

PARENTAL COMMUNICATION – Friday 6 January 2022

Welcome Back

Happy New Year to all our students, parents and carers.

It has been great to welcome all students back to school today following the two days of LFD testing. I am sure you will join me in thanking all the staff involved with their efficient organisation and facilitation of the testing process.

NEW CATERING	<p>New catering –the new catering company are now in place and serving a fantastic range of food, which has proved to be highly popular. Please see the school website for the new menu's in general information Rutlish School - School Meals</p>												
HOME LEARNING	<p>Thank you to all students who attended remote learning lessons during the past two days. We are aware that some parents have enquired about what laptop is suitable to access MS Office 365 and the online learning platform TEAMS. Please see school website Rutlish School - Home Learning with student IT platform document at the bottom of the page.</p> <p>If students are at home self-isolating due to covid19 but are well enough to do some school work, work will be set either through TEAMS or Fronter. We will be providing further information on this next week. Please contact the school if you experience any technical issues.</p> <p>The school is in the process of enhancing this service and further information will be communicated to you in the next couple of weeks.</p>												
EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES	<p>Clubs and activities have already begun this term and will continue to run regularly. Please be mindful that if we have staff absences, usually connected to covid19 isolation it may result in the club having to be postponed at short notice. Please see Sports Update below.</p>												
SPORTS UPDATE	<p>Inter-House Football</p> <p>We had a fantastic turnout for our inter-house football competition in the last week of last term. We watched some great football skills and top class goals have been scored with even better celebrations!</p> <p>In total 360 students across Years 7 to 10 participated in this highly competitive tournament. Our students have shown teamwork, communication skills and sportsmanship throughout the tournament, all committed to achieving their best for their house. We want to say well done to everyone who took part.</p> <p>These tournaments cannot go ahead without referees so we must thank our Year 10 GCSE PE students who have assisted the PE Department in running and referring the tournaments. Finally, huge congratulations to the following winning houses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 7 - Carthaginians • Year 8 - Argonauts • Year 9 - Vikings • Year 10 - Carthaginians <p>Fixtures next week</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="background-color: #cccccc;">Day</th> <th style="background-color: #cccccc;">Fixtures</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Monday</td> <td>Year 8 – Rugby vs Ibstock (H) Year 7 – Football vs St Joseph's (A)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tuesday</td> <td>Year 7 - 2 Rugby vs Ibstock (H)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wednesday</td> <td>Year 11 - Rugby Vs Ibstock (H)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Thursday</td> <td>Year 10 - Rugby Vs Ibstock (A) Year 9 - Football Vs Hampton (H)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Friday</td> <td>Year 9 - Rugby Vs Ibstock (A)</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>All the best for our teams next week!</p> <p>Due to the fixtures next week the following clubs will not take place.</p>	Day	Fixtures	Monday	Year 8 – Rugby vs Ibstock (H) Year 7 – Football vs St Joseph's (A)	Tuesday	Year 7 - 2 Rugby vs Ibstock (H)	Wednesday	Year 11 - Rugby Vs Ibstock (H)	Thursday	Year 10 - Rugby Vs Ibstock (A) Year 9 - Football Vs Hampton (H)	Friday	Year 9 - Rugby Vs Ibstock (A)
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<p>KS3 HOMEWORK CLUB</p> <p>Resumes on Monday 10 January: Monday to Thursday in ICT3 – 2.50pm to 3.50pm.</p> <p>Students to speak to Mr Connor or Ms Bowden if they wish to attend – parent/carer permission is required.</p>							
<p>YEAR 7 CLASSES</p> <p>Please be aware that classes for DT, IT and PE have been adapted to enhance teaching and learning and students have been placed in smaller groups, this will take effect from Monday. Students who have a change in PE on Monday will be emailed separately.</p> <p>Year 7 English – students will have a transition session with their current teacher who will outline the class they will attend from Tuesday. New timetables will be available on Schoolcomms on Tuesday when the sets go live.</p>							
<p>YEAR 11 IMEDIA EXAM</p> <p>Year 11 iMedia exam will take place on Monday 10th January at 1.30pm.</p> <p>The school will arrange for the students to have an early lunch so they are prepared to start their exam at 1.30pm.</p> <p>They should be preparing, as expected, by revising at home.</p>							
<p>ADDITIONAL INSET DAY</p> <p>The Governing Body has approved an additional INSET day on Friday 11 February so that all teaching staff can attend enhanced training on quality first teaching of SEND students.</p>							
<p>COVID19</p> <p>Thank you for sending your child in with a face covering, please can you continue to make sure they have a face covering and a spare one their bag.</p> <p>Reminder, if your child has a positive LFT they should not attend school, please follow the Government Isolation Guidance. Please continue to inform the school via the absence line (see absence reporting below)</p>							
REMINDERS							
School Uniform	Absence Reporting	Future events					
<p>Uniform can be purchased on School Gateway at any time. Students are able to collect on Wednesday lunchtimes only.</p> <p>Rutlish School - Uniform</p>	<p>Rutlish.absence@rutlish.merton.sch.uk 020 8254 3314</p> <p>RR6.absence@rutlish.merton.sch.uk 020 8254 3339</p>	<p>For all future events please click on the link below which will take you to our School Website Calendar</p> <p>Rutlish School - Calendar</p>					