

Bulletin Home – 10 July 2020

Dear Parent and Student,

Well we have virtually got to the end of the academic year and, as we have already owned, it has been a year like no other. I want to thank you all for your engagement and support.

We are very much looking forward to September. Next week, once we have completed all our final risk assessments with our Facilities Management Company and our overarching Operational Risk Assessment is finalised, I will write to you again with the detailed arrangements for the new academic year. Our plan involves a phased start to the academic year to enable all our young people to receive the support they require as they transition back into attending school every day and following a full curriculum. We will also have staggered start times to the day for different year groups and a staggered end of school day with regards to timings. All of this detail will be shared prior to the end of the term. To enable your preparation, however, I can advise now that our year groups will be returning on different days as follows. Once a year group has returned on their allocated day they are to be in school every day thereafter.

Year 7 and Year 12 - 3rd September.

These two new year groups will engage in induction and transition work on Thursday 3rd September and Friday 4th September.

Year 11 – 7th September

Years 8 and 13 – 8th September

Year 9 – 10th September

Year 10 – 9th September

As you can see, all year groups will have the opportunity for special support and a positive re-engagement experience. Throughout the first full week of term, each day we welcome more young people into school so that by Thursday all will be back in school. There will be some adjustments to be made other than in terms of students being in school every day for the whole of their timetabled day. We necessarily will have some new routines which our young people will need to become familiar with and adhere to. All of these will be fully explained and are absolutely about endeavouring to ensure that everyone is as safe as they possibly can be. To reassure you all, we are planning meticulously in order that the health and well-being of all members of our school community is fully prioritised and that we do everything possible to reduce risk.

Next week, apart from receiving additional communication from me about the arrangements for September, I also encourage you all to view our end of academic year 'Celebration Assembly'. This programme is being finalised at present and will not only have the usual prize giving for truly exceptional achievement, but will also include our 'Beechwood has got talent' performances. A real treat for us all to look forward to and which enables us to end our term on a high. There is more information below from Ms Irvine.



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BE A LEADER
BE A WINNER
BE A DREAMER
BE A CREDIT TO THE SCHOOL
BE THE ONE WHO'S EXCEPTIONAL
BE DEMANDING
BE COURAGIOUS
BE THE IDEA
THAT'S CONTAGIOUS
BE YOURSELF
BE SET FREE
BE THE BEST YOU CAN BE

Also ending on a high, please see below information from Mr Goodman about our 'Virtual Sports' Day'. Huge congratulations to all participants and to those that were victorious. I am delighted to see such engagement and success.

Very best wishes for the week ahead



Kathleen M Higgins
Executive Headteacher

Message from Ms Irvine

Beechwood News:

Throughout the lockdown, the small group of students that have been in school have been creating Beechwood News, which we know so many of you are watching. All 10 episodes are available through the Beechwood News Google Classroom. Our final episode for this term is going to broadcast on Friday 17th at 11am through the Beechwood News Classroom on Google. During this special episode we will hold our first virtual Celebration Assembly with awards that will be announced and then posted to students. There will also be, as part of this episode, our first virtual 'Beechwood's Got Talent' where we have accepted entries from across all year groups in the school - there will even be some staff talent on show! There will also be a few surprises along the way - so make sure you tune in. We hope that all of our Beechwood families will take the time to watch this episode together, if possible at 11am to make it a real community event so we can together finish off our school year and celebrate the success of our students - even in these difficult times.

Message from PE Department

Virtual Sports Day 2020:

Well done to all those staff and pupils who took part in our first ever virtual sports day at Beechwood School. We hope that you enjoyed taking part in the different activities and have learnt something about your fitness strengths and weaknesses, alongside what type of athletes require different components of fitness within their sports or activities. Remember it is really important to stay as active as possible, whenever possible. Thanks again to all who took part, please see the results for each individual year group. We look forward to seeing you all again soon.

Virtual Sports Day 2020 Results:

Year 7:		
Position:	Name:	Points:
1st	Inshal Rizvi	17
2nd	Ayesha Imran	16
	Kallum Gibson	16
3rd	Wayne Tapson	15

Year 8:		
Position:	Name:	Points:
1st	Ikra Salman Fazil	19
2nd	Piper Owen	18
3rd	Brajan Kuczynski	16
	Tobey Ruffle	16

Year 9:		
Position:	Name:	Points:
1st	Kevone Gallimore	18
	Zain Mahmood	18
2nd	Aaron Webb	13
	Mateusz Barczyk	13
3rd	Zoe Fernandez-Clark	12

Year 10:		
Position:	Name:	Points:
1st	Nadir	16
2nd	Levente	11
3rd	Michalina	10

Teachers:		
Place:	Name:	Points:
1st	Karen Ratcliffe	12
2nd	Kath Byrom	10
3rd	Caterina Houghton	9

The Olympic Games has been moved to Summer 2021 and will be hosted in Japan.

Mr Goodman and the PE Department
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