



The Hub School NEWSLETTER

October Issue

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Welcome Back!

We would like to welcome back all of our students and staff to the autumn term. As always, we are very proud of all who attend our school and those who have shown great ease with the September return. The school have been extremely busy and the team and students have adapted well with the on-going pandemic phases.

Thank you to all who continue to support the school with the COVID-19 arrangements, please take a look through our Newsletter with information and events throughout our autumn term.

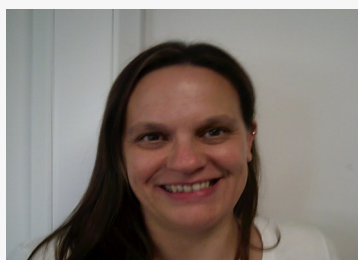
Warm Welcome

Please welcome our new Science Teacher, Mrs E Pratt, who will be responsible for planning and delivering science lessons to all year groups. Mrs Pratt will also be working with and supporting Year 9B, as their tutor.

Please also welcome Mr N Popple, who has joined us as a Learning Support Officer. Mr Popple will be working with and supporting our long stay students in tutor group 11A, as they take on their final year at The Hub School.

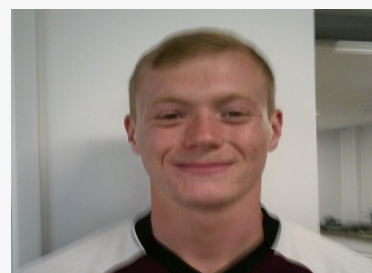
Mrs E Pratt

Science Teacher



Mr N Popple

Learning Support Officer



THANK YOU AND WELCOME!



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The Children's Commissioner — The Big Ask...and The Big Answer

Earlier this year, The Children's Commissioner asked all children in England to complete a survey, to show the true voice of this generation. The results are in and The Children's Commissioner would like to say thank you.

Over half a million children responded, the largest survey of its kind in history, and at a landmark moment for young people growing up in this country.

At a critical time, as we emerge from the pandemic, children have told us how the past year has affected them and what needs to happen now to put them at the heart of the recovery. Despite the sacrifices they have made, the majority of children say they are happy.



Children were united — they told us they want to get back to school, to get on, and do well. To have fulfilling lives. Children cared deeply about their family, their communities, their wellbeing and are an ambitious, excited generation.

They want to make a contribution to a better world, a greener world, rooted in fairness of opportunity for everyone. The Children's Commissioner is now making sure children are being heard.

Thank you to all who took part.



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FSM During Half-Term

We will once again be supporting families who are eligible for free school meals with the £15 per week voucher scheme. Parents/Carers of students who are eligible for free school meals will receive a £15 voucher to cover the week of October half term.

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MEALS**

Information & Support



The vouchers only apply to students who are resident in the East Riding and have an East Riding post code.

If you live in an area that is not East Riding, we would encourage you to contact your home local authority to access their scheme for support during the October half-term break.

Your child might be eligible for FSM if you access:

- ⇒ Income Support
- ⇒ Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance or Employment and Support Allowance
- ⇒ Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- ⇒ The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- ⇒ Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- ⇒ Working Tax Credit run-on
- ⇒ Universal Credit, provided you have an annual net earned income not exceeding £7,400 (£616.67 per month)



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Positive Tests for COVID-19

If students have symptoms of COVID-19, or have had a positive lateral flow device (LFD) test, they should **self-isolate and get a confirmatory polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test.**



- ⇒ If a student receives a negative result on a PCR test and they feel well, they can stop self-isolating and return to school.
- ⇒ If a student tests positive on a PCR test, they should continue to self-isolate in line with public health guidance.

Students who are a close contact of someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 **do not need to self-isolate.**

- ⇒ These students should get a PCR test and should only self-isolate if they test positive.

Clinically extremely vulnerable people are **no longer advised to shield.**

- ⇒ All clinically extremely vulnerable students should attend their education setting unless they are under paediatric or other specialist care, and have been advised by their clinician or other specialist not to attend.

In the event of self-isolation, access to remote education will be offered and engagement will be monitored.

Families should consider that their child may need to self-isolate following trips overseas that require a period of quarantine.

- ⇒ Parents should plan holidays within school breaks. Please remember that students are only required to isolate if:
- ⇒ They have **symptoms of COVID-19**
- ⇒ They have received a **positive LFD test result**
- ⇒ They have received a **positive PCR test result**

Information on contact tracing in education and childcare settings — Education and childcare settings no longer carry out routine contact tracing. NHS Test and Trace undertake the identification and notification of the close contacts of a positive COVID-19 case.



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Coronavirus (COVID-19) Vaccine for children aged 12 to 15

The Hub School is committed to the safety and health of our students. We want to inform you that the COVID-19 vaccination programme for children aged 12-15 years has now started.



Vaccines are the best defence against COVID-19, they help protect young people, and benefit those around them. CHCP and Intra Health are working together in the 12-15 COVID-19 vaccination programme.

COVID-19 vaccination consent forms have now been issued to parents/carers, which will allow you to provide consent for your child to receive their vaccination. We have provided the direct link [here](#) with further information about the vaccine.



Once consents have been received, for those students attending provisions off-site, the NHS immunisation teams will be able to contact individual students or contact them via the school to organise an appointment for their vaccination once clinics are arranged.



