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Senior School Newsletter

5th June 2020

Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils

I hope you and your families are keeping well.

I would like to extend a warm welcome back to pupils as we begin our remote learning for the final half-term of the academic year. I am sure that last September nobody could have predicted what lay ahead for us and I would like to congratulate our pupils for the way the vast majority of them have adapted to working from home and engaged with live lessons. The staff, too, deserve great credit for moving so quickly to a completely new way of working.

I am sure every family has faced its challenges in recent months and our Pastoral Team has been working hard to identify and support any of our pupils who have struggled to adapt. I would urge those who may have fallen behind to start afresh and try their best to engage in the lessons and the work set by their teachers, both on the app and especially during the live lessons. This will ensure that they are not disadvantaged when we return to some kind of normality.

We know it is not easy, but your teachers, form teacher and the Pastoral Team are here to help, so please make use of them.



Understandably, the thoughts of our Year 11 pupils are turning to the next stage of their education. I would encourage them to continue to check their school emails so that we can continue to support them during this transition period. Individual subject teachers are happy to set activities that might help pupils in their move towards post-16 education, so please contact them.

Mrs Smith is emailing families and students in both Years 10 and 11 with regular updates from local colleges. Many of them are now offering information regarding transition or Virtual Open Events to both year groups. In the current situation, these may be the only opportunity for our Year 10s to 'visit' the college before applications open in the Autumn.

So, don't forget—check your emails!

VIRTUAL OPEN DAYS!

School Leavers - June 11th
Adult Learners - June 18th

School Leaver
Virtual Open Day
11th June 2020

Pre-register now so you don't miss out: www.macclesfield.ac.uk/events/

Macclesfield College Open Days

Although Senior pupils are continuing with remote learning, Pre-School will be opening its doors to some children from Monday. Mrs Khinda and her team have been working hard to ensure that the site is ready for those children who are returning.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank her for all her efforts in preparing Pre-School along with the office, site and cleaning staff, who are working together to make sure that the building and site is clean and safe.

Live Lessons

Day	Period					
	1 (9.10am-10.10am)	2 (10.10am-11.10am)	3 (11.30am-12.30pm)	4 (12.30pm-1.30pm)	Lunch (1.30pm-2.25pm)	5 (2.25pm-3.25pm)
Monday 8 th June	All classes – form time with form tutor (9.30am – 10.00am)	Yr 7 Geography RL	Yr 8 Science VP/JR	Yr 7 Computing MC		Yr 10 Triple Science Chemistry VP
		Yr 10 Maths JMc/MS	Yr 9 Maths JMc/MS	Yr 8 Spanish SH		Yr 10 Combined Science JR
Tuesday 9 th June	Yr 9 Maths JMc/MS		Yr 7 Food JN	Yr 8 French KB	**Yr 10 History MB (both option X and Y History groups)	Yr 7 Science VP
	Yr 10 Triple Science Physics CB (Not Combined Science)		Yr 9 Science JR/VP	Yr 10 English EH/CG		Yr 10 Option X (Geography RL / Spanish SH)

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Wednesday 10 th June	Yr 7 Spanish SH	Yr 8 Maths JMc/MS	Yr 8 PE AL/JS	Yr 7 English EH		Yr 7 Music AB
	Yr 9 Science JR/VP		Yr 9 French KB			Yr 10 Option Z (Psychology LS / French KB) (Not Separate Science)
Thursday 11 th June	Yr 8 Food JN/ Art EO	Yr 7 History MB	Yr 8 Geography RL/ History MB	Yr 7 Maths MS		Yr 8 Geography RL/ History MB
	Yr 9 Geography RL/ History MB		Yr 9 Art EO/ Food JN	Yr 10 Triple Science Biology JR		
Friday 12 th June	Yr 10 Maths JMc/MS	*Yr 9 Computing MC	Yr 7 French SH	Yr 7 PE JS/AL		Quiz for all form groups
	Yr 10 Option Y (Food JN / Sports Studies JS/AL / Art, 3D Des EO)		*Yr 8 Computing MC	Yr 9 Geography RL/ History MB		

*Years 8 and 9 Computing (MC) - classes for all the year group

**Tuesday lunch: History (Options X and Y) MB and ITQ (Options X and W) MC

Live Lessons on Teams

Please note that the link to each live lesson will not be sent to pupils until 10 minutes before it is scheduled to begin. This is to ensure that there is full staff supervision at all times during the meeting.



