



Kingswinford Academy

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Kingswinford Academy Parent Bulletin
24th-28th May 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

A busy week as always at this time of year, with Year 11 students completing their assessments for their GCSE awards; Year 10s beginning their preparations for 'Mock' exams at the end of this year; Years 7 to 10 beginning to think about Active Learning Week at the end of the year; and everybody making hopeful plans for some summer holidays (including our staff who are planning an awesome Year 6 summer school programme!). On top of all that, our students have had the headspace to think wider in our world and I know many are feeling passionate about expressing their views on topical issues, such as the challenges in Israel and Palestine and the management of COVID across the world. It has been wonderful to see our students thinking beyond our own little corner of Britain and we want to encourage them to do this more and more.

This Tuesday this community spirit is brought to life by a group of year 10s, supported by some staff, who have set themselves a challenge to run, cycle, crosstrain, row or otherwise cover 1956km in a day! This is to raise money for the Duke of Edinburgh award scheme in our school and serves as an opportunity for them to pay their respects to the late Duke of Edinburgh, HRH Prince Philip. Those students will be shaking tins and seeking more donations for this fantastic programme and so please do support them if you feel able by sending your child in with a pound or two for the cause on Tuesday!

One more week before another well earned break - one week that is critically important to our Year 11 students as we make sure of both their GCSE assignments and their future destinations throughout this week, but equally important for our other year groups in their ongoing efforts to recover their education from the challenges of COVID. We remain cautious with our approach to COVID in school, and encourage you to support us whilst there is a degree of uncertainty around this new variant, in keeping our children safe and acting sensibly to stop the spread of this disease.

Have a lovely weekend and do stay safe.

Tom Macdonald
Headteacher

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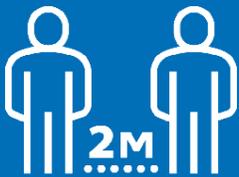
is still out there



- **Hands** - Students, staff and visitors should wash their hands often and for 20 seconds. Use soap and water or hand sanitizer. Sanitizer dispensers are available in all classrooms and throughout the school.



- **Face** - students, staff and visitors should bring face coverings to school. **Students** do not need to wear face coverings in school unless they wish to do so. **Staff** do not need to wear face coverings in the classroom but should do so in other indoor spaces where they cannot socially distance. **Visitors** must wear face coverings unless they can socially distance.



- **Space** - Students must remain in their class or year group bubbles whilst indoors. When outdoors or in communal spaces, students must remain in their year group zones. We advise students to socially distance wherever possible at break and lunch. Staff and visitors should socially distance indoors wherever possible and wear a mask when this is not possible.



- **Test** - Students and Staff are asked to test twice weekly with home testing kits. We recommend testing each Monday and Thursday morning (or the evening before) and recording the test results online (links are emailed twice weekly). We encourage families and visitors to obtain free testing kits from the NHS and test in accordance with national advice

Anyone who tests positive or shows COVID symptoms, or is a close contact of someone who tests positive or shows COVID symptoms, must self isolate and must not attend our school.

Active Learning Week

J Wilkes



Following the success of previous years, Kingswinford Academy is hoping to hold another Active Learning week on the 15th to the 21st July 2021. During this time, we plan for students from all year groups to have two days of onsite curriculum activities (15th and 16th July) followed by the opportunity to participate in a range of day trips and onsite extra curricular activities on the 19th and 20th July (COVID Restrictions permitting). The week will conclude with a celebration day on Wednesday 21st July.

As you are no doubt aware, there is some uncertainty nationally as to what freedoms we will have after June 21st. We are initially gathering interest in trips that we may be able to hold in July, but appreciate that these may be hampered if restrictions were reimposed. We are currently not expecting parents to commit financially to any excursion that we hope to be able to put on, but please only express interest in trips where there is a genuine desire to participate and pay for that trip. All activities are reliant on the easing of National restrictions as set out in the Government Covid 19 roadmap.

Could all parents please make their choices on the link below.

<https://forms.gle/bKBL7LgBq3FCqfpv6>

iPads for Learning - Year 8

L Palmer



Windsor Academy Trust are delighted to invite you to join an information session to find out about iPads for Learning - an exciting approach that will maximise your child's progress and create inspiring learning experiences.

The information sessions take place live on Tuesday 25th and Wednesday 26th May, 6.15pm to 7.00pm. At the sessions, you will:

- learn how iPads are used as part of our Windsor Academy Trust curriculum to maximise teaching, learning, achievement and personal development
- understand the success and impact of iPads for learning
- gain practical information about finance, insurance, e-safety and the supply of iPads.

