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SEPTEMBER OPENING - AUGUST 2020

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WHAT'S ON

WED

2 Sep

Staff INSET

THURS

3 Sep

Year 7 only 8.30-3pm

FRI

4 Sep

Year 9 and 11 8.30-1.30pm

Thu

7 Sep

Year 8 and 10 8.30-1.30pm



It seems like a long time since I wrote to you last. Over the last 6 weeks we have seen the country beginning to emerge from lock down; as school leaders we have faced ever changing advice, guidance and policy to get us to this point. Over the last few weeks, more than ever, I have been amazed by our brilliant staff. They have spent the summer preparing, planning and getting the building ready for us all to return. The latest updates (28th August 2020) are reflected in our plans and information here. We are so lucky to have such a talented, dedicated team of staff.

As students return it will feel different; students will be in zones in year group bubbles, staff will travel around the bubbles. Students will be separated throughout the day entering through different gates, using different playgrounds, eating and Socialising in bubbles at break and lunch times. Some students and staff will choose to wear masks in communal areas.

But as different as it may feel; it will still be school! The classrooms will be full of students getting back to face to face learning, the

there will be assessments, students will have PE, science experiments and food tech lessons etc. We have a wide and detailed risk assessment, well trained staff and excellently behaved students who will make this work, make it safe and ensure we all get back to learning!

There are some FAQs later in this newsletter, you can also email us (see below) with any questions but sadly you can not pop in to school as we are closed to all visitors. I know many of you are anxious about school attendance becoming compulsory again from September 1st; please get in contact. We can help!

Key points from me:

- All updates are first posted <u>HERE</u> so always look here for info you may need
- If ANYONE in your house has any COVID19 symptoms
 you must; Isolate, test and communicate. Isolate
 immediately, let us know that you are all isolating 020 8826
 1230, get a test (ring 119) and then isolate until the result
 and let us know the outcome ASAP

You can expect weekly newsletters until October at least.

Best wishes Mrs Roberts

KEY UPDATES

You can read all the latest with regard to September opening arrangements here

We are currently in **STAGE ONE** of our plan which will last at least the first week this means:

- No after school clubs or breakfast clubs
- Very limited movement around the building: practical lessons will be limited in stag one
- No parent events (newsletters only)
- Increased Senior leadership presence and patrols
- No face to face assemblies

Hopefully we can move to **STAGE TWO** from 14th September depending on feedback from staff and students and pending further government guidance,

Some changes since my last letter:

- The gate year 7 are coming in has been swapped to the main gate
- The gate year 9 are coming in is now the gate next to the Decorium which opens onto Western Rd
- Clean, plain, correctly worn masks are permitted to be worn (but not required) in the building on route to classes in communal inside areas. They must be removed at the classroom door. Face coverings are NOT permitted in class.

Quarantine

If you have recently arrived back in the UK or will do so before the start of school please check the country you are travelling from (and any you will pass through) do not require quarantine the list is <u>here</u>.



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See above the 9 items students need for school.

We appreciate uniform sales have been disrupted this year due to access to the uniform shop and some issues with the supply of our uniform.

The uniform shop will be open next week: we will text you all the exact times but we are hoping to be open all of Wednesday, Thursday and Friday for sales. If you are missing uniform items please send your child in with a note explaining the issue.

Please ensure students have all the equipment they need for school: loaning children equipment will be challenging. We will give out sets of equipment for those on free school meals and anyone who needs support with this. If you can provide the key equipment (see picture) please do.

KEY DOCUMENTS

Latest letter from Mrs Roberts:

https://heartlands.haringey.sch.uk/news-events/letters-2/

Latest statement on attendance from HHS

https://heartlands.haringey.sch.uk/attendance-september-2020/

Latest government guidance

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools

See below a number of key questions we have been asked.

How will you catch up the learning children have lost?

Ms Bower and the Heads of Faculty have worked really hard to ensure a thorough recovery curriculum is planned. For years 7-8-9 we can do this well and we don't feel there will be much impact. For years 10 and 11 the impact will be greater but there has been some changes to the syllabus for GCSE to reflect this. Ms Bower will hold information sessions in September for year 10 and 11 parents to outline further what this looks like.

When will my child know their tutor and subject teachers?

On their first day. As teachers move schools throughout the summer this is only ever possible at the beginning of term. They will be placed in a temporary tutor group as they will be bubbled in year groups and so vertical tutoring is not possible. You can check this on day one on My Child At School App by viewing their timetable.

Can my child bring in packed lunch?

Yes: students will be asked to eat in the designated lunch space for their year group.

Will students be able to have a locker?

Not at the moment. We will try and organise this after the first stage.

Will be forced to wear a mask?

Not at the moment. We have allowed clean, plain, correctly worn face coverings permissible but not compulsory.

Who can answer my questions?

General questions: office@heartlands.haringey.sch.uk If you wish to contact your child's head of house you can do so via the following emails:

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