

Court Fields School

Parent Weekly 'What's Happening' Bulletin



Message from Mrs Matthews No space for me this week as we have these fabulous light painting pictures from our brilliant GCSE photography students to share with you. I have also written to you separately regarding our plans for Term 2. All of us at Court Fields wish you and your families a good and relaxing half term. We look forward to welcoming students back on 2nd November. Take care and keep safe.



Self-isolation guidance for individuals awaiting a test result - Somerset County Council



Somerset County Council have advised that recently a parent (not one of ours), who was awaiting a test result for her child, received guidance from the NHS 119 line that indicated that all contacts of their child need to isolate while awaiting the test result.

This is not correct.

National guidance recommends that household contacts of a suspected case need to isolate while awaiting the test result for an individual in the

house. However, until a positive test result is obtained we would not look to take any further action with school contacts.

Engage with the NHS Test and Trace process

Schools must ensure they understand the NHS Test and Trace process. Schools must ensure that staff members and parents/carers understand that they will need to be ready and willing to: Schools must ensure they understand the NHS Test and Trace process. Schools must ensure that staff members and parents/carers understand that they will need to be ready and willing to:

- book a test if they or their child are displaying symptoms. Staff and pupils must not come into the school if they have symptoms and must be sent home to self-isolate if they develop them in school. All children can be tested, including children under 5, but children aged 11 and under will need to be helped by their parents/carers if using a home testing kit
- provide details of anyone they or their child have been in close contact with if they were to test positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) or if asked by NHS Test and Trace
- self-isolate if they have been in close contact with someone who tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), or if anyone in their household develops symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19)

For further information <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

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Lootboxes in Games - Have your Say

Lootboxes are items that can be bought in games with 'mystery' contents. This can include ways of customising a character, weapons, a new player for a sports team or a range of other items which are designed to tempt the player to make the purchase. Because getting the best items is based on chance, some people believe they are a form of gambling.

The UK government is asking for the views of young people and parents about lootboxes and are inviting us to complete their survey by November 22nd 2020.

To take part in the survey go to:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/loot-boxes-in-video-games-call-for-evidence>



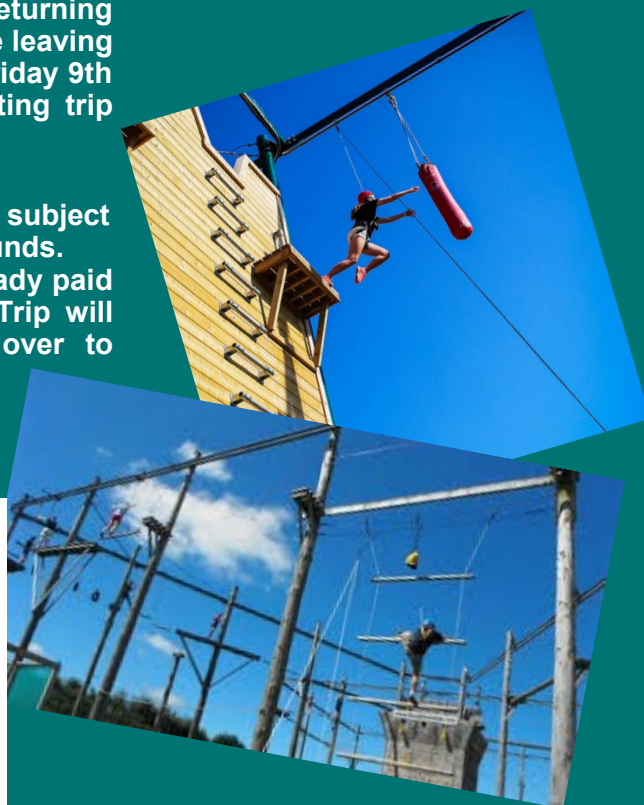
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Year 7 and Year 8 Camp: Ultimate Activity Centre, Bideford

We are delighted to confirm our bookings for taking the Year 7s and Year 8s to the Ultimate Activity Centre in Bideford in July 2021.

The Year 7s will be on camp from Monday 5th July and returning at lunchtime on Wednesday 7th July. The Year 8s will be leaving at lunchtime on Wednesday 7th July and returning on Friday 9th July. More information will come out about this exciting trip before the end of the Autumn term.

If necessary, all bookings will be subject to full Covid refunds. Any money already paid for the Year 8 Trip will be transferred over to the July 2021 date.



Reminder!

Our IT and Admin teams are working hard and we are hoping to launch our online data collection and permission update service after half-term. Details will follow shortly but in the meantime please don't forget to let us know if anything has changed. It is vitally important we can contact someone in an emergency so please let us know if contact information needs to be changed or updated. Please also let us know if your child's medical record needs to be updated so our first aid team have the correct information available should your child be taken unwell at school. Thank you.

Forward Diary Dates

Thursday 22nd October and Friday 23rd October INSET DAYS students do not attend

Monday 26th October Friday 30th October HALF TERM

Monday 2nd November Students return to school

Thursday 5th November Year 11 Parents' Evening

Wednesday 11th November Year 12 Presentation Evening - POSTPONED TO 26th May due to Covid

Friday 13th November Non-Uniform Day for Children in Need

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