



School Newsletter 386

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Thursday 19 November 2020

Head's Introduction



Dear Parents and Carers,

We look forward to hosting the 'virtual' Year 9 Parents' Evening next Wednesday (further detail in this Newsletter). This will be an opportunity for families to discuss their children's success and how to provide support.

Coronavirus

We continue to regularly review the school's risk assessment to ensure all necessary measures are in place to keep students and staff safe.

My child has symptoms. What should I do? If your child or someone they live with develops one of the main symptoms of Covid-19, your child must not attend their school. If this happens:

- Anyone with symptoms must self-isolate and book a test on GOV.UK
- Household members without symptoms must self-isolate for 14 days, or until the person with symptoms receives a negative test
- You must tell the school as soon as possible
- The school will provide remote learning
- If your child's test comes back negative your child can return to school and the rest of the household can stop isolating, so long as they remain clear of a temperature for 48 hours

My child has tested positive for Covid-19. When should my child attend school? You must contact the school immediately to inform us.

- Your child should not come into school for 14 days from when they either first showed symptoms or if they did not show symptoms, from when they received the positive test result.
- The school will provide remote learning.

My child has been in close contact with someone who has Coronavirus.

- Within school we will identify all close contacts and inform them of the isolation period and when they should return to school.
- Outside of school your child only needs to isolate if they are told to do so by the NHS Test and Trace service.
- If you believe your child has been in close contact with someone with symptoms or tested positive for Covid-19, they should continue to attend school, unless told not to by NHS Test and Trace, but take extra care with handwashing and social distancing outside the classroom.

If someone in your child's class or bubble develops symptoms. What happens?

If a student or staff member in your child's class or bubble develops Coronavirus symptoms, they will:

- be sent home
- be advised to self-isolate
- need to book a test

Members of their household should also self-isolate until the individual has received their test result. If the test is negative and they feel well enough, they may return to school. If the test is positive, the contact and tracing team will:

- speak to them about their recent movements
- contact the school or college
- inform Public Health England
- carry out a rapid risk assessment to identify who has been in close contact with them during the period they were infectious

Staff and students identified as close contacts may be sent home and advised to self-isolate for up to 14 days. Other members of their household will not need to self-isolate, unless the person isolating develops symptoms.

Anti-Bullying Week 2020

The theme this week is 'Unite Against Bullying'. This is because, to reduce bullying, it is everyone's responsibility to stop bullying. On Monday, in support of 'Odd Socks' Day, both students and staff wore a variety of colourful odd socks.



We have also held Assemblies and Form Time activities throughout the week. Form groups have been identifying three things, as a school, we can do to reduce bullying. Each student then made a pledge to what they will do to reduce bullying.

As a parent or carer, you are a vital piece of the puzzle in tackling bullying. You have a unique role to play in guiding and supporting your child through their school years and there are lots of positive steps you can take to help keep your child safe from bullying and harm. One step is knowing when to ask for support. We have attached a booklet to help you understand what is bullying, how you can help reduce bullying and how you can support your child.

Our school website also has useful resources for students and parents - <https://archbishopholgates.academy/anti-bullying-and-discrimination-2/>. Included in this page is a link to an online interactive toolkit to complete and help you understand what is bullying and how you can best support your child.

If you have any concerns about your child being bullied please contact school so we can help.

Upcoming Events

Wed 25 Nov	Y9 Parents' Evening
Mon 30 Nov	Y7 Flu Vaccinations

AHS Feedback

We welcome all feedback and thank all parents for their valuable contributions. If you have a query or simply an observation about the school please complete the form online.



Social Media



Please follow us on Twitter @AHSYork or Facebook to keep up to date with the latest news and events!



This Week's School News



Year 9 Parents' Evening

Next Wednesday, 25 November, we will be hosting Year 9 Parents' Evening via the Google Meet online platform.

Students have been given an appointment sheet and will be collecting appointments with their teachers throughout the week. On the evening you will need to login to your child's Google account and launch Google Meet where you will see all booked appointments.

Full instructions on how to use Google Meet are available on the school website: <https://archbishopholgates.academy/parents/parents-evening-information/>

If you need any support on how to use Google Meet, login details or how to access via different devices, please contact school by email: parentsevening@archbishopholgates.org

Notice for all members of Boys Aloud!

We will be hosting a one-off rehearsal to learn and record our Christmas song! We will be meeting, socially distanced, in the Main Hall, 3.30-5.30pm on Tuesday 1 December. A link for the song is available on Google Classroom along with the lyrics. For those who are self-isolating or unable to attend the rehearsal, we will be providing a zoom link.

