

## Weekly Communication to Parents/Carers | Friday 3 December 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.

MESSAGES		
School	All years	<p><b>New school gates</b>  <b>The new school gates provide an additional safety measure for our school community and will be fully operational from Monday 6 December.</b></p> <p>The gates are scheduled to be closed during the school day and visitors will need to push the call bell on the gate for reception. Our reception team will release the gate for access and visitors are asked to then proceed to reception as normal.</p> <p>We ask that you do not arrange to meet your child at the gates to pass on forgotten items such as lunch, PE kit etc. and to follow the usual procedure of reporting to reception in person. We will always pass on items or messages that come in during the day. We thank you for your support with this.</p>
Miss Richards	All years	<p><b>Covid 19 Testing</b>  <b>We have been informed by the Department for Education that we are expected to implement on site Covid-19 testing once again for January 2022.</b> Each student will be asked to complete one test upon their return. Testing will be carried out by students and supervised by a trained adult. Students will be asked to come out of lessons during the first three days of term to complete the test.</p> <p>We will assume that the latest consent we hold on record for your child remains the same unless parents contact the school to inform otherwise. If your child has tested positive for Covid-19 since Wednesday 7 October, they will not be expected to complete the lateral flow test when they return to school. To ensure students are not asked to complete their lateral flow test where this is the case, please inform us via <a href="#">this form</a> if your child has tested positive for Covid-19 since Wednesday 7 October.</p> <p>If your child tests positive between now and our return, please inform the school via email - <a href="mailto:school@skdrive.org">school@skdrive.org</a></p>
Mr Humphreys	All years	<p><b>Headteacher coffee morning</b>                      It was lovely to meet and catch up with parents/carers yesterday at the Headteacher coffee morning. We are planning to make this a termly event so look out for future dates in the weekly communication to parents/carers.</p>
Miss Jones	All years	<p>If your child/ren has a medical appointment that can only be attended during the day, please remember <b>we can only authorise a half day absence</b>. We expect students to either attend the morning or afternoon session. If your child/ren are unable to attend for the whole day then please contact the attendance line explaining why. We ask that medical evidence is provided to support any absences.</p>
Ms Wyld	All years	<p><b>Readathon sponsorship</b> - please do pay in online, or bring cash to the LRC as soon as possible. Huge thanks to everyone who took part!</p>

Mr Hodgson	Adventure Training Club  Year 9-13	<b>Brecon Beacons walk on Sunday 5 December.</b> Providing the weather is fine, we are looking to start early on the Sunday to make the most of the light. <b>Information and forms can be found on the ATC Google Classroom.</b> Code for the classroom is whwymkh Link to join is <a href="#">here</a> .
Miss Adams	Year 7	<b>All of Year 7 have been working really hard on the Christmas songs project during their music lessons this term.</b> They are going to be performing and recording these songs during the school day on Friday 10 December. Please support your child to <b>learn the song lyrics. All song lyrics have been posted in their music google classrooms.</b>
Mrs Lewis	Year 7 Science	<b>All year 7 students will have a science test during the last week of term. Science teachers will post revision lists and revision materials on the science google classrooms.</b> Please also ensure if you have purchased a science revision guide for your child that they collect this from the library to use as a revision resource. Link to the revision list is <a href="#">here</a> .
Mrs Jenkins	Food and nutrition students	<b>Practical lessons for next week:</b> Monday 6th December - 7r Deli Salad Tuesday 7th December - 9l Swiss roll Tuesday 7th December - 8l Flapjacks Wednesday 8th December - 10c Spinach and ricotta ravioli Wednesday 8th December - 11c Sticky Toffee Pudding Thursday 9th December - 8r Flapjacks Thursday 9th December - 10d Spinach and ricotta ravioli Friday 10th December - 7l Deli salad Friday 10th December - 9r Swiss roll  Please ensure all students bring in an apron from home. All practicals have been set as homework on ClassCharts.

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

All years	Covid 19 - Important Reminders
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**UPCOMING EVENTS - click [here](#) to see all upcoming events**

15 December 16 December 17 December	Years 10-13 Media Trip to Warner Bros Studios Festive Lunch <b>END OF TERM 2 - Early Close. Staggered departure from 12.50.</b> <b>Coaches leave at 13:05.</b>
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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.

### WHO TO CONTACT AT ST KATHERINE'S

For queries about:	Name	Contact:
Safeguarding	Mrs K Crocker	<a href="mailto:crockerk@skdrive.org">crockerk@skdrive.org</a>
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Courses, assignments or resources		Subject Teachers
Access to online library resources	Ms Wyld	<a href="mailto:wyldl@skdrive.org">wyldl@skdrive.org</a>
Technology related	Mr A Francis-Black	<a href="mailto:francisblacka@skdrive.org">francisblacka@skdrive.org</a>
SEND	Mrs F Slater	<a href="mailto:slaterf@skdrive.org">slaterf@skdrive.org</a> / <a href="mailto:sendteam@skdrive.org">sendteam@skdrive.org</a> for day to day issues
Curriculum	Miss K Richards	<a href="mailto:richardsk@skdrive.org">richardsk@skdrive.org</a>
Literacy Development	Ms J Jefferson	<a href="mailto:jeffersonj@skdrive.org">jeffersonj@skdrive.org</a>
Learning@Home resources	Miss K Richards	<a href="mailto:richardsk@skdrive.org">richardsk@skdrive.org</a>
Personal well being		Tutor or Head of House
General queries		<a href="mailto:school@skdrive.org">school@skdrive.org</a>
Free School Meals		<a href="mailto:kilgallond@skdrive.org">kilgallond@skdrive.org</a>
Reading logs	Immalee Wild	<a href="mailto:wildi@skdrive.org">wildi@skdrive.org</a>
Sixth Form	Geraint Davies	<a href="mailto:daviesg@skdrive.org">daviesg@skdrive.org</a>
Anonymous way to report a concern about a student: <a href="#">Tell Someone Form</a>		