Elevate Education

We have been working with Elevate Education for a number of years, using their expertise to help our pupils work more effectively. In recent weeks, they have presented a number of webinars which I know a number of you have found useful.

During half term over 3,000 parents nationally signed up for the Time Management webinar, including many Hulme Hallers. The presenters shared advice on time management and organisation and did a walk through of how to use a weekly planner that all attendees were sent to fill in with their children. This is now available for those of you who could not attend to download [here](#).

Elevate are running their final webinar in this three-part series next Tuesday 9th June, where the focus will be on the essential study skills that students need to become independent learners.



Details of the event are as follows:

Event Title: How to help your child study smarter, not just harder

Date: Tuesday 9th June 2020

Time: 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Cost: Free

Sign-Up Link: <https://get.elevatecoaching.info/uk/webinar-signup-9-june/>

I do hope that some of you will be able to sign up, as I know the tips and advice offered will no doubt assist you with encouraging your sons / daughters to develop greater independence when studying at home.

Mrs Jackie Smith, Assistant Headteacher

Sprint Into the Weekend

The PE department challenged Year 7 pupils to perfect their sprint starts this week and they are looking good! We are particularly impressed that some of you even changed into your PE kit to complete the task!



Staying on the theme of running, Matthew A in Year 9 has been taking to his treadmill to keep his fitness levels up. How many miles do you think that he has run this week?!

Flower Power



Summer in a Hat

We think this amazing living hat created by Izzy in Year 10 embodies the very essence of summer!

Inspired by Emmeline Pankhurst, she has used the suffragette colours of green and purple as the basis for her hat and chosen flowers that attract bees to incorporate a Manchester theme.

It is a truly inspired piece that pays homage to designer, Alexander McQueen, and will hopefully continue to flower for the next 3-4 months.

The straw and chicken wire base help to retain moisture but it comes with a warning—not to wear it after it has just been watered! Izzy found out the hard way!



Floral Delights

Emma P from Year 10 has also taken inspiration from nature capturing these stunning photographs of flowers.



Oliver Q from Year 9 is in the process of making a 3D mask from materials found at home. We can't wait to see the finished results!

A Box of Delights

This box has been designed and made by Ben H in Year 10 for his 3D project.

Think we could all do with one of these to help us stay neat and tidy as we work at home!



Hulme Hall Challenges

Are you Green Fingered or Full of Compost?

Do you know your lily from your lupin? We were inspired by the use of flowers in Izzy and Emma's artwork and thought we would test your knowledge of flowers! Can you identify the 16 flowers below? Answers next week.



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Hulme Hall Challenges

Riddle Me This!

Can you work out the following riddles?

1. I am not alive, but I grow; I don't have lungs, but I need air; I don't have a mouth, but water kills me. What am I?
2. I make two people out of one. What am I?
3. My life can be measured in hours, I serve by being devoured. Thin, I am quick. Fat, I am slow. Wind is my foe. What am I?
4. I am as light as a feather, yet no man can hold me for long. What am I?
5. The more you take away, the more I become. What am I?

How many films did you guess from the emojis? Here are the answers for you!



Answers

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| 1. Silence of the Lambs | 13. Finding Nemo |
| 2. Four Weddings and a Funeral | 14. Wolf of Wall Street |
| 3. Castaway | 15. Blade Runner |
| 4. E.T. | 16. The Good, The Bad and The Ugly |
| 5. The Sixth Sense | 17. Raging Bull |
| 6. Edwards Scissorhands | 18. A Clockwork Orange |
| 7. Blood Diamond | 19. American Beauty |
| 8. Psycho | 20. Casino Royale |
| 9. Les Misérables | 21. The Blair Witch Project |
| 10. Brokeback Mountain | 22. Trainspotting |
| 11. Moneyball | 23. Fight Club |
| 12. King's Speech | 24. Lord of the Rings |



Did you work out who this little boy was?...
It was Mr Wilks of course!

Birthday Wishes

Happy 9th birthday to Henry T

Happy 13th birthday to Jessica R

Happy 14th to George S & Harrison B

We hope you all enjoyed your birthdays!