You only need to attend one session and can book your place at

windsoracademytrust.org.uk/ipads - If you need help booking, please contact Miss Palmer at lpalmer@kingswinford.windsoracademytrust.org.uk

You have recently been emailed a letter with further details of this ipad for learning initiative, please take the time to read those details in full.

Important update re Tuesday 25th May

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Students in KS3 (Years 7 - 9) should come to school in P.E. kit on Tuesday 25th May due to an activity taking place that day.

Safeguarding Update

S Fletcher



In January, the Government launched a new strategy to tackle child sexual abuse and in the following months there has been a host of stories about the experiences of young people across the country. To ensure we do all we can to keep our students safe we have reviewed and further strengthened our policy and practice, provided additional training for staff and asked students to think about this area through votes for schools.

The safety of your child(ren) is our priority and I hope you are aware of our Safeguarding leads in school and that if you have any concerns you

would contact the school and most likely your child's Form Tutor or Head of Year / House in the first instance. This can be done via our phone number 01384 296596 or email info@kingswinford.windsoracademytrust.org.uk.

In case you are unclear, our Designated Safeguarding Leads are:

Mrs Fletcher, Mrs Wilkinson, Mr Wilkes, Mrs Maybury, Mrs Wilmitt, Mr Jones and all Heads of Year / House.

In addition I also want to make you aware of the below helpline which is also available.

NEW Dedicated NSPCC helpline 0800 136 663

This new helpline has been created to provide both children and adults who are potential victims of sexual abuse in schools with the appropriate support and advice. This includes how to contact the police and report crimes if they wish. The helpline will also provide support to parents.

Uniform Reminder

S Fletcher



A reminder please to adhere to our uniform requirements when updating items for the next academic year - September 2021.

[please click here for our uniform guidance](#)

Dudley Performing Arts

N Abel



Students who would like to start having instrumental or vocal tuition in school this term (provided by Dudley Performing Arts), are welcome to collect a letter from Miss Abel (in the Music room).

Students can also enrol for instrumental or vocal tuition with Dudley Performing Arts at just £9 for an individual 20 minute lesson. Everything you need to know including how to enrol can be found on the website linked below.

<https://www.dudley.gov.uk/things-to-do/dudley-performing-arts/information-for-parents-and-young-people/dpa-direct-individual/>

Attendance Awards

G Dickens

Half Termly 100 % Attendance Reward

Any student that achieves **100% attendance each week** this half term (HT5) will be put into a raffle to receive the reward of an extended break time and ice lolly on Friday 28th May.

10 students from each year group will have the opportunity to win this reward.



Summer Term 100 % Attendance Reward

Any student who achieves **100% attendance each week** will also have the opportunity to win an amazon voucher at the end of the Summer Term

This means that if you have 100% attendance every week for 14 weeks, your name will be put in the raffle 14 times and you have a greater chance of winning.

1st Prize - £50 Amazon Voucher

2nd Prize - £25 Amazon Voucher

3rd Prize - £10 Amazon Voucher

Early closure

T Macdonald



To accommodate the essential moderation and assessment requirements for the national changes to Year 11 assessments for examinations this year, school will close early to all students by 1.00 pm on **Wednesday 26th May**. Normal school service will resume the following day at the usual times (Thursday 27th May).

Elevate Parent Webinars

L Palmer



We are excited to announce that parents of our school have exclusive access to Elevate Education's Parent Webinar Series this year. Elevate works with our students, delivering high

impact workshops on study skills, motivation, wellbeing, and exam preparation. By tuning into their webinar series you will learn how to better support your children at home through reinforcing the skills they learn at school. .

The next session is **Time Management and Organisation**, 6 - 7pm on Tuesday 25th May. Elevate is a global education organisation that helps over 1-million students to improve their study skills and boost academic performance.

You can learn more about them at <https://uk.elevateeducation.com/> or follow them at www.facebook.com/ElevateParentsUK/

25th May : Time Management

15th June : Motivation

6th July : Technology

Registration is essential and is free for you as a parent of the school. You can register for free at: [Webinar Registration | UK](#)

The webinar is run live online from 6pm – 7pm where the presenter will share Elevate's key research and skills, and will conduct a live Q&A so you can ask them questions directly.

Should you have questions or would like to contact Elevate directly, their details are listed below.

