

5th March 2021

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Weekly Newsletter for Parents & Students

Welcome

It has been a delight to see 660 students arriving at school this week from years 13, 11 and 12, even though this has just been for their first Lateral Flow Device (LFD) test. Though a few students were a little anxious, they were in and out in less than 10 minutes, from drop-off to pick-up, and left feeling happy to have been tested and played their part in keeping others protected. Participation in testing has been exceptionally high with 98% of the parents of children in these year groups consenting. The LFD test is an additional risk mitigation step this spring term to protect our community further by preventing transmission of coronavirus from asymptomatic young people. Hopefully, this high engagement will ensure far fewer students will be sent home to isolate themselves if they are identified as a close contact of a student who comes into school with the virus. At school, I am always devastated to have to tell one of our students and text their parents to tell them that their child has to isolate for 10 days - particularly now after they have missed so much time being in school. For students in year 7 to 10, if you haven't yet completed the consent form then please follow this [link](#). I'd like to thank parents for the efforts that you have gone to bringing your child to school for this first test.

Next week will see the return of students on various days of the week. Please follow the timetable shared last week, and shown below. Students need to remember that school life will be similar to how it was in the Autumn term, with the addition of testing, and face coverings in lessons, rather than back to 'normal'. On arrival they must walk straight to their tutor group where their tutor will warmly greet them, find out how they are feeling and go through some reminders of our safety expectations. They will return to following their usual timetable of subjects and lesson timings. Please check they are organised with a charged iPad, equipment and any books they need. Parents should support their child in getting them back into those 'going to school' routines after not being in since 17th December 2020. There are lots of important messages and reminders in this newsletter to support this transition, please contact your child's tutor or Head of Year if you need any further information.

| Year Group | First Test - then return home immediately via OWN transport | First day back in school |
|------------|---|--------------------------|
| Year 7 | Tuesday 9th March | Wednesday 10th March |
| Year 8 | Wednesday 10th March | Thursday 11th March |
| Year 9 | Thursday 11th March | Friday 12th March |
| Year 10 | Monday 8th March | Tuesday 9th March |
| Year 11 | Thursday 4th March | Monday 8th March |
| Year 12 | Friday 5th March | Monday 8th March |
| Year 13 | Wednesday 3rd March | Monday 8th March |

With the exceptional work and engagement completed during this remote learning period, we are confident that our children can re-engage successfully in face-to-face lessons. We will not be assessing or testing students in these first few weeks or making them panic with talk of 'catch-up'. It is important that students don't feel that level of pressure and can once more 'love' learning with their peers. Teachers will determine where students need further support and put in place what is required in a focused way. We'll be telling them that we can achieve amazing things together.



Thursday saw amazing engagement in our first-ever remote World Book Day, which included staff and students dressing as their favourite literary characters and taking a picture of themselves reading in unusual places. The day was brilliant - far more information is shared later in this newsletter. On World Book Day I read a quote by the author Wendy Wunder which resonated, she said, **"The magic thing about home is that it feels good to leave, and it feels even better to come back."** I know school is not quite 'home' though I hope, like me, all of our young people are truly looking forward to their return to school next week.

See you all very soon,
Mr Brown, Headteacher

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Timetable Notice

Week Beginning Monday 8th March

From **Monday 8th March**, we will be following the Autumn 2020 timetable for BOTH Remote Learning and face to face lessons for students in school. Year 8 and 9 will revert back to split lessons. This is because from this date teachers will be in school delivering a blend of face to face and remote lessons. We will be returning to our 'bubbles' in school once more so we need the separation of year groups at break and lunch.

Please note lunch and break will also return to 30 minute time slots. Please share the timetable with your child - they only need to follow their year group times so it is not as complicated as it looks!

