earrings. No rings, bracelets, or facial piercings.

If there is an aspect of uniform we can help with, please let me know. We do appreciate your support with this.

Have a lovely weekend Year 9, let's hope that the sun starts to shine again

Mrs Stevens
Head of Year 9





Year 10

Best of luck to all year 10 students undertaking their mock examinations this week. Feedback from staff has been excellent so far, keep up the good work!

Be honest and realistic about the amount of time you have spent on each subject/ task/ learning objective. Quality revision trumps a huge quantity of revision, especially as we approach the first exam. I often suggest to students they work smarter *and* harder but working smart is the best thing you can do at this point.

There is still some time for last minute preparation if you are worried, I suggest using flashcards to quickly revise significant information before each exam. Make sure you have a good night's sleep before your exam and don't forget to eat throughout the day. Remember to give yourself plenty of time to arrive to school, unflustered and ready to get your best answers down.

Most of all remember that you get back from exams what you have put in during your classes and revision, you stand a much better chance of succeeding if you have put the work in. It is, however, never too late to start!

Good Luck

Mr Flynn
Head of Year 10



Year 11

You are a truly impressive group of individuals! Despite the changes affecting GCSEs, and the general uncertainties in the world, you have returned to school positive and focused.

Keep going. The time you have before leaving now is not 'down time'.

You need to continue to push to achieve the best grades you are capable of in order to protect your future. Having seen you this week, I genuinely feel you've got this. If you continue in this vein, you can and will get the best possible outcomes.

Miss J Kennedy
SLT Lead for Safeguarding, Pastoral Care & Attendance



PE Extra-curricular Programme – Summer 2021

Practices are available to all students and finish by 4.15pm

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 7	Rugby (Field) STB Netball LJT Mixed Tennis ALL	Mixed Cricket (Astro) TPA Mixed Rounders (Field) KED	Mixed Athletics (Field) LJT JF ALL	Mixed Trampolin- ing (Gym) NN Mixed Hockey (Astro) DA ALL	Mixed Basketball (SH) TPA
Year 8	Mixed Round- ers (Field) KED Mixed Cricket (Astro) TPA	Rugby (Field) RM	Mixed Trampolining (Gym) NN Mixed Athletics (Field) LJT JF ALL Girls Football (Astro) TPA	Mixed Hockey (Astro) DA ALL Mixed Tennis (Courts) SH	Football (Field) CK
Year 9	Mixed Round- ers (Field) LF	Mixed Tennis (Courts) STB	Mixed Athletics (Field) LJT JF ALL		Mixed Football (Astro) GB
Year 10		GCSE Netball (Courts) LJT Mixed Rounders (Field) LF	Mixed Table tennis (SH) STB KED Mixed Badminton (SH) STB KED	Football (Field) RB	
Year 11				Table tennis (SH) STB Badminton (SH) STB	



School Term Dates 2020 - 2021

A Reminder for Parents and Carers re the holiday dates for the remainder of this academic year.

Summer 2021.	Monday 12 th April 2021	School opens for staff & students
	<i>Monday 3rd May 2021: Bank Holiday</i>	<i>School closed for staff and students</i>
	Friday 28 th May 2021	School closes for half term
	<i>Monday 31st May 2021– Friday 4th June 2021: half term break.</i>	
	Monday 7 th June 2021	School opens for staff & students
	<i>Friday 25th June 2021</i>	<i>School now open to staff and students as the Inset day was moved to 6 January 2021</i>
	Friday 16 th July 2021	School closes (12.30pm) for summer





School Term Dates for 2021 to 2022

Autumn 2021	<i>Wednesday 1st September 2021</i>	<i>INSET day for staff</i>
	<i>Thursday 2nd September 2021</i>	<i>INSET day for staff</i>
	<i>Friday 3rd September 2021</i>	<i>School opens for staff and Year 7 students only (other students may also be called in on this day TBC)</i>
	Monday 6th September 2021	School opens for all students
	Friday 22nd October 2021	School closes for half term
	Monday 25th October 2021 – Friday 29th October 2021: Half Term Holiday	
	Monday 1st November 2021	School opens for staff & students
	Wednesday 22 nd December 2021	School closes (12.30pm) for Christmas
Thursday 23rd December 2021– Wednesday 5th January 2022: Christmas break		
Spring 2022	Thursday 6 th January 2022	School opens for staff and students
	Friday 11 th February 2022	School closes for half term
	Monday 14th February 2022– Friday 18th February 2022: Half Term Holiday	
	Monday 21st February 2022	School opens for staff & students
	Friday 1st April 2022	School closes for Easter
Monday 4th April 2022– Monday 18th April 2022: Easter break		
Summer 2022	Tuesday 19th April 2022	School opens for staff & students
	<i>Monday 2nd May 2022: Bank Holiday</i>	<i>School closed for staff and students</i>
	Friday 27 th May 2022	School closes for half term
	Monday 30th May 2022– Friday 3rd June 2022: Half Term Holiday	
	Monday 6 th June 2022	School opens for staff & students
	<i>Monday 27 June 2022</i>	<i>School closed to students: Staff INSET day</i>
	Thursday 21 st July 2022	School closes (12.30pm) for summer