☎ 01865 987 732

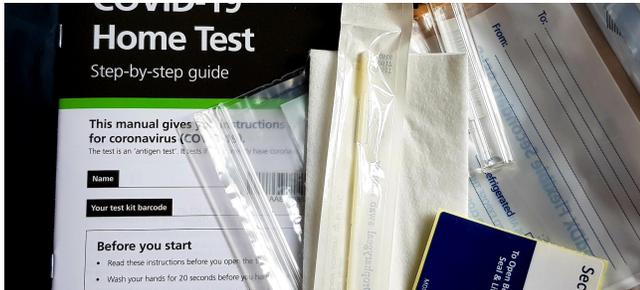
✉ ukcoaching@elevateeducation.com

🖥 <https://get.elevatecoaching.info/uk/register>

👍 www.facebook.com/ElevateParentsUK/

Asymptomatic Tests

J Wilkes



Students who have been participating in home testing will be receiving new testing kits on Wednesday 26th May .

They will continue to test twice weekly and email reminders will be sent to parents. All students should have enough tests left over to last them until the 24th May. Tests sent home from school must only be used for that named student. Family members who require weekly tests can obtain these from local testing centres.

- [COVID Test Finder \(test-and-trace.nhs.uk\)](https://test-and-trace.nhs.uk)

Year 11 Update

S Fletcher

Year 11

Over the last few weeks our Year 11 have been working tirelessly on their final assessments.

It has been wonderful to see so many of our students show resilience and dedication in what has been an extremely challenging and uncertain year for them.

A prime example of this came last Friday when a Year 11 student suffered an innocuous, nasty knee injury whilst playing football. His bravery whilst awaiting medical attention was unbelievable and was only bettered by his swift return to school this week, to ensure that all of his assessments were completed. We hope our Y11 students get the opportunity to celebrate their efforts more freely in the coming months.

Calendar

Week Beginning 24th May

Week 1

Monday 24th	
Tuesday 25th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Elevate Year 10 Day 9:00am - 3:00pm
Wednesday 26th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Early finish for students (students depart at lunch)
Thursday 27th	
Friday 28th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Break up - Half term

Week Beginning 7th June

Week 1

Monday 7th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Return to school
Tuesday 8th	
Wednesday 9th	
Thursday 10th	
Friday 11th	
Advance notice	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Year 10 Mocks (tbc) 21st June



Holiday Activity Fun across Dudley Borough

In the summer holidays eligible children can access a variety of fun sessions at no cost to you. The sessions will include a healthy meal and a variety of exciting activities and sports.

If your child is eligible for benefit related free school meals and would like to attend, please register your child through the website

<https://holidayactivitiesindudley.com/registeryour-child/>

The programme will cover the summer and Christmas holidays in 2021.

The focus of the programme will be on children (Reception to Year 11) eligible for benefits-related free school meals.

Are you resident in Dudley Borough?

Is your child/children age 5 – 16 years old?

Do your child/ children receive free school meals because you are on a low income, or your school have referred you?

If you answer yes to all three questions, we cannot wait to receive your registration



Registering your child(ren) as soon as possible is essential. Registration opens on the 1st May and closes on the 31st of May 2021. If your child is not registered, they won't be able to take part, and we really don't want them to miss out, so the sooner it's done the better. If you are having trouble registering then contact your school who may be able to help

Why do I need to register? We are using a central registration process to make it easier for you to book your child onto activities, which means you only have to provide your information once. We will share your child's information with the provider of any activities that your child takes part in.

When can I book activities? On the 1st June to 31st June 2021 booking the programme activities will be open. You will receive a unique HAF code that enables you to book a maximum of 16 sessions of activities per eligible child throughout the summer holidays. This is a unique code to be used for your child(ren) only. Codes will be monitored by activity providers. Sessions are allocated on a first come, first serve basis.

Keep in Touch! We have a number of social media platforms for you to stay connected so please do give us a follow, like and share!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/dudleyhaf/>

<https://twitter.com/DudleyHaf>

<https://www.instagram.com/dudleyhaf/>



Be part of our family

WHITSUN HALF-TERM

10:00 AM - 3:30 PM

WEEK 1: TUE 1ST - FRI 4TH JUNE 2021

Malvern Active

Thirlstane Rd, Malvern WR14 3PL

Redhill Foundation School

Junction Rd, Stourbridge DY8 1JX

Sandwell Academy

Halfords lane, West Bromwich, B71 4LG

£52 FOR 4 DAYS / £20 PER INDIVIDUAL DAY

Our camps will operate within the protective measures for out-of-school settings during COVID-19 guidelines, issued by the Government.



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Kingswinford Academy

COVID-19 Testing at home of pupils and students in Secondary Schools Privacy Statement

Ownership of the Personal Data

To enable the Covid-19 testing to be completed at **Kingswinford Academy**, we need to process personal data, including the sharing of personal data where this is allowed under data protection legislation. **Kingswinford Academy** (as part of Windsor Academy Trust) is the Data Controller for the data required for the management of tests and implementing local arrangements in the event of a positive test and undertaking any actions needed by school as part of the school's health (including public health), welfare and safeguarding role and obligations.

