



DRIFFIELD
SCHOOL
& SIXTH FORM

Parent & Carer Bulletin

Wednesday 15 December

As we near the end of a challenging but ultimately rewarding term, we would like to thank all parents and carers for their ongoing support across the whole of 2021.

We would also like to thank our students for adapting to the changing routines this term and engaging so positively in their lessons. It remains a real privilege to see them working hard in their lessons and enjoying the range of extra-curricular activities we have on offer.

We would also like to thank all the staff for giving so freely of their own time to ensure that things have returned to (near) normal where possible.

We wish you and your families a safe and merry Christmas and a much better 2022!

Full School Information

- We have shared details of a [staggered start](#) for the January re-opening and details of the guidance for [lateral flow testing](#). Tuesday 4 January will be closed to all year groups (due to the calendared staff training day) and Wednesday 5 January will be open for Year 11 and Year 13 students. Lateral flow testing onsite will take place on 4 January for Year 11 and Year 13 students and for all other year groups on 5 January. We thank you for your ongoing support.
- We thank you for your ongoing support in ensuring your children wear the correct uniform. Please access this link for [full details](#) of the school's dress code. We are mindful that some students may need new items of uniform for the start of term and full details can be accessed via this [link](#).
- The school nursing team have shared with us [details](#) of the Chat Health service which is available to support our students by texting CHAT to 07507 332891.
- We continue to work with Ms Mulligan from MIND, as part of the Trust's Be Well Programme and to access support please talk to your child's Head of Year or Head of House or email smulligan@heymind.org.uk.
- Thanks to the feedback from yourselves towards the end of last year, we are now in a position to announce a [series of workshops](#) and sessions to support parents and carers in our school community. Some of these are academically focused and we've also been fortunate to work with MIND to include a programme of sessions which will focus on supporting children's mental health. If you are interested in attending, please complete this [registration form](#). All [session resources/recordings](#) will be available on the school website.
- Please remember if your child is absent from school for any reason to ring the school's attendance line on 01377 253631 and selection option 2.

Sixth Form Information

- We have shared an [update](#) with Geography students regarding the residential field trip to Naples. Thank you for your continued support with this when dealing with changing circumstances around Covid-19 and the new Omicron variant.

Year 11 Information

- A trip will take place to see [A Christmas Carol](#) in York for Year 11 and Sixth Form English students. Coaches will depart from the Leisure Centre school entrance at 6 pm on 17 December and should hopefully return by 11 pm.
- [Mock exams](#) have been taking place in these last two weeks of term and we have been delighted with the hard work that students have put in to prepare for these exams. The exams team have been really impressed with how the students have conducted themselves during these exams.
- [Leaver hoodies](#) will be provided through Leavershoodies.com, a reliable organisation previously used by the school. An online shop will be created and this year's design will have all students' names printed in the figure 22 on the back (with the optional addition of their surname across the shoulders). Please click this [link](#) to give consent to your child's name being printed.

Other Useful Information

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driffieldschool.net

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