



Head Teacher's Update 30th April 2021

Another week passes by as we start May this weekend. I hope that you and your family have enjoyed the easing of some restrictions. Please be aware that learners return to school on Wednesday 5th May for 0840. Please find an update on different aspects of our community.

Wednesday 5th May – Friday 7th May is Week A.

Developing the Young Workforce (DYW)

Please see the message below from Hashim Mohammed our School Co-ordinator for DYW.

The **Get Work Ready** programme is six short sessions over three days from 10 – 12 May. We encourage young people to attend the full programme, but for those who are unable due to other timetable commitments, individual sessions can be booked. More information on timings and registration is all on this link:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/146413397413>

Why not sign up to one of our mailers to receive information about events and opportunities: [Parents/Carers](#) & [Young People](#) - [Sign up here](#)

Safety Precautions

Please remember that if anyone in your household is showing symptoms: high temperature, continuous cough, breathing difficulties and/or no sense of smell or taste then all members of the household must self-isolate. Please book a test as quickly as possible and wait for the result. If positive, the whole household must self-isolate for 10 days, if negative then the household can stop self-isolating immediately.

Home Testing Kits

Please sign the consent form and support your child in accessing the home testing kits for COVID-19. These are used if you do **not** have symptoms and will substantially support the suppression of the virus. The more of our community that engage in this, the safer our community is. Please find a short video (6 mins) [here](#) of how to take the test. Please contact the school if you wish to discuss further or require support.



Football

We started our S1 and S2 football tournament this week. A number of students have been involved in the matches, which have been played in good humour. Please note that this is a league and will run for the next 6 weeks every lunch time. There are two matches played on each pitch over lunch. Please note that students can sign up at the start of lunch to play.

Next week's matches are:

	Pitch 1	Pitch 2	Pitch 3
Wed 5th May	1A1 v 1D1 1M2 v 1D2	1M1 v 1A2 2M1 v 2A2	2A1 v 2D1 2M2 v 2D2
Thur 6th May	1A1 v 1A2 1M1 v 1M2	1D1 v 1D2 2D1 v 2D2	2A1 v 2A2 2M1 v 2M2

From next week I will include the results and current standings in the league. Best of luck to all the teams!

Appropriate Clothing

We appreciate that the weather is changeable. Please note that learners should continue to be mindful when dressing for school – especially of current health & safety measures: windows and doors open for ventilation; learners outside whenever possible.

Please note that leggings are not part of school uniform and if learners wear these then there should also be a skirt as well. We will have a small supply of a variety of skirts to support any student who does not have one.

Community Update

Energize Health & Fitness have a new after school opportunity for youths to attend the gym and teen classes. This is completely FREE for 13-16 year olds who can attend the gym Monday to Friday from 3-6pm.

We have teen fitness classes, HIIT sessions, Teen Boxfit / Self-defence. There is an initial medical waiver form that does need signed by a parent / carer prior to first use - part of the process for health & safety.

Getting everyone back on track for fitness is imperative for their good health.

For more details please contact the establishment directly on:

Phone: 0131 317 0260

E-mail: club@energizegym.co.uk

Local Community

A thank-you to all learners who are aware of the local community by keeping the 2m social distance from all adults and following protocols in local services. Another thank-you to all learners who dispose of their litter responsibly. Please keep this going!

Senior Reports

As a staff we agreed to continue to produce the engagement reports for seniors. Please note that these grades reflect effort/engagement in class (or online if relevant) and does not reflect any attainment or performance in assessments.

Senior Assessment Timetable: 5th May – 7th May 2021

Please find a summary of the proposed senior assessments for next week. Your child should be aware of these and if there are any questions, your child should contact their class teacher in the first instance. The information below has the year group, the timetable column, subject and subject level. Please note that we as a staff have worked hard to ensure that no learner faces more than two assessments requiring revision in any one day.

5 May

- 00:00 Week A →
- H/AH Drama performance assessments

6 May

- ← Week A
- 4F Computing Science N5 Practical Assessment
- 4G Computing Science N5 Practical Assessment
- 5/6 A History H&N5
- 5/6 A Modern Studies H&AH
- 5/6D Computing Science H/N5 Practical Assessment
- 5/6D ESOL
- 5/6D H/N5 English RUAE Assessment

7 May

- ← 00:00 Week A
- 4G Comp Science N5 Practical Assessment
- 5/6 B AH Physics paper 1
- 5/6 B ESOL
- 5/6 B H/N5 English Critical Essay Assessment
- After school- senior flexible ESOL

A moment of reflection -
(courtesy of the RE Faculty)

"Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

Joshua 1:9

As the lockdown measures ease, we as a community are still realising the full impact of the pandemic. If we can help in anyway, please contact us.

Have a wonderful weekend and we look forward to seeing our learners next Wednesday!