Our tutors and teachers will remind students about this change in tutor time and lessons next week. If your child has any questions then they should ask a member of staff about this in the week.

| Year | 08:25 | 08:45 | 09:00 | 09:30 | 10:00 | 10:30 | 11:00 | 11:30 | 12:00 | 12:30 | 13:00 | 13:30 | 14:00 | 14:30 | 15:00 |
|------|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------------------|
| 7 | Teachers to go Tutor Rooms | TT | P1 | P2 | P3 | P4 | P5 | P6 | P7 | P8 | P9 | P10 | P11 | P12 | Students leave site |
| 10 | | TT | P1 | P2 | P3 | P4 | P5 | P6 | P7 | P8 | P9 | P10 | P11 | P12 | |
| 8 | | TT | P1 | P2 | P3 | P4 | P5 | P6 | P7 | P8 | P9 | P10 | P11 | P12 | |
| 9 | | TT | P1 | P2 | P3 | P4 | P5 | P6 | P7 | P8 | P9 | P10 | P11 | P12 | |
| 11 | | TT | P1 | P2 | P3 | P4 | P5 | P6 | P7 | P8 | P9 | P10 | P11 | P12 | |
| 12 | | TT | P1 | P2 | P3 | P4 | P5 | P6 | P7 | P8 | P9 | P10 | P11 | P12 | |
| 13 | | TT | P1 | P2 | P3 | P4 | P5 | P6 | P7 | P8 | P9 | P10 | P11 | P12 | |

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| P | Lesson |
| B | Break |
| C | Canteen Lunch |

Mr Brown, Headteacher

Dear students,

I know that all of the staff at Bosworth Academy are looking forward to welcoming you back to school. I hope that you are all as eager as we are to return to lessons and for you to be able to meet your friends. Before you return, we wanted to remind you of some key considerations back in school:

From Monday 8th March:

- be ready to follow your timetable for **WEEK 1**
- enter school only through the doors at the bus park, sanitise hands and go straight to your tutor room
- **tutor time begins at 8.40am** and please let your tutor/assistant Head of Year know if you do not have your ID card or lanyard
- be in **full uniform**, with a **charged ipad** and all **equipment**
- your usual way of accessing lunch, a snack for break and at least one **large water bottle**, top ups from the canteen (water fountain taps must remain off).
- please bring at least 1 **face covering** (a spare is a good idea if you have one).

The school will be running in a similar way to before Christmas - please check the [school website for updates](#) for parents/carers at home.

Mrs Manning, Associate Senior Leader

Keeping our Community Safe

After a successful start to our lateral flow testing, attention must now be given to the procedures and measures in place in school. These measures are there to keep students and our community safe. We effectively return to the school students left in December. During the Autumn term, students were outstanding at following the new measures and rules and kept themselves and each other safe. This **MUST** continue. A summary of our expectations can be found in the link below.

[Risk Mitigation Summary](#)

Mr White, Deputy Head



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The Student Experience

Students in Year 11, 12, and 13 have begun Covid-19 testing in school this week using the Lateral Flow Device tests. Here is Hannah in the test centre at the registration desk, and after her test.



Many students said it wasn't as bad as they thought it was going to be and we were really pleased to have such a high level of consent which has meant we are able to test the majority of our students before they return to school next week, helping to keep Bosworth Academy safe.



Mrs Holdback, Assistant Head (SLT Covid Coordinator)



Transport Update

To support the return to school buses will be running a normal service from Monday 8th March. This means on the morning each year group is able to return to school, the buses will be running their usual routes and timings. Can I please remind students the following applies when using dedicated school transport.

- use of hand sanitiser upon boarding and/or disembarking where provided
- organised queuing and boarding where possible
- distancing within vehicles wherever possible
- the use of face coverings for children over the age of 11
- students will be asked to sit in the same seat for each journey

Following my update earlier in the Spring term, I can confirm that a 50% refund for the 8 week closure period will be processed by the finance team. This is as outlined in the transport agreement shared at the beginning of the year. At the same time, any outstanding payments will also be followed by the finance team. If you have any queries please contact - finance@lifemultiacademytrust.org.uk

Many thanks for all of your support and patience during this difficult time.

Mr White, Deputy Head

Members of households, with school age pupils

I thought I would share the news with you that from 1 March 2021 if you have a child in your household attending school then you too can get a twice-weekly test. Around 1 in 3 people with coronavirus (COVID-19) do not have symptoms but can still pass it on to others. Regular testing of people without symptoms (asymptomatic testing) is important to help stop the virus spreading. As lockdown restrictions gradually ease, we all need to play our part to help protect each other. Test kits can be obtained:

- through your employer if they offer testing to employees
- at a local test site
- by collecting a home test kit from a test site
- by ordering a home test kit online

Schools will not be expected to provide the test kits to families or administer the family testing process. This additional testing in households will help prevent transmission of coronavirus into school.

