



Higham Lane School

Helping Learners Succeed

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WEEKLY EMAIL BULLETIN FOR WEEK ENDING:

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WHOLE SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER FROM WARWICKSHIRE'S FAMILY INFORMATION SERVICE

Please follow the link for this week's newsletter from the Family Information Service, with lots of information and resources to help support families: <https://mailchi.mp/warwickshire/family-information-service-newsletter-1196631?e=a023ea4e42>

WATER BOTTLE/DRINK

Please ensure that your son/daughter brings a water bottle/drink to School, particularly in the warmer weather.

DOES YOUR SON/DAUGHTER READ FOR 20 MINUTES A DAY?!

A SUMMER OF READING!

The forecast is looking more settled so hopefully some clement weather is on its way - at long last! And so this gives us a timely opportunity to launch our annual summer of reading competition, open to all students!

Our summer of reading simply encourages all students to read regularly. The benefits of reading are limitless, from helping us to relax and de-stress to improving our vocabulary and understanding of the world. Many of our students will relish the opportunity to read more, but for some students we know that this can be a challenge, particularly with all the distractions that modern life brings. However, it doesn't matter what your son/daughter's starting point is with reading - simply aiming to build reading into their daily lives will bring benefits. It doesn't have to be fiction either - perhaps history or science texts, biographies or travel writing interest your child more, and these type of texts can be powerful in giving knowledge and understanding of the world. And we all appreciate that reading the news and following topical and current affairs each day brings immense benefits.

If your son/daughter is looking for more reading inspiration, please encourage him/her to log on to our Library's Google Classroom page called Bookchat with the code: od7syf5. Here s/he will find many reading lists to give further ideas for reading. Your son/daughter has also been issued with a reading log to record their reading, this document is also attached here.

We will be celebrating all reading efforts in July, recognising students' enthusiasm and commitment to reading. Ultimately the annual summer of reading is aimed at encouraging all students, whatever their starting point, to read more and to read for pleasure and enjoyment, for all the benefits that reading brings, both to academic success, and beyond school in their personal lives.

Therefore, we really hope that your son/daughter takes part in the summer of reading and can find some time to build in twenty minutes of reading each day to enjoy the benefits of reading.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Robinson.
Assistant Headteacher.

For a copy of a summer of reading log please go to the school website at <https://www.highamlaneschool.co.uk/schoolcommunication> (Weekly Bulletins, Weekly Email Bulletin for week ending: 28 May 2021).

UNIFORM - GIRLS' SKIRTS

Please may we remind you of our expectations for school uniform which can be found in our School Organiser. We understand that uniform shops have been closed at various points this year but now that they have reopened, and as many students have naturally grown during this time, please can you ensure that skirts are worn appropriately for school. If you are experiencing financial difficulties in replacing a skirt/other uniform item, please contact the school where we hold some second-hand supplies. Please note that a sanction will apply for wearing skirts inappropriately, such as rolling them at the waist.

YEAR 10

Y10S - CHANGES TO BUBBLE AREAS FROM MONDAY 7TH JUNE

The Y10s will move into the science area to allow them to complete practicals in preparation for their GCSE. New timetables will be issued to students. Students will now **arrive and leave via Higham Lane Gate** this is to prevent the bubbles mixing. The students will **assemble on the tennis courts**/in the gym if wet at break and lunch. **Food will be collected from the kiosk and eaten in the dining room extension at break and lunch.** Students need to line up along the science building to collect food from the kiosk.

Specialist teaching will still take place however students will need collecting from and returning to the tennis courts (gym if wet). Students will use the toilets in science.

YEAR 9

Y9S - CHANGES TO BUBBLE AREAS FROM MONDAY 7TH JUNE

Since Y10 are moving into the current Y11 dining area then from **Monday 7th June Y9 students will be able to purchase food at break time from their dining area.**

EQUIPMENT FOR FORTHCOMING YEAR 9 EXAMINATIONS

With the Year 9 exams starting on the first Monday back after half term, please I could I ask for your support in checking over half term that your son/daughter has the following equipment for these exams:-

- a supply of black biro's (at least two)
- a pencil
- a pencil eraser
- a pencil sharpener
- a ruler
- a scientific calculator (where allowed)
- a pair of compasses
- a protractor
- a highlighter
- and a clear pencil case or clear plastic bag to carry all of their equipment in.

Thank you,

Mr Banks
Deputy Headteacher

Dates for Your Diary 2020-21

Please note that these dates are subject to any future government announcements

18 th – 28 th May	Year 10 Exams
24 th – 28 th May	Year 11 D&T Practical Exams
24 th – 28 th May	Year 11 Practical Exams
Thursday 27th May	Year 12 Student Progress Evening
31st May – 4th June	May Half-term
7 th June – 16 th June	Year 9 Exams
21 st – 22 nd June	Post 18 Conference
Thursday 24 th June	Sixth Form Induction (TBC)
Thursday 24th June	Year 7 Student Progress Evening
Thursday 1st July	Year 10 Student Progress Evening
5 th – 9 th July	Year 7, 8, 9 & 10 Assessment Week
Thursday 8th July	Year 13 Prom
Thursday 8th July	New Year 7 Parents Evening
Friday 9 th July	Year 11 Prom
Thursday 15th July	Year 9 Student Progress Evening
Thursday 22nd July	Summer Holidays begin