

Weekly Communication to Parents/Carers | Friday 15 October 2021

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 Parents/Carers

A wonderful climax to another great week with our Black Lives Matter football match involving Year 9 and Year 10s. An end to end game with a last second goal to seal victory, alongside entertaining commentary and music from our very own Mr Court and Mr Davies. The match was very well supported by students and we look forward to more events next week.

As a positive and productive term draws to a close, can I remind parents/carers not to arrange to meet their child/ren at the top of school during the school day. This is a safeguarding concern and all calls during the day must be made via the school. A reminder we have a school fence and entrance gates being installed over the coming weeks and all visitors will be required to press a buzzer at the new entrance gate to gain access through the new gates. The car park will remain outside of the perimeter fence.

Attendance continues to be impacted by illness and COVID-19 with all year groups affected by positive LFDs and PCR tests. Please continue to ensure your child brings a mask to school and test twice weekly, reporting this to school. Thank you for your cooperation.

Thank you to those parents/carers who attended last night's Parent/Carer Association Meeting. Minutes will be circulated shortly and posted on our website and we look forward to meeting in person for the next one at the beginning of 2022.

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](#).

Best wishes

Justin 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 / sendteam@skdrive.org for day to day issues
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

Anonymous way to report a concern about a student: [Tell Someone Form](#)

MESSAGES

Miss Richards	All years	<p>Vaccinations:</p> <p>As communicated previously, the Covid-19 and Flu vaccines will be delivered next week on Monday (Y7 & Y8), Tuesday (Y9, 11S, 11P1 & 11P2) and Wednesday (Y10, 11T, 11Y1 & 11Y2). If your child has tested positive for Covid within the last 28 days, they should not receive the vaccine at this time. If your child is absent, we have been informed that community vaccination opportunities will be made available.</p> <p>Our local SAIS provider, Sirona Care & Health, is legally responsible for the delivery of the Covid-19 vaccine and flu vaccine. Please complete the consent forms by midnight on Saturday 16th October. If Sirona Care & Health do not receive your completed consent forms, they may contact you in order to discuss your wishes for your child. The consent forms are linked below. St Katherine's is not delivering or responsible for the vaccines and so will not have access to any of the consent data that is gathered.</p> <p>Link to the COVID-19 consent form Link to the nasal flu consent form</p> <p>For further information, please see the letter shared this week.</p>
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Mrs Crocker	All years	<p>Internet Safety</p> <p>The UK Safer Internet Centre provides really useful resources for parents to help them support their children to keep themselves safe online. This article from their website sets out the issues for parents and their children as well as containing a link to the Childnet's Hot Topics. Please take some time to explore the UK Safer Internet Pages to find support and advice for your family.</p> <p>Link to the UK Safer Internet Article</p> <p>Link to Childnet's Hot Topics</p>
Mr Dawes	Year 9	<p>Year 9 Boys Rugby Practice has moved to Thursday evenings. All are welcome.</p>
Mrs Lewis	Years 7-9 Science (KS3)	<p>There is a link on Parentpay for all Year 7 parents to purchase a science revision guide to help students with assessments for the next 3 years. We have also added this to Parentpay for all Year 8 and Year 9 students who did not purchase them previously. Year 9 will have their end of KS3 assessment in January so this will be very useful for them to prepare.</p>
Mrs Jenkins	Food and nutrition students	<p>Practical lessons for next week:</p> <p>Monday 18th October - 7r Croque Monsieur</p> <p>Tuesday 19th October - 9l Pizza</p> <p>Tuesday 19th October - 8l Tuna pasta bake</p> <p>Wednesday 20th October - 10c Vegetable curry</p> <p>Wednesday 20th October - 11c Party food own choice</p> <p>Friday 22nd October - 7l Spicy bean burger</p> <p>Please ensure all students bring in an apron from home. All practicals have been set as homework on ClassCharts.</p>
Miss Adams	Trailblazers students	<p>The trailblazers scheme is now up and running with the flute group having had 2 lessons already. Clarinets and saxophones are due to start on Monday 18 October and students have been informed of their lesson time. Other instruments will be following shortly. I have set up a trailblazers google classroom to post information and notices and all trailblazers students and parents have been invited to join this. Please check your emails and accept the invitation.</p>

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

All years Year 10	Covid and Flu Vaccine Consent Work Experience 2022
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UPCOMING EVENTS - click [here](#) to see all upcoming events

18-20 October 22 October 1 November 2 November 3 November	09:00-15:00 Flu/Covid Vaccinations END OF TERM 1 INSET DAY INSET DAY START OF TERM 2
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