



DRIFFIELD  
SCHOOL  
& SIXTH FORM

# Parent & Carer Bulletin

Tuesday 16 March 2021

It has been great to welcome students back into school after their initial lateral flow tests and we have been extremely impressed by the way all students have dealt with their return to classrooms. We would like to thank all parents and carers for their continued support over recent weeks. As always, we are extremely appreciative of all of the work you've done in terms of supporting at home with remote learning and also helping to prepare your children to come back to school after another lockdown. Many staff have commented on the enthusiasm and hard work that students, across all year groups, have demonstrated since their return last week.

## Full School Information

- We have shared details with our parents/carers of our students in [Key Stage 3](#) and [Key Stages 4 and 5](#) about how we are re-opening safely and are carrying out [lateral flow tests](#). Further information about the move to home testing with lateral flow home test kits from 22 March onwards has been [provided](#).
- During form time, students have enjoyed celebrating British Science Week. Further Careers information (including access to a free EtonX Self Study Course, Careers Appointments and Sixth Form) can be accessed through this [link](#).
- We are delighted to be [welcoming](#) a guide dog into our school community to assist one of our sixth form students. This guide dog is a trained companion for the student and there will be an online assembly for all our students to explain this. We thank you for your understanding and support.
- We continue to do everything we can to make sure students are supported in their lessons; if any student does need additional help, please contact their Head of Year or Head of House by emailing [pastoral@driffieldschool.org.uk](mailto:pastoral@driffieldschool.org.uk).
- If you have changed your contact details, please contact [office@driffieldschool.org.uk](mailto:office@driffieldschool.org.uk) or ring the school on 01377 253631 so we can update your details.

## Year 13 and Year 11 Information

- We have shared [initial plans](#) about the awarding of grades this summer with our Year 11 and 13 parents and carers. We appreciate the concern many students are feeling, given the continued uncertainty, and we will continue to provide you with updates when we are given the final guidance from Ofqual. If you have any queries or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact your Head of House or Mr Loftus (Vice Principal) or Mr Andrews (Sixth Form).
- We have also shared [additional information](#) with Year 13 parents and carers including an update about UCAS applications and student financing. A Student Finance [Information Evening](#) will be held on 24 March at 6 pm and please click here to [register](#) for the webinar.

## Year 10 Information

The Year 10 [Progress Evening](#) will take place on 17 March (for X half students) and 25 March (for Y half students) via video appointments. Telephone appointments can be made for anyone who is unable to facilitate a video appointment. Virtual appointments can be made by accessing this [link](#); if you need any assistance at all, please call the school reception on 01377 253631 or email [office@driffieldschool.org.uk](mailto:office@driffieldschool.org.uk).

## Year 9 Information

- [Details](#) have been shared about the diphtheria/polio/tetanus and the meningitis A/C/W/Y vaccines. If you would like your child to access this vaccine, please follow this [link](#) to complete an online consent form. Vaccinations will take place in school on 22 March 2021.

## Year 8 Information

- [Details](#) have shared about the HPV1 vaccine. If you would like your child to access this vaccine, please follow this [link](#) to complete an online consent form. This vaccine helps to protect against HPV infection to help reduce the risk of cancer. Click [here](#) for more NHS information.

## Other Useful Information

To access our website:

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- The school can be contacted by telephone on 01377 253631 or emailed at [office@driffieldschool.org.uk](mailto:office@driffieldschool.org.uk)