Any boys in Year 7 who would like to join Boys Aloud – please email Mrs Newton (mnewton@archbishopholgates.org) who will add you to the group!

Staff & Community Choir

This year, we will be rehearsing remotely and would like to involve as many members of the school community as possible. We have chosen a classic choice this year, a new arrangement of "We wish you a Merry Christmas."



All the resources (music and rehearsal tracks) for the song can be found at: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1yPIBHV-cjdfZnQAIIXRjPaEnbBydEBnZ?usp=sharing>

Once you have learnt your part, please sing along to the performance or rehearsal track (with headphones) and send a video recording (or just audio if you prefer) to us at school via We Transfer or upload to the Google Drive in the 'Recordings' folder. Please email Mrs Newton (mnewton@archbishopholgates.org) at school for further information or support, should you need it! Recordings should be completed by Friday 4 December.

We will be arranging a community Zoom rehearsal for anyone who would like to join us on Thursday 3 December, 5.00pm.

Admissions Consultation for 2022-23 Entry

This year's Admissions Consultation is being jointly held by all admissions authorities in the City of York between 12 October and 29 November 2020. The consultation includes the admissions policies and planned number of places available at each school for entry in September 2022. For more information and to respond to the consultation, please visit the admissions page on our website or www.york.gov.uk/AdmissionsConsultation.

Careers Corner

York and North Yorkshire - Learn Live

Exploring Pathways Session

Monday 23 November, 1.00-2.00pm

Need help with deciding your next steps? Join us for this one-hour session to be held on the 'Learn Live' platform. Featuring a series of pre-recorded videos on Post-16/18 pathways, including:

- Apprenticeships
- T-Levels
- Further and Higher education options

The videos will be accompanied by a 'Live Chat' option; with individuals from employers and other representatives to answer students' questions in real time.

To join the event please register at <https://learnliveuk.com/partner/york-north-yorkshire-lep/>

The session will also be available 'on demand' for 12 months following the live session. The 'Live Chat' two-way interaction will only be available on the day, but will be accessible to read back afterwards.



The Environment Change Opportunity Club

The ECO Club were out and about around school this week, completing a litter pick of the school field, filling 3 bags full of rubbish! They are still recruiting Y8s on Tuesday's in PE1 and are forward thinking in leading change at school, home and the local community.



Food for Thought

This week, Form Tutor Collective Worship focuses on the question of how do we get back on track. One of our daily quotes:

"Facing difficulties is inevitable. Learning from them is optional!"

John C Maxwell - American author, speaker, and church leader

To receive the daily Thought for the Day straight to your phone or other electronic device sign up to [@AHSChaplaincy](https://twitter.com/AHSChaplaincy) on Twitter.



MFL Stars of the Week

Students were nominated by Language staff to receive an Effort merit, a postcard home and appear on the 'Stars Wall' for all their hard work:

KS3 French – Clementine Ensor, 8ABt
 KS3 German – Rhys Hutchinson, 7Mr
 KS3 Spanish - Alex Grist, 7Gr
 KS4 French – Adam Wong, 11Cr
 KS4 German – Elliot Ewen, 10ERo &
 Regan Rogerson, 11ACo
 KS4Spanish – Inez Khaddi, 11DCI





This Week's Sixth Form News



Updates from Assistant Head: Acting Director of Post 16, Mr Williams

Applying for a place in September 2021

A reminder that if you were unable to view the presentations or would like further information, please check out our Sixth Form Open Evening website: <https://archbishopholgates.academy/sixth-form-open-evening>. The range of presentations, videos and prospectus will offer lots of guidance about courses and how to apply. Year 11 students have been given application forms. These should be returned to Form Tutors by Monday 14 December. Students are also having 1:1 meetings throughout this week and next to discuss their next steps.



Updates from the Sixth Form team

Both Year 12 and 13 continue to work hard as we enter a very busy part of the term. Year 13 conducted themselves well throughout the mocks last week. We will review these mocks with students in detail and provide individual support and meetings as required in the coming weeks. Year 12 continue to settle into Sixth Form life and are making strong contributions to both form time and wider Sixth Form life.

Discretionary Funding

Please remember, support is available for students who are facing financial difficulty. Circumstances change all the time and we are able to support students in lots of different ways. Please speak to either Miss Cox, Mr Charlton, Mr Williams or Mrs Walton if you require support.



Head of Year 12, Miss Cox

Year 12 Leadership Opportunities

Applications will open from Monday 23 November to apply to be a Student Leader. Students wishing to be a Student Leader should write a letter of application to Mr Williams, indicating their skills, vision for the role and contributions they intend to make to Sixth Form life and the wider school. Students should also indicate in their application if they wish to be considered for the role of School Captain.

