

May 7<sup>th</sup> 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

## **VE Day**

I hope students across the school today are learning about the significance of VE Day and making the most of opportunities to be creative. Please do encourage your sons and daughters to send in photographs or copies of their work and to watch and enjoy some of the celebrations tomorrow. The school will not be open at all tomorrow as all students we have been having in have alternative arrangements. We will be open from Monday again for those students who are classed as vulnerable or whose parents are key workers and for whom there is absolutely no alternative child care.

## **School Closure**

We may hear from the Prime Minister on Sunday something about the next steps of lockdown. There is currently a lot of speculation in the media about what may happen, including what might happen with schools. I think it important to stress that this is all purely media speculation and schools have not yet been given any indication of what might happen. When we are given some indication we will begin to plan accordingly and keep you informed.

## **Show My Homework**

We have been told that Show My Homework will be changing its name shortly to Satchel One.

## **National Online Safety**

Last week I provided some information about the National Online Safety course for parents and carers. Unfortunately there was a mistake in the link I sent. Apologies for that and here is the link

<http://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/carr-hill-high-school> You will need to complete your details and select "I am a: Parent/Carer" from the dropdown. Once you have registered, you will be able to access the "Online Safety for Parents and Carers" course and National Online Safety's Resources (which includes 50+ online platform guides on the latest social media channels and games). This aims to help empower parents with the knowledge to protect their children from the dangers of the internet.

## **Pastoral Lead**

Mr A Penney, the pastoral lead for Year 7 will hand over responsibility for this year group at half term and will then focus on the Year 6s who will join us in September. The pastoral lead for the current Year 7 will then be Mr N Long until Miss Coulthard returns from maternity leave next year.

## Exercise

Please follow the link for a number of resources to exercise programmes which can be followed at home. We are hoping that all our students are engaging in some exercise every day

<https://lancashireschoolgames.co.uk/resources-for-teenagers-secondary-schools/>

## Free School Meals

On the Edenred website we are now able to see who has managed to redeem the codes for a voucher and it is clear that the vast majority of orders have been redeemed. For those families who receive the codes direct to emails there should be a code next week to cover the two weeks beginning May 11<sup>th</sup> and May 18<sup>th</sup>. We have not yet been informed whether the Government will be providing vouchers for the half term week at the end of May.

Please continue to stay safe and hopefully enjoy the bank holiday weekend

With best wishes

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