For those students who attend The Hub School the following dates are set for the vaccinations to take place

- ⇒ 21st October 2021
- ⇒ 9th November 2021

We have provided further information and guidance on our website by visiting www.thehubschool.org.uk/parentcarer/coronavirus-information



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Bishop Burton College

Since returning to school after the Summer Holidays, students in Year 10A have been attending Bishop Burton College on a Monday. We would like to say a big thank you to [Bishop Burton College](#) for facilitating this opportunity for some of our students.



So far, the students have taken part in a variety of activities that they have thoroughly enjoyed. Some of which include:

- ⇒ Walking dogs
- ⇒ Grooming rabbits
- ⇒ Cleaning out animal cages
- ⇒ Feeding mice to the ferrets
- ⇒ Going into the monkey cage
- ⇒ Building brick walls

"It's actually alright. I love playing football at the end of the day as a reward" - **Kylan**

"I like the atmosphere here because there are nice people and nice teachers" - **Kie**

"The food is really tasty and I really like the big horses" - **Amelia**

"I really love it here because it's good. My favourite animals are the rats" - **Tyler**





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Pet Respect

Throughout September and October, staff and dogs from [Pet Respect](#) have been attending The Hub School once a week, to deliver Animal Assisted Therapy sessions. We would like to say a huge thank you to Kim and Sally, from Pet Respect, for bringing [Buddy](#) and [Sookie](#) in to see the students.



Thank you to Mrs Smithson for organising this exciting opportunity. The students have engaged in the sessions well and thoroughly enjoyed having the dogs in school.

"I think the dogs coming in and working with the students over this term has been a massive success. Our students have been able to build up relationships with the dogs and have even had them doing tricks!" - **Mrs Smithson**

Congratulations to Megan who was the first student to receive a Certificate of Participation. Megan has come on leaps and bounds during these sessions and is now eager to help out whenever the dogs are around.





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Student Of The Week

Since returning after the Summer holidays, many students have been committed to their work. The following students have received gift vouchers from Mr Grimes, after being selected as the Students of The Week.



'Gold Tier' Status

Charlie is the first student to achieve 'Gold Tier' status at The Hub School.

Here he is receiving his badge from Mr Matthews.

"I'm pleased to be the first student to receive "the gold badge". I would like to thank the staff here at The Hub School for helping me to get to the point where I am able to wear the golden badge with pride. Hopefully more gold badges will be handed out soon. Keep up the good work everyone!" - **Charlie**





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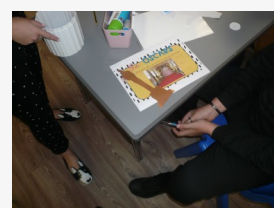
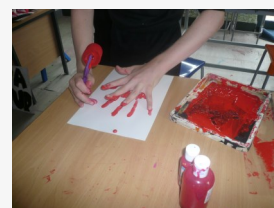
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Alternative Curriculum Day

Students took part in their first Alternative Curriculum Day of the academic year. This day gave the students a chance to experience opportunities that differ from the usual curriculum, and also gave them the opportunity to work alongside students who they would not usually get the chance to work with.

Students spent time preparing to perform a scene in a play. The theme of the play was 'Murder Mystery' and the aim was to solve a crime. Students took part in many different activities throughout the day, including making props and cooking.

Well done to all students who took part and thank you to all staff involved for creating an exciting and successful Alternative Curriculum Day!





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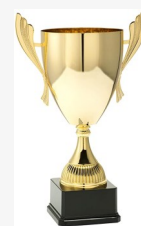
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A Message from the Attendance Manager

Expectations of all Parents and Carers:

- ⇒ Ensure that your child attends school regularly (and on time).
- ⇒ Ensure that your child is up and ready for their transport.
- ⇒ If your child is unable to attend school, you must contact the school office as soon as possible to explain why they are not able to attend and the approximate length of absence. If this is a continued absence, you must continue to contact the school every morning to inform us of this.
- ⇒ Make sure that the school has an up-to-date contact number.
- ⇒ Try and arrange medical appointments outside of the school day. If this is not possible, you must inform the school in advance. Written evidence (appointment card/letter) from the practice is required for us to authorise this absence. Where possible, your child should attend school before and/or after their appointment.
- ⇒ Ensure that holidays are taken out of term time. Please remember that holidays cannot be authorised by the school and can result in a penalty notice (fine) from the Local Authority.
- ⇒ An absence request form must be filled in 4 weeks prior to the first day of requested absence. This will only be authorised if the school deems it to be absolutely necessary or an exceptional circumstance.



Attendance Incentives for Students:

- ⇒ Daily points count towards aware Fridays. Students can only get the points if they attend or have a valid reason for their absence (confirmed by parents/carers).
- ⇒ At least 1 chocolate bar will be given each week to a lucky winner who has attended for the full 5 days.
- ⇒ At the end of each half term, £5 vouchers will be given to every student with over 95% attendance and £10 vouchers for every student with 100% attendance.





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COVID-19 LFD Testing

Thank you to all of our staff/families and students for continuing to complete LFD testing at home. We would encourage you to complete twice weekly over the half term break and more frequently if you are asked to do so. LFD testing helps children stay in face-to-face learning and helps find individuals who have the virus but are not showing symptoms.

Have a Lovely Half-term

We wish you all a very happy half-term break. Everyone seems to have adapted very well during the autumn term and we look forward to you returning on Tuesday 2nd November 2021.



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Upcoming Term Dates

22nd October 2021 — Last day of term

25th — 31st October — October half term

1st November 2021 — Staff Training Day (school closed to students)

2nd November 2021 — School re-opens to students