



# Hodge Hill Girls' School Weekly Parent Bulletin

16<sup>th</sup> July 2021

## Important Dates 2021

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July</li><li>Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> or 21<sup>st</sup> July</li><li><b>Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July</b></li><li><b>Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July</b></li><li>Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Non-Uniform Day</li><li>Eid al-Adha starts – <b>Tbc</b></li><li><b>Early finish for pupils – 12.15pm</b></li><li><b>Staff Inset Day – closed to all pupils</b></li><li>Eid al-Adha ends - <b>Tbc</b></li></ul> |
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It is important that you are checking your School Gateway/emails and the school website for updates from the school.

### Important Information



**HAPPY, SAFE SUMMER – REMINDER FROM WEST MIDLANDS POLICE**  
Please click on the following [letter](#)

If your daughter tests positive for COVID-19, outside of school hours, you must inform the school with your daughter's full name, date of birth and current contact details by using the following email address:

- [covid-alert@hodgehgs.bham.sch.uk](mailto:covid-alert@hodgehgs.bham.sch.uk)

#### **Lateral Flow Testing (LFT)**

Many people with coronavirus (COVID-19) have mild, or even no symptoms but can still spread the virus. With regular self-testing we can slow the spread and help protect the most vulnerable in our families and communities.

Week commencing [18<sup>th</sup> July](#)

[Testing @ home easy reading guide](#)

#### **Free School Meals (FSM)**

Free School Meals' vouchers for the summer holidays have been emailed to parents/carers of eligible pupils via School Gateway. Please contact us by 9am on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July if you have not received your voucher. The voucher covers the whole summer holiday period.

- Tel: 0121 4643094 or [enquiry@hodgehgs.bham.sch.uk](mailto:enquiry@hodgehgs.bham.sch.uk).





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## GCSE Pod

2525 pods have been watched in the last week, with History, English Literature and Biology the most accessed subjects. In addition to these three subjects, English Language, French, Geography, Maths and RS all saw over 100 pods accessed.

GCSEPod are providing some additional learning opportunities for both pupils and parents over the summer. Further details for pupils click the [flyer](#), and for parents click [flyer](#).

Individual year group figures are as follows:

<b>Year 7</b>	982 pods; English Literature, RS and Biology
<b>Year 8</b>	892 pods; History, English Literature, English Language
<b>Year 9</b>	34 pods; Physics, English Literature, Business/Maths
<b>Year 10</b>	617 pods; French, Maths, Biology

## Non-Uniform Day: Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July 16, 2021

Monday 19th July will be a non-uniform day with a donation of £1 and all proceeds will be going to our nominated charity Unicef. As this is a school day, pupils should dress appropriately.

## Value of the Month: Achievement

### Job of the week in the health sector: [Paediatrician](#)



Speakers for Schools have collaborated with a number of organisations to create Youth Card, a free app for 11–25-year-olds providing a range of work experience opportunities, motivational podcasts and shopping discounts. Further details can be found by visiting <https://youthcard.org/>

- Looking for activities to keep you and your family entertained, fit and healthy through the summer holidays?
- If your children cannot get to a holiday club face-to-face this summer, let Bring it on Brum! Summer 2021 help.
- Find out if you could be eligible for free food and summer activity packs to be delivered to your home.
- Click on [Bring it on Brum! Summer activities 2021](#)





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## Safeguarding, Wellbeing and Support

We are aware that this may be a worrying time for adults and children. We have therefore extended the resources on our website around Safeguarding and Wellbeing.

### Useful websites:

- [Action for children](#)
- Barnado's: [Believe in children | Children's charity | Barnardo's](#)
- [Child Bereavement UK](#)
- [Child Line](#)

What's on Kooth in July 2021. Go to the website or click on the following [flyer](#).

- Kooth: <https://www.kooth.com/>
- Mind: <https://www.mind.org.uk/>
- [Muslim Youth Helpline](#)
- NHS Support looking after a child or young person's mental health [NHS link](#)
- NSPCC at [www.nspcc.org.uk](http://www.nspcc.org.uk) or call their national helpline 0808 800 5000.
- Partnership for Children: [www.partnershipforchildren.org.uk](http://www.partnershipforchildren.org.uk)
- Pause: School website - [Pause | Hodge Hill Girls' School \(hodgehgs.bham.sch.uk\)](#)
- Women's Aid: [Home - Women's Aid](#)
- YoungMinds: [Looking after your mental health](#)

## **Keeping your daughter safe online**

It is important to have regular conversations about staying safe online and to encourage children to speak to you if they come across something worrying online. Talk to your child about the importance of creating a safe online environment, including keeping any log-in details and passwords safe. For further support you can log onto gov.uk.

Where can I go to report something?

- Parents
- Teachers
- Friends
- Police
- Online web report button
  
- [Preventing bullying including cyberbullying for parents/carers](#)
- [Keeping your child safe online](#)





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## Do you need support?

Kingfisher foodbank is here to help.

To obtain a food parcel you will need a referral.

This can be obtained through School Support Workers, Nurseries, Job centres, Citizens Advice, Birmingham Settlement, Age UK, Family Support Teams, Solihull Connect, Women's Aid, St Basils and many other agencies.

Foodbanks are open at

Auckland Hall, Smiths Wood Tuesday & Friday 12.30-2.30pm

Welcome Change Community Centre, Shard End Thurs 12.30-2.30pm

For more information click here: [Kingfisher Foodbank | Feeding Local People in Crisis](#)

Tel:07902 030134

or

Email: [kingfisherfoodbank@gmail.com](mailto:kingfisherfoodbank@gmail.com)

