



WEEKLY BULLETIN

ISSUE 5
MONDAY 12th October (Week A)

THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR STUDENTS' MENTAL HEALTH

It has been a really productive week at Holyrood which has seen Mrs Davison lead assemblies on how to promote positive mental health and recognise when things are not right. The impact of mental health issues on us all are worthy of consideration all the time, not just on and around World Mental Health Day and not just during a pandemic. I was so glad to hear the important messages Mrs Davison shared with the students and I am particularly pleased with the specialist mental health support we are now able to offer our students through our provision of a student Mental Health and Wellbeing Officer - Mrs Akerman. This is a new role at the Academy and is one I think is of paramount importance.

If you are concerned about your child's mental health, you should contact their Form Tutor in the first instance and they will make sure that your child is well supported through whatever challenges they face.

Please do discuss this with your child. Mental health affects us all both positively and negatively and we must be open about it.

Mr MacCormick



DATA COLLECTION - REMINDER

Please can we ask that the data collection information sheets are returned to the Academy as soon as possible.



YEAR 7 REPORTS

Reports for Year 7 students will be emailed out the week beginning 19th October.



HOUSE POINTS

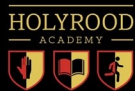
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HOMEWORK CLUB

Due to Covid19 restrictions, Holyrood has not been able to provide Homework Club in its previous format with one-to-one or small group support. However, we are now able to offer a calm and safe space for students to work independently to complete homework and work through their Knowledge Organisers. This will be available for Year 7s on Mondays and Year 8s on Thursdays. They will run from 3.10 to 4.10pm in M2 on Lower Site and be supervised by The Learning Centre staff.

You may also be interested to know that The Learning Centre also stays open until 4.20 for Year 9 on Tuesdays and Years 10 and 11 on Wednesdays.

STAY LATE...YEAR 8



WHAT IS IT? A supervised space to allow Y8 students to complete Homework and work through their Knowledge Organisers.

WHEN IS IT? Every Thursday 3.10 - 4.10pm

WHERE IS IT? M2

Due to social distancing restrictions we cannot offer our usual one-to-one support or group work. However, we can offer a calm, safe space once a week for Year 8s to work independently, supervised by The Learning Centre Team.

HOMEWORK HEAVEN ...YEAR 7



WHAT IS IT? A supervised space to allow Y7 students to complete Homework and work through their Knowledge Organisers.

WHEN IS IT? Every Monday 3.10 - 4.10pm

WHERE IS IT? M2

Due to social distancing restrictions we cannot offer our usual one-to-one support or group work. However, we can offer a calm, safe space once a week for Year 7s to work independently, supervised by The Learning Centre Team.

YEAR 11 - PERIOD 6

We are excited to launch Period 6 for Year 11 students, which will start after the October half term. We know that Year 11 can be a stressful time for many students and we are passionate about students finishing the year in the best possible way. From after October half term, staff will provide an extra lesson after school once a fortnight per subject. During Week A, students will have English on Tuesday, Maths on a Wednesday and Science on a Thursday. Option subjects will then provide their additional lessons during Week B from Monday to Thursday, lessons will run from 15:20-16:20.

We are expecting all Year 11 students to attend all sessions and will ensure that each session is tailored to the needs of each group. So that there are no barriers to attendance, Holyrood Academy is willing, where possible, to provide transport for those who would not be able to attend otherwise.

We will also be providing students with a space to study in the case that parents would be able to pick students up at a time later than 16:20.

Mr Rob Crocker will be writing to the families/carers of Year 11 students this week. Look out for his email for further details.



SCHOOL NURSE

Our school nurse, Justine, is on site on Fridays for students to drop in and ask any questions they may have. To allow for student bubbles and to ensure we are Covid-safe, there are different opportunities for different year groups. See details below:

Years 7 and 8 - Lower Site 1.00pm - 2.10pm

Friday week A

Meeting room opposite Lower Site Reception

Years 9, 10 and 11 - Upper Site 1.00 pm- 2.10 pm

Friday week B

G Block Office