



DRIFFIELD  
SCHOOL  
& SIXTH FORM

# Parent & Carer Bulletin

Tuesday 18 May 2021

As we near the end of term, we would like to congratulate our Year 11 and Year 13 students on a successful end to their school year. Despite the difficulties they have faced during the global pandemic, we are very proud of the way they have conducted themselves during their GCSE and A Level studies; particularly in recent weeks during a busy time of in-class assessments. We are looking forward to celebrating their achievements in the leavers' assemblies we have planned for next week.

As restrictions continue to ease, we are hopeful that we will be able to offer after school extra-curricular activities to students in the final half term. These will be publicised to students in form times next week.

## Full School Information

- The guidance around face coverings in school is due to change from 17 May and we have shared with you updated [information](#) about this. Students will no longer need to wear a face covering in classrooms although if they wish to continue to do so they are welcome to do this. We have asked that students continue to wear face coverings in corridors and social areas until the half term break. The guidance on public transport remains unchanged, therefore students accessing school via public transport will still need to wear a face covering. Thank you again for your continued support with this.
- The Whole School Approach team at Hull and East Yorkshire Mind continue to work with us and have [asked](#) if you could complete a quick 10 minute [survey](#) to learn more about your current health and well-being. The more responses they get, the better they are able to understand the needs within our school community so your continued support with this is much appreciated.
- There is lots of exciting news in our [careers update](#), including virtual work experience opportunities, Waterline Student Challenge, Year 10 taster visits to East Riding College, Apprenticeship Opportunities and the National Citizen Service. If you have any questions, please contact Ruth Mortimer, Co-ordinator of CEIAG.
- 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).

## Year 13 Information

- We have shared with you [information](#) about the evidence that will be used to form the basis for Teacher Assessed Grades this year. There is a detailed assessment topic [overview](#), an [Ofqual guide](#), and a [special consideration](#) form for you to raise any concerns about any of the evidence being used. If you have any questions at all, please contact Mr Andrews (Head of Sixth Form)

- As studies come to a close, we have asked that all text books be returned during lessons week commencing Monday 17 May. [Details](#) of the specific books to be returned have been provided and if you have any queries, please email [library@driffieldschool.org.uk](mailto:library@driffieldschool.org.uk).

### Year 12 Information

- Details of the [Year 12 progress](#) evening have been shared with parents and carers. This will take place on Thursday 27 May from 4.30pm to 7.00pm and will continue to be held online by video. If you do not have video capability for this meeting, please let Mr Andrews know and we will facilitate a telephone call instead.
- We have shared details of the [UCAS online Information Evening](#) which will take place virtually on Thursday 20 May 2021 at 6.00pm. This is hosted by the University of Hull Schools and Colleges Engagement Team and provides an insight into the process of applying to university, the importance of making informed choices and student finance. Remember to register prior to the event so that even if you are not able to attend at the time, you will receive a recording to watch when convenient.

### Year 11 Information

- We have shared with you [information](#) about the evidence that will be used to form the basis for Teacher Assessed Grades this year. There is a detailed assessment topic [overview](#), an [Ofqual guide](#), and a [special consideration](#) form for you to raise any concerns about any of the evidence being used. If you have any questions at all, please contact your child's Head of House.
- End of year arrangements have been [shared](#) with you to give our students the best possible send-off they deserve, within the current restrictions. A special celebration will take place on the morning of Tuesday 25 May and there will also be the opportunity to have a group photograph. We've also shared with you the 'Activate' transition programme that will run for those students joining us in the Sixth Form in September and please don't hesitate to contact Mr Andrews if you have any questions we can support you with.
- We have sent out further plans for the annual Year 11 Prom. If restrictions are relaxed to allow large social gatherings, this will be held on [16 July](#) for our current Year 11 students and on [25 June](#) for those students who completed Year 11 in the 2019/20 school year.
- As studies come to a close, we have asked that all English books be returned during lessons week commencing Monday 17 May. [Details](#) of the specific books to be returned have been provided and, if you have any queries, please email [library@driffieldschool.org.uk](mailto:library@driffieldschool.org.uk).

### Year 10 Information

- Assuming the government road map continues as planned, a GCSE Geography Field trip to York is scheduled to take place either [Monday 5 July](#) or [Friday 9 July](#). Details have been shared with parents and carers for the specific day for your child.

### Year 7 Information

- [Details](#) of the change to the dates of Year 7 progress evenings have been shared with parents. These will now be held on Wednesday 9 June for the X half and Thursday 17 June for the Y half. A further communication will follow shortly with details of how to book appointment slots.

### Other Useful Information

To access our website:

[driffieldschool.net](http://driffieldschool.net)

- The school can be contacted by telephone on 01377 253631 or emailed at [office@driffieldschool.org.uk](mailto:office@driffieldschool.org.uk). If you have changed your contact details, please let us know so we can update your details.