

## PARENT WEEKLY BULLETIN

*Weekly news from the Haggerston School Community*

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We would like to say a huge well done to our Year 12 Health and Social Care class who collected donations for elderly people and their carers to wish them a merry Christmas and to thank the carers for their hard work throughout the pandemic. Thank you @coopuk for their donations!



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### Safeguarding

If you have a safeguarding concern please call the school Reception in the first instance and ask for the Designated Safeguarding Lead, Jack Truan or a member of the safeguarding team. If it is out of school hours please contact the safeguarding email address

[haggerstonsafeguarding@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk](mailto:haggerstonsafeguarding@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk)

Regular communication with parents/carers is important to us at Haggerston School. It is vital that the school office holds updated and current contact information in order that you can receive important messages from school or in case of a medical and/or emergency situation.

Please contact the school office to verify your contact details  
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PLEASE CONTACT YOUR CHILD'S HEAD OF YEAR IF YOU HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THEIR SCHOOL WORK OR WELLBEING.

## Upcoming Events: week beginning 3rd January 2022 (week 1)

Assembly Theme: We are Articulate, Strong and Confident

Monday

**BANK HOLIDAY**  
School closed

Tuesday

INSET Day

Testing arrangements:  
Year 7 : 10 - 11am  
Year 11 : 11.30 - 12.30pm  
6th Form : 2 - 3pm

Wednesday

Testing arrangements:  
Year 8: 8.40 - 9.40am  
Year 9: 11am - 12pm  
Year 10: 2 - 3pm

Year groups returning  
to School 8.40am:  
Year 7, Year 11 and 6th  
Form

Thursday

Year groups returning  
to school 8.40am:  
Year 8  
Year 9  
Year 10

Friday

# MESSAGE FROM HEADTEACHER

*Ms Emmerson*

Dear Parents/Carers

Happy New Year! We look forward to welcoming students back to school this week.

I am sure you will have seen the news reports about very high levels of Covid infection in the community and that the government has consequently mandated mask wearing in classrooms and communal areas for three weeks while the impact of school return on infection levels is assessed. Mask wearing will be reviewed on 26 January and schools will receive updated guidance then. Please ensure your child returns to school this week with a re-usable mask. If you have previously written to us to let us know your child is exempt, this will still apply. If your child's circumstances have changed or they are in Year 7, please let us know if they are exempt from mask wearing by writing to your child's Head of Year. They will then be issued with an exemption card. I understand this is a change some parents will be concerned about. However, the government priority is to keep schools open this term and this means taking all measures to reduce transmission in school. We are assured that the decision on face coverings will be a short lived one.

In addition, we are following the advice of the Hackney public health team to run assemblies online for this period to reduce the frequency of groups of students gathering together. We will continue to balance the risk of covid transmission against the need to ensure continuity of normal educational experiences for students so will reinstate face to face assemblies as soon as possible. We will run celebration assemblies (some of which were cancelled at the end of term) in a different and adapted way but students will still get recognition and certificates for their achievements.

Testing continues to play a vital role in controlling the spread of Covid in schools. Testing all students will help reduce transmission after a period of social mixing over the school holidays and hopefully enable a disruption free start to the new year. All students should be ready to attend school for testing this week ahead of their return to the classroom. After this initial test, pupils should continue to home-test twice weekly, in line with government guidelines.

## **Consent to testing**

Many of you have already indicated your consent, or otherwise, to on-site testing. If you have not done this or wish to change your consent, please complete this [Consent Form](#) by the end of the day today.

## **Recent Covid**

The government guidance has now changed and students are encouraged to participate in the testing process even if they have had a recent covid infection within the past 90 days. Please use the [Consent Form](#) to indicate if this applies to your child.

## **Testing schedule**

Please see the table below for the testing schedule and ensure your child is ready to attend during their slot and to return on their assigned date. Students should enter school via reception for their testing slot and do not need to wear uniform.

<b>Year Group</b>	<b>Testing date and Time</b>	<b>Date of return to school</b>
Year 7	Tuesday 4 January, 10 - 11am	Wednesday 5 January, 8.40am
Year 8	Wednesday 5 January, 8.40 - 9.40 am	Thursday 6 January, 8.40am
Year 9	Wednesday 5 January, 11am - 12pm	Thursday 6 January, 8.40am
Year 10	Wednesday 5 January, 2 - 3pm	Thursday 6 January, 8.40am
Year 11	Tuesday 4 January, 11.30 - 12.30pm	Wednesday 5 January, 8.40am
Year 12 & 13	Tuesday 4 January, 2 - 3pm	Wednesday 5 January, 8.40am

## **Self Isolation**

Guidance has changed on self isolation requirements. If your child has tested positive for Covid 19, they must isolate for ten days. However, their isolation period can be reduced to 7 days if they have two consecutive negative tests, 24 hours apart, on days 6 and 7 of the isolation period and they no longer have a high temperature. Please inform us if this is the case so that we are aware of the reason why your child is returning to school before the end of the normal isolation period. We will not routinely set work for students who test positive with Covid 19 as many need this time to recover fully from the infection. However, if your child is asymptomatic or well enough to do some work at home, you may request work from your child's head of year.

Many thanks for your co-operation with the measures outlined above. I hope they will go some way to ensure as smooth a return to school as possible for students.

Ms Emmerson, Headteacher

### Term Dates 2021/22

#### Autumn Term 2021

Start: Wednesday 01 September  
End: Friday 17 December (Early Closure)  
Half Term: Monday 25 - Friday 29 October  
Inset Days: Wednesday 01 September  
Thursday 02 September  
Monday 06 December

#### Start of Term Arrangements

Wednesday 01 Sept (Closed to Students) - Inset Day  
Thursday 02 Sept (Closed to Students) - Inset Day  
Friday 03 Sept : Year 7 Induction Day  
Monday 06 Sept : Years 7, 11 and 12 Only  
Tuesday 07 Sept : All Students Return  
(8.30am arrival ready for line-up)

#### Spring Term 2022

Start: Wednesday 05 January  
End: Friday 01 April  
Half Term: Monday 14 - Friday 18 February  
Bank Holiday: Monday 03 January  
Inset Days: Tuesday 04 January  
Monday 21 March

#### Start of Term Arrangements

Monday 03 Jan (Closed to Students) - BANK HOLIDAY  
Tuesday 04 Jan (Closed to Students) - Inset Day  
Wednesday 05 Jan: All Students Return 8.40am

#### Testing Upon Return Arrangements:

Tuesday 04 Jan: Year 7, Year 11 and 6th Form  
Wednesday 05 Jan: Year 8, Year 9 and Year 10

#### Summer Term 2022

Start: Tuesday 19 April  
End: **Wednesday 20 July (Early Closure)**  
*Please note the change to the last day of the academic year*  
Half Term: Monday 30 May - Friday 03 June

### Parent Evening Dates

Year 7: 22 March 2022  
Year 9 + Options Evening: 22 February 2022  
Year 11: 11 January 2022

Year 8: 26 April 2022  
Year 10: 03 May 2022  
Year 12 & 13: 25 January 2022

### Other Key Dates

26 December Boxing Day	01 January New Years Day	15 April Good Friday	17 April Easter Sunday
18 April Easter Monday	02 May Bank Holiday	02 June : Spring Bank Holiday 03 June : Jubilee Bank Holiday	29 August Bank Holiday