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Weekly Communication to Parents/Carers | Friday 27 November 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

Here are the latest school messages and updates for your information plus details of any letter sent home during the last week.

HEADTEACHER'S UPDATE

Dear Parent/Carer

A great week welcoming back students who are delighted to be back in school - a reminder there is no replacement for a great day at school for young people. During this absence we have taken the opportunity to reset all rooms and resources alongside making our expectations clear upon the return of each year group. We continue to raise our expectations to ensure our environment continues to deliver a high quality of education.

Student aspirations are clearly illustrated in our sixth form with the last three years' destinations illustrated on new large maps, highlighting student destinations. I trust those who attend our virtual Sixth Form Evening found it informative and useful as you discuss A Level choices with your son/daughter. We encourage all Year 11 students to think about their long term aspirations as they select their A Level courses. We look forward to discussing this with students over the coming weeks as Year 9 begin to think about their GCSE options in the New Year. More details to follow as we approach our virtual options evening.

The virus is still very much with us and please continue to discuss the importance of the safety routines with your child/children so they fully understand their responsibility in keeping everyone as safe as possible. Should you have any concern about your child's symptoms or emerging symptoms, please do not send them to school and book a test.

We are here to support all our young people with their learning at all times and please do not hesitate to get in touch if you need further support in any of the adjustments we are making. Please refer to the 'Who to contact at St Katherine's' table below. We are always keen to hear your feedback and please share this using this [form](#).

Wishing you all a restful weekend.

Kind regards

Mr Humphreys
Headteacher

WHO TO CONTACT AT ST KATHERINE'S

For queries about:	Name	Contact:
Safeguarding	Mrs K Crocker	crockerk@skdrive.org
Courses, assignments or resources		Subject Teachers
Access to online library resources	Ms Wyld	wyldl@skdrive.org
Technology related	Mr A Francis-Black	francisblacka@skdrive.org
SEND	Mrs F Slater	slaterf@skdrive.org
Curriculum	Miss K Richards	richardsk@skdrive.org
Learning@Home resources	Miss K Richards	richardsk@skdrive.org
Personal well being		Tutor or Head of House
General queries		school@skdrive.org
Free School Meals		kilgallond@skdrive.org
Reading logs	Immalee Wild	wildi@skdrive.org
Sixth Form	Geraint Davies	daviesg@skdrive.org

MESSAGES

Mrs Ivey	Year 11	Year 11 assessments continue next week, with students completing a physics assessment. To support students with this assessment we will be providing two revision sessions after school on Monday and Tuesday with Miss Ardell.
Miss Gardiner	Year 11 Future Quest	Year 11 have a Future Quest meeting on Tuesday 1 Dec at 8.45am in CR1 . This virtual session will be on Positive Mindsets. The Future Quest cohort have been told when and where to go. Any questions about Future Quest please contact Miss Gardiner on gardiners@skdrive.org
Maths	Year 10 & 11	Maths revision guides and workbooks (2 separate support books) are now available on parentpay until 11/12/20. The correct ones for your child will automatically show on parentpay.
Miss Richards	Year 9	Following the learning@home period for Year 9, we would like to hear your views on how the two weeks have gone and any suggestions as to how we could continue to develop our learning@home provision. If you would like to feedback, please complete this short form by Wednesday 2 December.
Miss Richards	Year 7	Following the learning@home period for Year 7, we would like to hear your views on how the two weeks have gone and any suggestions as to how we could continue to develop our learning@home provision. If you would like to feedback, please complete this short form by Wednesday 2 December.

Miss Adams	CST virtual Christmas concert	Normally at this time of year we would be in the midst of school show rehearsals but obviously that cannot happen this year. Instead, we are inviting students to record a performance at home and submit it for a virtual Christmas concert. Students can play an instrument or sing; it doesn't have to be a Christmas piece but it would be nice if it could be festive in some way; perhaps they could wear a Christmas jumper or stand in front of the Christmas tree? All the details have been posted on the music google classrooms for students to access. Please encourage your son/daughter to get involved. Deadline for submissions is Monday 7 December at noon.
Miss Sutton	Food technology classes	<p>Miss Sutton's Food classes The following practicals will be taking place next week: Monday 30th November - 8r Cheese straws Tuesday 1st December -9l Pasta Florentina Wednesday 2nd December - 7r Fruit Salad Thursday 3rd December - 11c Pasta (ingredients can be bought from the school for £2) <p style="text-align: right;">After school - Meringue sandwiches</p> Friday 4th December - 10c Victoria Sandwich</p> <p>Ingredients have been posted on ClassChart. Aprons are compulsory for the lessons.</p>
Mr Harding Chair of Governors	All years	<p>Parent Governor Election</p> <p>You may recall that I recently invited nominations for a Parent Governor vacancy on the school governing body. This has resulted in three parents being put forward. As this is more than the number of current vacancies on our local governing board, an election will now be held within our parent community.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Who may vote? All parents of (or individuals who have parental responsibility or cares for) pupil(s) registered at school are entitled to vote. ● How many votes does each person have? Each person may vote for one person only and can only submit one ballot paper regardless of the number of children they have attending school. ● How to vote Online: If you follow this link you will find brief statements written by each of the three candidates and a voting ballot paper. This ballot can only be used once; if there is another family member who is entitled to vote and has not received a ballot paper they should contact the Clerk to the Governors clerk@skdrive.org or telephone 01275 376852 who will be able to issue them a further ballot paper. <p>Completed ballot papers should be returned electronically to school. All votes will be confidential.</p> <p>Paper ballot: 'If you do not have access to a device with email or have difficulty using email, a postal ballot facility can be provided - please ring the Clerk to Governors (telephone: during normal school hours) for a ballot paper and details of the candidates.</p> <p>Confidentiality: All votes will be confidential. (Unfortunately, votes cannot be anonymous as we need to make sure that no-one votes more than once. The Clerk will be the only person to see the ballot and your online vote will not be connected to your identification.)</p>



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- The closing date for completed ballot papers is 4:00pm on Friday 11 December 2020 -

Data Protection: The personal information requested in this form is required to verify your status in respect of a registered student(s) at St Katherine's School. When handling this 'data' we are obliged to comply with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).[see also Data Protection on school website].

LETTERS - click [here](#) to see all letters from this academic year

Year 7
Year 10
Year 9

Year 7 Girls' PSHE Lesson 4.12.20
Year 10 PSHE
Year 9 PSHE

All Years

Confirmed case of Covid-19 in Year 10 and Year 8

UPCOMING EVENTS - click [here](#) to see all upcoming events

Thursday, 10 December
Friday, 18 December

16:00-19:00 Year 10 Progress Evening (Virtual)
END OF TERM 2 - Early Close 12.30pm finish