Personal data relating to tests for students and pupils is processed under article 6 (1) (e) of the UK GDPR (public task). This is based on the school's proprietor's official authority for the conduct of the school. Section 175 of the Education Act 2002 and paragraph 7 of the Schedule to the Education (Independent School Standards) Regulations 2014 for independent schools including Academy Schools and Alternative Provision Academies are also relevant.

We will process special category personal data under the provisions of article 9.2(i) of the UK GDPR, and Part 1 of Schedule 1(3) of DPA 2018 where it is in the public interest on Public Health Grounds to ensure we can minimise the spread of COVID in a timely manner and enable us to continue to deliver education services as safely and securely as possible. This data is processed under the obligations set out in Public Health legislation (Regulations 3(1) and (4) of the Health Service (Control of Patient Information) Regulations 2002 (COPI)) which allows the sharing of data for COVID related purposes and where it is carried out by a health care professional **OR** someone who owes an equivalent duty of confidentiality to that data.

Ownership of the Personal Data you share with DHSC

Every time you use a lateral flow test you must report the results. More details can be found here - [Report a COVID-19 test result - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/guidance/report-a-covid-19-test-result). The Department for Health and Social Care (DHSC) is the data controller for the information that you transfer to them about you and

your test results. For more information about what the DHSC do with your data please see their [COVID-19 Privacy Notice](#)

The school remains the Data Controller for the data we retain about you for the management of tests and implementing local arrangements in the event of a positive test.

You should read both this Privacy Notice and the DHSC COVID-19 Privacy Notice to understand how your personal data is used prior to taking a test.

Personal Data involved

The following personal data is processed by the school in relation to your test:

- Name
- Unique code assigned to each individual test and which will become the primary reference number for the tests.
- Test result

For more information about what the DHSC do with your data please see their [COVID-19 Privacy Notice](#)

How we store your personal information

The school will maintain a test kit log which will record against your name details of the testing kit which has been provided to you. The school may also record Personal Data about you in its internal COVID-19 test register (the school's COVID-19 test register will not be shared with DHSC). This information will only be stored securely on locally managed systems with appropriate access controls in school and will only be accessible to personnel involved in the management of tests and implementing local arrangements in the event of a positive test.

The school will retain its test kit log and COVID-19 test register for a period of twelve (12) months from the date of the last entries made by the school into them.

For more information about what the DHSC do with your data please see their [COVID-19 Privacy Notice](#)

Processing of Personal Data Relating to Positive test results

We will use this information to enact our own COVID isolation and control processes without telling anyone who it is that has received the positive test.

For more information about what the DHSC do with your data please see their [COVID-19 Privacy Notice](#)

This information will be kept by the school for a period of twelve (12) months and by the NHS for eight (8) years.

Processing of Personal Data Relating to Negative and Void test results

We will record a negative and void result for the purpose of stock controls of tests and general performance of the testing process.

Data Sharing Partners

The personal data associated with test results will be shared with

- DHSC, NHS, PHE – to ensure that they can undertake the necessary Test and Trace activities and to conduct research and compile statistical information about Coronavirus.
- Your GP – the NHS may share the information you provide with your GP to maintain your medical records and to offer support and guidance as necessary. Any data you provide to the [school/college] will not be shared with your GP.
- Local Government to undertake local public health duties and to record and analyse local spreads.

Personal Data in the school's test kit log will be shared with DHSC to identify which test kit has been given to which individual in the event of a product recall. The school will not share its internal COVID-19 test register with DHSC.

Your Rights

Under data protection law, you have rights including:

Your right of access - You have the right to ask us for copies of your personal information.

Your right to rectification - You have the right to ask us to rectify personal information you think is inaccurate. You also have the right to ask us to complete information you think is incomplete.

Your right to erasure - You have the right to ask us to erase your personal information in certain circumstances.

Your right to restriction of processing - You have the right to ask us to restrict the processing of your personal information in certain circumstances.

Your right to object to processing - You have the right to object to the processing of your personal information in certain circumstances.

Your right to data portability - You have the right to ask that we transfer the personal information you gave us to another organisation, or to you, in certain circumstances.

You are not required to pay any charge for exercising your rights. If you make a request, we have one month to respond to you.

Please contact us at **tmacdonald@kingswinford.windsoracademytrust.org.uk** if you wish to make a request.

How to complain

If you have any concerns about our use of your personal information, you can make a complaint to us at **tmacdonald@kingswinford.windsoracademytrust.org.uk**

You can also complain to the ICO if you are unhappy with how we have used your data.

The ICO's address:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Helpline number: 0303 123 1113