Mr Brown, Headteacher

The Lockdown Gallery is now finished!

All we need now is for students to look around the gallery next week and send me a photo of their choice for the best piece of work. The work with the most votes wins £50 and lots of other goodies!

davec5@bosworthacademy.org.uk. Governors and Curriculum Team Leaders will also nominate their favourite piece of work. Good luck to all involved!



Mr Claricoates, Assistant Head

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International Women's Day 2021

On Monday 8th March we are celebrating International Women's Day. International Women's Day is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women. The day also marks a call to action for accelerating gender equality. As a school, staff have been raising a hand to show solidarity with the cause and that we commit to choose to challenge and call out inequality.

#ChooseToChallenge #IWD2021



 International Women's Day

Mrs Moran

Homework Updates

With the return to school taking place for all year groups in the coming days, we are keen to ensure students transition smoothly into new routines and good habits. To support students with finding the balance between in school learning and homework, we have decided NOT to set homework for all year groups during the week commencing 12th March.



Homework will be set for Year 11, 12 and 13 from 15th March, and Year 11 students and parents will be able to see details of the homework on Satchel One (Show My Homework).

With the exception of the Bedrock Reading Programme, all homework for Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 will recommence after half term. Please look out for the details on Satchel One.

If there are parents who require their login details for Satchel One, please contact Main Reception.

Ms O'Malley, Curriculum Leader English & Associate Senior Leader

Managing anxiety

As we return to school and begin to come out of lock-down, some students, staff and parents may experience anxiety. See some strategies for managing anxiety from the HBSSPAN. As always, please speak to your tutor or head of year if you need some help with this.



Parent Consultation Evening for students in Year 9 and 10

Tuesday 9th March is the next parents consultation evening for students in Year 9 and 10. There are still some appointments available with teachers. Please use the link [Parents Evening Booking](#) to book appointments. These evenings provide an opportunity for teachers to give feedback to both students and parents about student progress and targets.

Mrs Holdback, Assistant Head

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Literacy Update

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Changing lives through a love of books and shared reading.

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We have been very busy this week taking part in a myriad of exciting activities to celebrate World Book Day! Students and staff have been involved in competitions, classroom tasks and even online masterclasses...and it is not over yet! See below for more ways you can participate.

Photo Competition 'A Place to Read'

We had TONS of entries for this fun competition and Tutor groups have been voting for their favourites.... Winners next week!



World Book Day Tokens

[Print your personal £1 tokens here](#)

The deadline for this has been extended to the 28th March but shops will accept them as long as there is stock.



Feeling creative?

You and the Academy stand a chance to win HUNDREDS of pounds worth of books with our [Design a Book Token Competition](#)

Bosworth Bake Off WORLD BOOK DAY SPECIAL.

[Details here](#) Deadline - Thursday 11th March.

Any cake/s to do with books, characters or reading!
We look forward to some amazing entries :-)



Costume Competition - 'Escape into Fantasy'.

Another popular competition that has seen staff and students be fantasy-tastic! If you have not shared your photo make sure it is with Mrs Blewitt by the end of Sunday....winners announced next week!



Joshua Seigal performs one of his poems that he has made available for WBD - it's really cool :-)

[Link](#)



Books, Reading, eBook Library

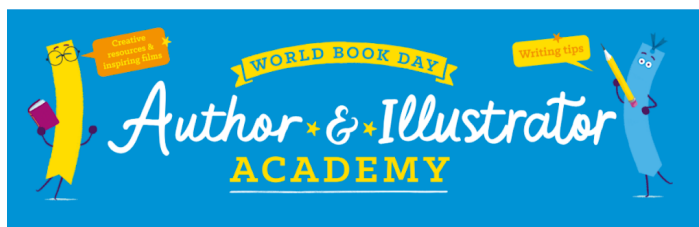
Follow the link to the [latest eBook recommendations from Mrs Griffiths.](#)

To access our library catalogue & ebooks, log into our school website and click on the link for **Accessit** (under **The Compass** links) <https://uk.accessit.online/bsw00> which is our library catalogue (students need to be logged into the school website to be able to use this).

