

Parent & Carer Bulletin

Thursday 7 May 2020

Welcome to the first edition of our Parent and Carer Bulletin. We hope that this fortnightly communication will be a useful summary of the key information that we have sent home, updates for each year group and any upcoming events.

Full School Information

- Update letters from the CEO and Executive Principal were sent on 21 April and 6 May.
- A reminder and further guidance on how to access pastoral support was sent to all parents on 20 April.
- Guidance from the East Riding about online radicalisation and support is available here.
- Strategies to support your child with their health and well-being are available here.
- We hope you enjoyed watching our staff video which has been shared via social media to students, parents and friends of the school. If you haven't had chance to view it yet, just click this link and enjoy!
- A Hull and East Riding Mind newsletter, with tips to help your health and wellbeing, is available here. Please don't forget, Mind are offering support during this difficult time and if you would like to book an appointment slot, please email smulligan@heymind.org.uk.

Year 12 Information

- As we continue to develop our online platform, we welcome feedback around how it is working for Sixth Form students. Please access this link to share your feedback.
- Mr Andrews has issued a number of communications to students over the last fortnight, including: a UCAS update; a Next Steps Guide and a University Research Grid that he encourages students to complete.
- Mr Andrews has also shared UCAS information for parents, including: an update letter, a presentation and information on the application procedure.
- Information for Year 12 PE students regarding the new Learning Platform, 'EverLearner', is available here, alongside a parental guide and study guide.

Year 11 Information

• Mrs Loftus shared an update regarding sixth form transition work which is available here. We strongly encourage students to complete these bridging activities to ensure a smooth transition

into Year 12. Once work is completed, it should be submitted to the relevant subject support email.

- An options update for the Sixth Form was sent by Mr Andrews on 24 April.
- Any students who are interested in employment as a sixth form patroller should click here for further information. The deadline for application forms is 13 May.

Year 10 Information

- After Ofqual's consultation on awarding GCSE grades to Year 10 students due to sit exams this summer, we can now confirm that students will be awarded centre assessed grades for their RS examination. Further information can be found here alongside three guidance documents that Ofsted have released: a letter to students; Year 11 guidance that outlines the process for centre-assessed grades and further Year 10 guidance..
- An update to support Year 10 students with managing their workload can be found here. This is accompanied by a student guide that includes an example timetable for any students who wish to use it.
- Mrs Barker, our careers advisor, has now started telephone careers appointments with all students in Year 10. Further details have been emailed to students. If Year 10 students wish to book a careers appointment, they can do this by emailing Mrs Barker on: jbarker@driffieldschool.org.uk.
- As we continue to develop our online platform, we welcome feedback around how it is working for GCSE students. Please access this link to give your feedback.
- Information for Year 10 PE students regarding the new Learning Platform, 'EverLearner', is available here, alongside a parental guide and study guide.

Year 7, 8 and 9 Information

• An update to support KS3 students with managing their workload can be found here.. This is accompanied by a student guide that includes an example timetable for any students who wish to use it.

Other Useful Information

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- If you need a copy of your ParentPay activation code, please contact finance@driffieldschool.org.uk.
- The school can be emailed via office@driffieldschool.org.uk