



Striving for Excellence

Cirencester Kingshill School

Head: Christine S. Oates

2nd July 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

Here we are, rapidly heading toward the end of what has been a very “different” school year for us all. It has certainly been challenging at times and has put demands on our whole community that we have never faced before, but as usual, we have all faced them head on and with the positive attitude and approach that makes Cirencester Kingshill School such a fantastic school to be the Headteacher of.

I am, as always, very proud of both pupils and staff for their hard work and efforts and I am very much looking forward to sharing some fun events with them all over the next two weeks.

Activity Day & Charity Fair

On Monday 12th and Tuesday 13th July 2021, pupils will be taking it in turns in their year group bubbles to have two lessons off of timetable to enjoy a celebration of their hard work over the course of this year. They will be able to take part in their year group charity fair as well as enjoy some time on an inflatable assault course that we are bringing on to site. Pupils will also be able to bring a small snack picnic with them should they wish to, so that they can enjoy some down time and fun with their friends.

More details on this will follow next week from Mr Morland.

Remote teaching

As you will be aware from our recent letter home, we have had a case of COVID-19 in school recently that had an impact on some of our staff through track and trace. No pupils were affected or were required to self-isolate, however a number of teachers were required to self-isolate at home, albeit thankfully they have all remained safe and well.

In order to limit the disruption to pupil learning in school as a result of this, we have taken this opportunity to investigate remote teaching, and have had a number of those teachers who were having to remain at home, remote in to lessons via MS Teams, and teach their lessons from home. Supported by a member of staff in the classroom to supervise the pupils, this has meant that continuation of teaching and learning has been possible by class teachers, and pupils have experienced very little disruption as a result of their teacher not being in school.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank both the pupils and teachers involved for their resilience and willingness to work in this slightly different way. Whilst this is not something that I hope we will have to rely on very often, I am pleased that we have this as an option and that pupils embraced it as a way to be taught in those lessons affected.

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Year 10 Mock Examinations

Y10 have been sitting a series of mock examinations over the last two weeks, the first examinations that they have experienced in a formal examination setting. I am very proud of how well they all handled themselves and of the mature approach that they took. They should be proud of themselves and my thanks go to them all for their continued hard work.

Year 8 Head of Year

As Y8 parents and carers will already be aware, we have decided to make a change to the Head of Year for Y8. Miss Colledge will be moving to be Head of Year for our new Y7 and our current Y8 will be taken over by Mr Edwards who is currently Head of Y11. This is a positive change for all involved and Miss Colledge and Mr Edwards have already started a phased handover, and Mr Edwards is very much looking forward to getting to know his new Year Group.

I would like to thank Miss Colledge for her hard work with Y8, and I know that she too is looking forward to welcoming our new Y7 pupils in September.

Thank you for your continued support, it is very much appreciated. As always, if you have any questions related to the above or need to discuss anything related to your child's schooling, please feel free to contact their Tutor, Head of Year, Head of Key Stage or myself.

Yours sincerely,

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