Any queries or issues, please email Mrs Griffiths, the School Librarian hgriffiths@bosworthacademy.org.uk

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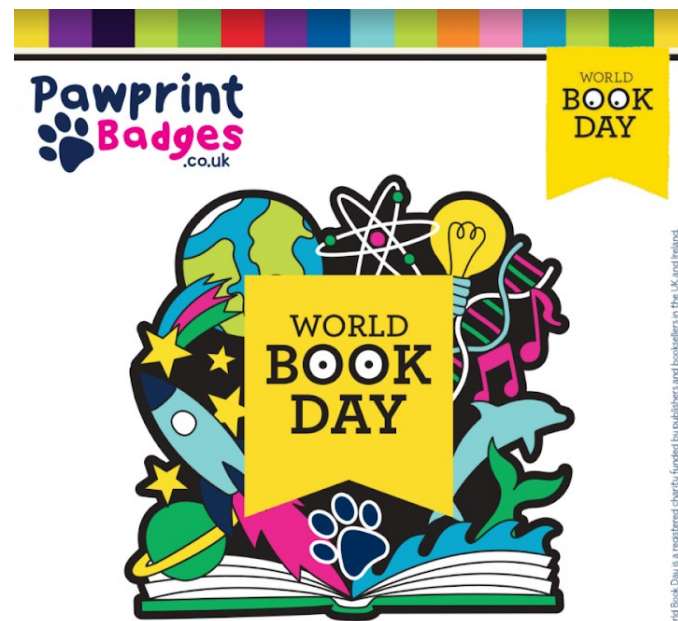


Follow up WBD with these amazing reads for the family

Click on the link to find out about the [latest eBook recommendations](#) from Mrs Griffiths shown below.

Author and Illustrator Academy

Loads of master classes from writers and illustrators about what, how and why to write and draw. There is something here for everyone so why not visit the website and have a look around - you may just find out something amazing!



WBD Challenge!

Our KS3 students have been having fun taking part in the national WBD challenge, choosing from some of the fun and fantastic tasks that all celebrate a love of reading!

Didn't take part but want to? Think you are too old.... not a problem! Have a look at the booklet and get involved - age is no limit! Send us your photos and you could be featured here next week!

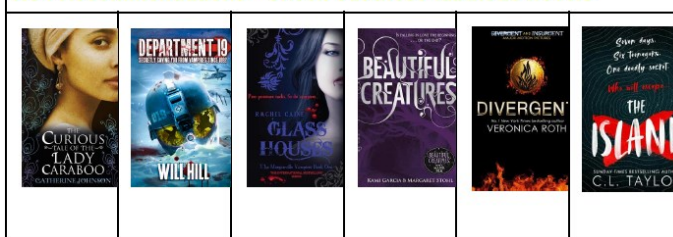
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Make sure you get your free book from a supermarket near you with your [World Book Day Token](#)

KS3 Recommendations - Read them all!



KS4 Recommendations - Check out these fabulous novels



Spotlight on Y7 Bookbuzz books

Here is another amazing review by Alesha Mistry (Y5 pupil & sister of Dylan Mistry, our Y8 student).

Hair-Raising Horror at Crater Lake Frighteningly Fearful, Fun & A Firm Favourite

It could have been aliens, monsters or even zombies! Crater Lake's Activity Centre is shrouded in deep, dark secrets unbeknown to Lance and his friends who excitedly arrive for their school residential trip! Surprisingly, the indoor activity centre is blowing out extreme blazing heat during the height of summer. Weird...right? Lance and co. are amongst frightening sinister beings who lurk around each and every corner. They must never EVER fall asleep.

I read this chilling tale thinking it wouldn't be that scary, BUT I WAS WRONG! I devoured this book in a few days as it was so heart thumpingly gripping, and left me on the edge of my seat. This nail biting, addictive thriller is fast paced and unsettling. In fact, it's what my nightmares are made of! I literally got goosebumps as this sci-fi horror mashup developed. This is an absolutely awesome read overall with many twists and turns. I really enjoyed the way the young people worked together for a common cause. I'd recommend this book, especially for people who love spooky stories - unlike me! It has been very cleverly written in a way that hooks in reluctant readers - like me!



Big Thank You Alesha

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Useful Contacts

Head of Year Support

If you require support then please contact your child's tutor or their Head of Year:

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Year 12 Dr Stephenson

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Year 13 Dr Dover

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Attendance Support

If your child is ill or has a medical appointment and may miss remote learning, please contact:

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Technology Support

If your child requires any support with IT issues around remote learning then email:

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