

Northolt High School newsletter



Friday 9th July 2021

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Committed to excellence

Looking forward to next year

I'm sure that you'll all be aware that there will be major changes to national coronavirus restrictions which begin on Monday 19th July. There are a number of implications of this for schools, which I'll try to summarise below.

- Next year, we will not need to keep students in year group bubbles.
- NHS Test and Trace will take over the responsibility for contact tracing of students who have contracted coronavirus.
- If a student is identified as a close contact, they will not need to self-isolate. Instead they will be asked to take a PCR test.
- We will develop an 'outbreak management plan' so that we are able to quickly respond to rising levels of the virus. Whilst face covering restrictions have been relaxed from 19th July, they may be recommended once again as part of such a plan in the future.
- We will set up our school testing centre in September and all students will need to have two tests as part of their return to school.
- Home testing will continue until the end of September.



We're really looking forward to reintroducing a more 'normal' school experience for students next year. However I'm aware that for some this will create anxiety. I will prepare a more detailed document to send to you all over the summer which explains everything in more detail. I'm confident that the plans we've made will continue to protect our school community and that we will be easily able to respond quickly to any outbreaks. As ever, please share any concerns you have with us so that we can listen and respond.



I hope that the England football fans amongst you have all sufficiently recovered from the tension of Wednesday's semi-final so that you're ready to go through it all again on Sunday - and that we all have a good weekend!



Ms Marion Budd Headteacher

Seizing opportunity

Instilling ambition

Realising potential

Family Partnership Award success!

Two weeks ago we shared with you the results of the [parent survey](#) which was completed as part of our submission for Ealing's Family School Partnership Award. I am very pleased to be able to report that our submission has been successful! Northolt High is the first Ealing High School to receive the award.

"The parent and staff survey feedback reflects the school's sustained and long term approach to improving parental engagement. The significant improvement in the 'Developing' responses shows the progress the school has made so far in the journey. The overall increase in the number of parental responses the school has received also illustrates just how effective their approach has been."

Feedback from the adjudicators

In September we will begin work on developing and adopting a Family School Engagement Policy which will aim to ensure we consistently build positive relationships with parents in the best interests of our students.

Mr Matt Haresnape – Senior Deputy Headteacher

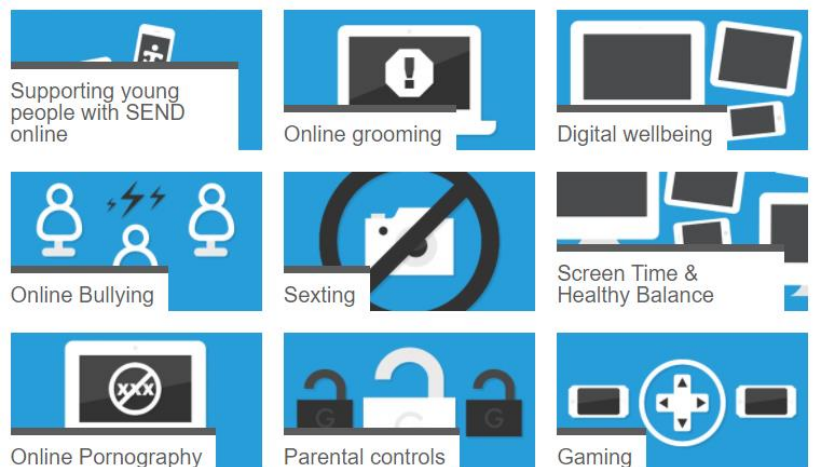


Keeping your children safe online



[Childnet's](#) mission is to help make the internet safe for children, and to equip them, and their parents, with the tools to support this. When used properly the internet is a wonderfully positive tool for children and young people. Childnet takes a balanced approach, making sure that they promote the positive opportunities, as well as responding to the risks and equipping children and young people to deal with them.

Please look through the advice for parents and carers [here](#), about how to support safety in a variety of online settings.



Year 8s - helping make a Greener Ealing

This week Year 8 students have been creating amazing Art work pieces for the Greener Ealing Truck Art Competition.

These pieces are designed to remind residents in the community of their environmental responsibilities.

Here are some amazing art work pieces created by Minahil, Maahi and Jasmeet in Year 8 for the competition. We know these entries will be hard to beat!



Reminder: Holiday Activities and Food Programme – Summer 2021



Another reminder for families that Ealing are providing an activity programme over the summer holidays for ALL EALING STUDENTS. The holiday programmes are open to children of any age and are also free for children eligible for free school meals.

Watch [this video](#) and read [this letter](#) for more information with Marcus Rashford spreading the word



We will continue to share information, as we receive it from Ealing, about this programme so families can sign children up to various activities over the summer break.

Football Opportunities for Girls

We are excited to share these opportunity for 'Girls only Football camps' across Ealing Borough provided by Brentford Football Club.

Girls only Football Camp

The football camp is open to girls from the ages of 6 to 16 years old, but you must register online beforehand. The camp will run 10am-2pm. The day will be filled with fun activities and football sessions, finishing off with some matches. Please bring a packed lunch on the day. No prior football experience required but please do ensure your daughter has shin pads on the day. (If you do not have any shin pad please email alloyd@brentfordfcst.com and we will be able to arrange this)



Community
Sports Trust

Gunnersbury Park, Popes Lane, W3 8LQ, Thursday 19th August 2021, 10am -2pm, **FREE!** [Register here](#):

Girls Football Development Centre Trials

Participants have the opportunity to attend our weekly training sessions at venues in Gunnersbury and Feltham delivered by FA and UEFA qualified coaching staff. Our football programme includes a structured development match programme against other professional club's Community Sports Trust's such as Coventry City, Fulham, Ipswich Town, MK Dons, QPR, Oxford United, Reading, Wycombe Wanderers and more. Plus, we have an established pathway for players that show a higher level of potential within our football development pathway.

Gunnersbury Park, Popes Lane, W3 8LQ, Friday 20th August, 5pm – 7pm, £12 [Register here](#)

Post 16 Education Trials

Brentford FC Community Sports Trust's football post 16 programme offers young females with potential, an opportunity to receive a high-quality football education experience, enabling them to improve in a player-centred environment and to achieve qualifications through education.

Gunnersbury Park, Popes Lane, W3 8LQ, Wednesday 28th July, 10am -12pm, **FREE**, [Register here](#)

PRIDE

COURAGE

RESPECT

Basketball Stars

Last Friday Year 8s took part in the Interform Basketball Competition. The competition was a terrific success and students and staff thoroughly enjoyed themselves.



We were very proud to see all students demonstrate great teamwork, dedication and sportsmanship. Congratulations to 8FYU who were the winning team. Congratulations to Consuela and Danil who were the sportsman and sportswomen of the tournament



Cycling Stars

Congratulations to our year 7 SMART award winners; Ashwin, Artur, Jack, Yaksh, Zara, Salma, Samra, Varsika and Manahil.

Special congratulations to Manahil who couldn't ride a bike before the sessions, but ended them like a pro!



Covid-19 Symptoms

You must keep your child at home if your child or anyone else in your household develops coronavirus symptoms. The main symptoms of coronavirus are: • **high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature) • **new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual) • **loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

If you are keeping your child at home you must contact Ms McMurdie, our attendance officer, on **02088648544 extension 705**. She will then be able to advise you further.