Year 12 Enrichment

The Year 12 Enrichment Programme started this week. This is a very important part of Year 12, providing students with the opportunity to widen their experience and follow examples of others. In particular, it helps students add a further experience which will be seen as favourable when making UCAS, apprenticeship or employment applications next year. Students are taking part in the following enrichment activities:

- Arts Award
- Historical Film Club
- Outdoor Sport
- Environmental Leaders
- Debate Club
- Independent academic MOOC (Massive Online Open Courses)

These activities take place on a Wednesday, Period 5, and students will have the option to opt into and change activities each week.

Head of Year 13, Mr Charlton

Year 13 Community Spirit

The Year 13 business group have been leading the collective school effort to gather items for Christmas Hampers. This has already proven to be a success and the Sixth Form boxes have already been emptied once to make room for further donations. Please continue to support the Year 13 business students by donating the following:

- Unopened toiletries products
- Body wash
- Shampoo/Conditioner etc
- Toothbrushes/Toothpaste
- Deodorants

However, anything you can possibly offer will be very gratefully received.



UCAS Applications

A reminder that our internal deadline for UCAS applications has now passed. This is in place to ensure staff can provide the best possible support, including thorough references, before the external deadline. If a student wishes to still make an application, but has missed the deadline, it is really important they speak to Mr Charlton as soon as possible.



Hegemony: The dominant value set in a culture, group, community or organisation. In Media Studies, hegemony refers to the ways in which the media encourage people to consent to status quo power structures.



OF THE WEEK

@AHSSixth_Form: Our whole presentation is now online to watch. Watch and learn more about our Sixth Form Virtual Open Evening Presentation <https://youtu.be/OzuzyXLrHg> via @YouTube



Staff supporting Movember

Seven members of staff are growing moustaches this year to raise awareness and money for the Movember Foundation. Money raised contributes towards issues with men's mental health, including prostate and testicular cancer. Any contributions would be welcome, if you would like to support, please donate using the following link: <https://movember.com/m/14469518?mc=1>. (You can also donate by scanning the QR code with a smartphone camera.) Thank you for your support.



PLEASE SHARE: If you would like to share students' achievements and events in the community, please email jssissons@archbishopholgates.org. It's always nice to celebrate our school community.

Year 10 - Science Period 6 continues

As part of our commitment to support students with their learning, Science Period 6 (after school) sessions continue on a Monday evening until Christmas. The sessions cover essential Biology, Physics and Chemistry revision and will be led by subject specialists. Students will have received an invite to the sessions which take place in the Harris Building (English block). Those without an invite do not need to attend. Students have been informed which group and room to attend.

To supplement this, each student has been invited to join the Science P6 Google Classroom. This will ensure that all resources covered are easily accessible from home or Homework Club. Please do encourage your child to accept our invitation. Thank you for your support. Mr Lever

Week	Subject	Rooms
10	Biology – Cells 2 (Diffusion and Osmosis)	En5, 7 and 9
11	Physics – Electricity 1 (DC Circuit Rules)	En5, 7 and 9
12	Chemistry – Structures and Bonding 1/ Head Start on Moles	En5, 7 and 9
13	Biology – Organisation 1 (Hierarchy, Enzymes and Digestion)	En5, 7 and 9
14	Physics – Electricity 2 (TBC)	En5, 7 and 9

TERM 2 – OCT HT - CHRISTMAS

Year 10 Maths Period 6

Sessions resume on Tuesday, this half term we will be focussing on Geometry and Data topics. We look forward to seeing everyone there.

Group	Higher	F/H (Crossover)	Foundation
Room	EN7 (& 8)	EN6 (& 5)	EN9
Staff	KMd/MSt	SMr/Cb	ACo/CMp
Tue 24 Nov	Loci	Basic Constructions	Area
Tue 1 Dec	Transformations	Transformations	Transformations
Tue 8 Dec	Averages (from tables)	Averages	Averages
Tue 15 Dec	Probability Trees	Probability	Probability



