HBK Update, Thursday 22 July 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

At the end of what has been the most extraordinary of years, I would like to begin my last ParentMail of this term by paying tribute to our great students and staff. As I said to all the students who were at school yesterday, when I spoke to them in our outdoor assemblies, this pandemic has been hard on everyone – but perhaps hardest of all on our old people and our young people. The resilience that our students have shown, day in day out, has been admirable. Staff, too, have been so willing to go the extra mile, and these two things have been humbling for me to witness, as a proud Principal. Please congratulate and thank your child(ren) on my behalf. And thank you, too, for your support for your child(ren) and for the school through these hard times. We will have to see what September holds for us when we get there, but for now we can certainly hope for better days ahead.

The September 2021 information, including when each year group will be in school, is repeated below and as things stand, these are our plans. Should anything change, we will of course let you know.

Exam results this summer - message from Ms Nightingale, Vice Principal

Year 13 – Results given out live from 9am in Hinchingbrooke House on 10 August 2021

Year 12 – Results sent to school email addresses by 10am on 10 August 2021

Year 11 - Results given out live from 9am in Hinchingbrooke House on 12 August 2021

Year 10 RPE – Results sent to school email addresses by 10am on 12 August 2021

If you are in Years 13 or 11 and are unable to come into school to collect your results, please email us in advance at <u>results@hinchbk.cambs.sch.uk</u> to request that we email your results to your school email address. These will be emailed to you from 9 a.m. on results day. Please note we cannot send results to a private email address.

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:

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

Summer 2021 Appeals – message from Ms Nightingale, Vice Principal

This week's update takes you through how to make a decision on whether to appeal your grades this summer, as well as how to find and complete the paperwork. It's on our website, but here is the link for your convenience: https://youtu.be/FiyG0EYt_Ag



How to fill in the Appeals Paperwork

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

There will be a voucher scheme over the summer holidays for students who receive free school meals. Post 16 students who do qualify for free school meals **WILL** receive their vouchers this summer, but if students only qualify for a bursary they, unfortunately, do not qualify for the vouchers this time round. 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 the FAQ sheet.

Parent Letter / Frequently asked questions for parents CCC

Please also find this in a variety of other languages: Portuguese CCC/Urdu CCC/Punjabi CCC/Lithuanian CCC/Polish CCC

Staff Leavers and Joiners

At the end of this school year, we are saying goodbye to some colleagues who are moving on to pastures new. On behalf of HBK, I would like to thank them for their contribution and wish them well for the future. Farewell to Mr A Alkavana, Mr D Hayes (teaching assistants in our SEND team), Mrs H Banks (Alternative Provision), Miss M D'Agati, Mrs K Treen (Art), Miss C Davidson (DT), Mr E Commodore-Mensah, Mrs L Bartlett (Maths), Mrs S Moore (Sixth Form), Mrs H Bennet (English), Miss C Findlay (Social Sciences), and Mrs R Ashoor (School Nurse).

Joining us in September will be Miss A O'Donoghue (Social Science), Mr A Sedgwick (SENDCo), Mr M Nherera (Maths), Mr S Valentine (Social Science), Miss A Gray (MFL), Miss H Stewart (Art), Miss E Kemp (History/Geography), Mr M Bryett (Site). We look forward to welcoming these new colleagues to the HBK Community.

Laptops

All those who requested a laptop in the survey at the start of this month have been issued with one over the last couple of days. Please contact us if there are any technical issues (<u>rc@hinchbk.cambs.sch.uk</u>).

September 2021 Information – message from Mrs Tandy

The following video was shown to students this 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



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September start of term plan. Please note that this plan is the result of adding the schedule of lateral flow testing to our normal start of term arrangements.

Date	School Schedule	Testing Schedule
Wednesday 1 September	Staff Training Day	
Thursday 2 September	Staff Training Day	Year 7 / 12 / 13 Test 1
Friday 3 September		Year 8 / 9 / 10 / 11 Test 1
Monday 6 September		Year 7 / 12 / 13 Test 2
Tuesday 7 September	Year 7 / 12 / 13 Induction	Year 8 / 9 / 10 / 11 Test 2
(School transport will run from this date)		
Wednesday 8 September	'This is Hinchingbrooke' Programme for all students. All students in school from Wednesday 8 September.	
Thursday 9 September		
Friday 10 September	Timetabled lessons start	
	Year 7 Picnic Lunch	
Monday 13 September	School Photographs	

School Uniform Information

Here is the link to the Price & Buckland order page - <u>order uniform here</u>. When ordering uniform from Price & Buckland, you can select to have your order delivered to school instead of delivering to your home address. Orders to school are free of charge.

Our Reception will be open for uniform collections to parents/carers on:

Thursday 12 August 2021 – 9.00am to 2.00pm Thursday 26 August 2021 – 9.00am to 2.00pm Friday 3 September 2021 – 9.00am to 3.00pm

Price & Buckland are offering **free returns** over the summer, please follow the link below: <u>www.royalmail.com/track-my-return/create/2864</u>

Here comes the summer!

I really hope that over the summer our great students can switch off, enjoy some good times and recharge their batteries - they very much deserve to. And for those students who are leaving HBK (such as Year 13 students and Year 11 students going elsewhere next year), on behalf of the school please accept my very best wishes for your future.

We are Hinchingbrooke.

Kind regards,

Mark Patterson Principal