

HBK Update, Friday 16 July 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

Here is your last Friday HBK update of the school year! There will be at least one further update next week, before term finishes.

COVID Contact tracing from 19 July - message from Mr Cooke, Vice-Principal

From next Monday 19 July, **the NHS** will carry out contact tracing in the event of a positive COVID-19 PCR test. This is a significant change - as you know, as up to now this responsibility has fallen to the school and we have carried out contract tracing, including this week, every time we have had a positive case.

Full details of how contact tracing will work from 19 July from the Department for Education can be found [here](#). Please note that students who are **currently** self-isolating need to continue to do so and complete their self-isolation period – these changes to contact tracing only apply to new cases of COVID-19 from Monday 19 July. Those advised to self-isolate by the NHS should still, of course, self-isolate for 10 days.

Summer results – message from Ms Nightingale, Vice Principal

GCSE, AS and A Level Appeals

Here is the link to the **Appeals video (released last week)**:

<https://youtu.be/1qsmjKBOBTE>

Just in case you have missed any of the previous updates, here are the links:

Results Day Update:

<https://youtu.be/iWid1yoTmVU>

How Grades will be awarded Update

<https://youtu.be/ZWbMwPx9GjI>

Mitigating Circumstances and the Body of Evidence Update

<https://youtu.be/YocxEqbtjww>

Also here is the link to the appeals page on our website. More information will be added as it is ready, including a video on how to complete your appeals form and the JCQ parent and student guidance booklet:

<https://www.hinchingbrookeschool.net/page/?title=Appeals+Process+%2D+Summer+2021&pid=910>

September 2021 Information - message from Mrs Tandy

The following video will be shown to students next week in Form Time and will be available on our social media pages towards the end of the Summer holiday. It details information about the start of term in September, including lateral flow testing. We will be sending a letter with more information about the lateral flow testing before September.

https://youtu.be/2W310A7_x3U



[HBK September Information 2021](#)

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Summer Music Concert last night!

I would like to say a huge thank you and well done to the students who performed in last night's music concert that was held in the Inner Hall at the House! It was a feast for the ears, and a timely reminder of the enormous talent amongst our great students! A big thank you, too, to the Music Department for organising a wonderful event!

Students' mini whiteboards and pens - message from Mrs Solvar-Isida, Assistant Principal

We were very pleased with the level of student engagement that the use of the mini whiteboards brought to lessons and want to continue to use them next year. Therefore, since the COVID restrictions are now being lifted, we would like to collect back all the mini whiteboards we have lent to students, to ensure all classrooms are fully equipped for September. Could you please ask your child to hand back their mini whiteboard, as well as mini whiteboard pen (if it's the one that the school provided), to their tutors before the end of term? Thank you for your support.

Free School Meals over the Summer Holidays - message from Ms Nightingale, Vice-Principal

We are pleased to report that there will be a voucher scheme over the summer holidays for students who receive free school meals, although unfortunately the government has made less money available. As a result there will be no funding for Post 16 students claiming a Bursary, as decided by Cambridgeshire County Council who are running the scheme this summer. To be clear, Post 16 students who do qualify for free school meals **WILL** receive their vouchers this summer. The vouchers will be released on 2 dates; **23rd July and 13th August**. On each occasion the parent/carer will receive £42 per free school meals child. Please see the letter from the county council regarding this scheme, and their FAQ sheet.

[Parent Letter](#) / [Frequently asked questions for parents CCC](#)

Times Tables Rock Stars! - message from Mrs Gratton and Mrs Jago



Last week all students in Years 7-9 were invited to participate in a competition to test their times tables skills. 1 point is awarded for each correct answer.

Students really embraced the Inter House competition and between them scored a massive **672258 points!** You can see this in the table below.

Well done to Year 8, who led the way with a total of **462615 points!** Special congratulations also goes to Finlee Nicholl-Smith 8W1 for coming 1st in the school with **104567 points**.

Well done to everyone who took part!

	7	8	9	TOTAL	
C1	266	2657	3350	132,626	3RD
C2	26,085	69,298	30970		
M1	9772	54,913	273	82741	4TH
M2	10155	7411	217		
P1	7456	5227	9965	38335	5TH
P2	7850	5848	1989		
V1	55004	64272	15000	194467	2ND
V2	13294	40,606	6291		
W1	1,806	135,618	1151	224,089	1ST
W2	6,835	76,765	1914		
	138523	462615	71120	672,258	
	2ND	1ST	3RD		

Literacy Notice – message from Miss Waters, Literacy Co-ordinator

The Literacy team have launched a Twitter and Instagram account to share news about competitions, online book clubs, summer reading challenges, online audio books and reading resources.

Please could we ask you to follow the accounts and share these activities with your children to encourage their reading over the holidays?

Click [here](#) for more details. Happy Reading!

This week's Blog

This week's blog is about school improvement. If you would like to read it, it's here:

<https://learningisthething.com/?p=244>

It looks like the sun is set to shine this weekend! I very much hope you have a good one.

We are Hinchinbrooke.

Kind regards,

Mark Patterson
Principal