Year 10 Autumn 2 English P6 sessions
Every Thursday, 3.10pm-4.00pm



Date	Room 1 Target 7-9 Students (Ev/Cm) En4	Room 2 Target 7-9 Students (RMe/Hm/CAd) En7	Room 3 Target 7-9 Students (Ed/LBr) En6	Room 4 Target Up to Grade 6 Students (Bm/Est) En10	Room 5 Target Up to Grade 6 Students (Cr/DCI) En11
26 Nov	Language Paper 1 SB Controlling events in Development and Turning Point	Language Paper 1 SB Controlling events in Development and Turning Point	Language Paper 1 SB Controlling events in Development and Turning Point	Language Paper 1 SB Controlling events in Development and Turning Point	Language Paper 1 SB Controlling events in Development and Turning Point
3 Dec	Language Paper 1 SB Independent Planning				
10 Dec	Language Paper 1 SB Independent Writing				

A list of recommended revision materials to support Year 10 and 11 students in their GCSE English revision can be found below:

- J.B. Priestley, An Inspector Calls, Heinemann - ISBN 978-0435232825
- Charles Dickens, A Christmas Carol, Wordsworth Classics - ISBN 978-1840227567
- William Shakespeare, Romeo and Juliet, Oxford School Shakespeare - ISBN 978-0198321668

If you think your child would benefit from additional revision resources on these texts, we recommend:

- Romeo and Juliet : York Notes - ISBN 978-1408248829
- An Inspector Calls: York Notes - ISBN 978-1408248737
- CPG A Christmas Carol: The Text Guide - ISBN: 9781782943099
- CPG AQA Anthology of Poetry: Love and Relationships - ISBN: 9781782943624 (Year 10 only)

Physical Education Department



Inter House Competition Results

Before half term we were able to hold our first inter house competition of the year. The inter house Cross Country was run in lessons and, unusually, the weather managed to hold for the whole week. We had some fantastic performances from every year group and it was great to see everyone working hard to gain as many points as they could for their house. Below are the winners from each year group and the overall house champions. Hopefully, later in the year, we can run some more of the inter house competitions and also have our amazing whole school Sports Day in the summer term.

Y7 Girls' Cross Country Winner: Lucy Gilbertson, 7Gr			
1st - Ouse	2nd - Foss	3rd - Esk	4th - Derwent
Y7 Boys' Cross Country Winner: Charlie Blades, 7NTh			
1st - Foss	2nd - Esk	3rd - Ouse	4th - Derwent
Y8 Girls' Cross Country Winner: Ruby Watson, 8JHe			
1st - Ouse	2nd - Derwent	3rd - Foss	4th - Esk
Y8 Boys' Cross Country Winner: Jimmy Hendon, 8Di			
1st - Ouse	2nd - Foss	3rd - Derwent	4th - Ouse
Y9 Girls' Cross Country Winner: Lottie Langan, 9Kx			
1st - Derwent	2nd - Foss	3rd - Esk	4th - Ouse
Y9 Boys' Cross Country Winners: Oliver Meillam, 9Ks and Mo Boudjema, 9EMl			
1st - Esk	2nd - Derwent	3rd - Ouse	4th - Foss



Extra-Curricular PE

The new extra-curricular timetable has now started with additional clubs for Year 8 and 9:

- Monday – Y7 Netball (Sports Hall)
- Tuesday – Y9 Basketball (Gym)
Y9 Netball (Tennis Courts)
Y7 Rugby (Field)
Y8 Football (Field)
- Thursday – Y7 Cricket (Sports Hall)
Y9 Dance

Opportunity to win a Fitbit!



Secondary School Run: Due to the current pandemic, many of the inter school competitions have been cancelled including the cross country event. We are looking to run a virtual competition across schools and this half term's challenge is a distance run. To enter, students need to run the following distance: Y7-8 – 2.5km; Y9-11 – 3.5km. Then enter the time by logging on to www.koboca.co.uk entering the username for Archbishop Holgate's School (Archbishop13 / Ofbe3592e951). To encourage people to stay active in these unprecedented times, York School Sports network are providing a Fitbit Ionic to one student who enters a virtual competition before Christmas (this will be a random selection, not the fastest time). Thank you to everyone who takes part. Kevin Davies, York School Sports Manager.

PE Lessons

Students should always bring their PE kit to lesson even if they are excused by a medical note. If a student is too unwell to take part fully in the lesson, teachers will differentiate so they can be part of the lesson in some capacity.

PE Kit for Period 1

A reminder that students who have PE Period 1 must arrive at school in their PE kit.

School PE Kit

A reminder that all PE kit should be clearly named. If a student misplaces any PE kit, this makes it easier to return items to their rightful owner.

The department would like to clarify that the optional PE hoodie can be used for PE lessons, but we encourage students to wear the reversible PE top as this is safer for rugby.

PE Uniform

Reminder that students will be asked to remove ALL jewellery for PE lessons. This is a health and safety precaution and must be adhered to. Thank you.



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