HBK Update, Friday 24 June 2022



Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to your Friday HBK update!

Have your say – Parent/Carer Survey – message from Mrs Tandy, Vice-Principal

Please could you provide some feedback on the below survey so that we can reflect on the progress we have made this year as a school. Parent and carer voice is important to us and this year we have increased our engagement through setting up the Parent and Carer Focus Group to talk about matters arising from the Autumn survey. Discussions at these group

meetings and the feedback you provide through the two annual surveys helps to shape our plans moving forward, to ensure we continue to make improvements. There are optional comment boxes after each question so that you can include more detail in your feedback if you wish. Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey. The survey will close on Friday 1 July 2022. https://forms.office.com/r/FfbRkHxPVD



Fill | Hinchingbrooke Parent / Carer Survey (2)

June 2022 forms. office.com

Results Days, Summer 2022 – message from Ms Nightingale, Vice-Principal

The exams are so very nearly complete with just 2 exams remaining! The students have done themselves proud and now comes the reward of an extra-long summer!

Of course, the next thing on our students' minds are the results! The results days are:

Key Stage 5 (A Level, AS and Level 3 BTECs) – Thursday 18th August Key Stage 4 (GCSEs and Level 2 BTECs, including Year 10 RPE) – Thursday 25th August

Year 10 and 12 results will be sent to students via their school email address at an assigned time, and as such these students will <u>not</u> be required to come into school to collect their results. More details about this will be shared before the end of term.

Year 11 and 13 students **will need to come into school** to collect their results. The results will be available **from 9am** on the relevant date in Hinchingbrooke House. We understand that some students will be unable to collect their results themselves. If this is the case, please email us on **results@hbk.acesmat.uk** and we will arrange for the results to be emailed to their school email account.

Only students will be permitted on site and so you will <u>not</u> be able to request that a representative collects their results. Any results not collected on the day will be sent out by first class mail in the afternoon of the relevant results day. More detailed information to follow.

Year 11 and 13 Laptops - message from Ms Nightingale, Vice-Principal

As mentioned in an earlier message, there is the opportunity to either return the laptop a student has on loan from the school or purchase it for £50. To ensure that the laptop is in tip top condition for sale, should you choose this option, we are asking that all laptops which students wish to purchase, are brought into school for an **MOT between Monday 27**th **June and Friday 1**st **July**. Students simply need to drop off their laptop at reception clearly marked with their name, form and the word 'MOT'. We will then be in contact via their school email address to let them know

when it is ready to be collected. The £50 payment will need to be made before collection, which can be done through the ParentPay facility. If a student does <u>not</u> wish to purchase their laptop, then they should return it to **reception by Friday 8**th **July** with their <u>name and form</u> clearly marked.

National Group Reading Tests (NGRT) - message from Ms Nightingale, Vice-Principal

A reminder that all students in Years 7-10 will be sitting a reading test in the next couple of weeks. This is to check their progress in reading and to ensure those which may need some extra help are identified and intervention is put in place. Please can you ensure that your child has a set of plug-in earphones (so, not air pods) they bring to school on the day of their test, as some of the instructions in the test (completed online) are verbal. If students are not sure when their test is, bring the earphones every day or ask their English teacher (Years 7-9) or RPE teacher (Year 10). Many thanks for your assistance.

Covid-19 Information - we have been asked to publish this COVID-19 Information message to all families



On **Saturday 25th from 9.30am-4.30pm**, a pop-up **COVID-19 vaccination clinic** will be set up at the school, in the Sports Hall. This will be a whole family offer. This clinic is the latest in a programme of pop-up clinics run by the local NHS and will be open for **vaccinations to anyone aged 5 or over**. There is no need to book, people can just pop in when they wish.

This pop-up clinic presents an extra opportunity for parents and carers to get their children the life-saving vaccination close to home. 1st, 2nd, 3rd primary and booster doses are available to eligible patients. All children aged 12-15 are now eligible for a 1st and 2nd dose, with boosters

available for children who are considered at-risk at least three months after they had their second dose. Children in this latter group should bring along the letter they received from the NHS as proof of eligibility. Children under 12 can get a first dose. Over 75s are also able to receive Spring Boosters. Children aged 5-15 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian for their vaccination at this pop-up clinic. Children who have recently had a positive COVID-19 test should wait 12 weeks before a dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, or 4 weeks if they are in an at-risk group. This starts from the date their symptoms started, or from the date of the positive test if they did not have symptoms.

Please click here to see a poster from the NHS regarding the event.

Year 13 – message from Mrs Carla Black, Deputy Head of Sixth Form - Head of Year 13

Our final A-levels took place this morning and I wanted to take this opportunity to thank parents for all their support. Of course, the students are doing the hard bit by sitting the examinations, but the support they have received at home will have been invaluable. I know that for some, this is your last child to leave Hinchingbrooke, and it is with great thanks for everything you have contributed through the years. For others, we look forward to working with you in the coming years. Having been there at the start and end of as many exams as possible, I looked on with great pride at the dedication and maturity of each student. They are a credit to Hinchingbrooke, and to you, and we wish them all the best for the future.



Picnic at the House

The Creative Arts event, Picnic at the House, will be held on Thursday 14 July 2022 from 18.30 until 21.30 at Hinchingbrooke House. It is an opportunity to celebrate the Arts whilst partaking of a picnic with family and friends.

Tickets will be available online until 2 hours before the doors open. After this time all tickets must be purchased on the door with cash.

The evening will include: live music performances, Roving Drama performances, a showcase of the best dance, art exhibitions, film studies cinema screening, other activities and stalls.

Tickets are available from https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/pac/t-monpyzv

Adult ticket £6 | Concession £4 | Family £15

Summer Swimming School – message from Mr Fidler, Commercial Lettings Manager, HBK Leisure



Please click <u>here</u> for further details on the summer swimming crash courses which are taking place in August.

Vacancies at HBK



Student Support Officer (Sixth Form)

We are looking to appoint a highly motivated Student Support Officer to join our friendly Sixth Form team and play an integral role in supporting our students. For further information, please visit: ACES Academies Trust - Student Support Officer (Sixth Form)

Deadline: Monday 27 June, 9am

This week's blog

This week's blog is entitled 'Ten things all teachers should know'. If you would like to read it, it's here: https://learningisthething.com/?p=712

We are HBK.

Best wishes Mark Patterson