



Hodge Hill Girls' School Weekly Parent Bulletin

1st April 2021

Important Dates

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Friday 2nd – 16th April• Monday 12th April• Monday 19th April• Friday 23rd April
• Monday 17th May• Monday 24th May | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Easter Break – school holidays• Ramadan Starts• School re-opens – normal Covid times• St George's Day and Shakespeare's Birthday• Curriculum and Pastoral Governors meeting and Year 7 Assessment Week• Year 8 Assessment Week |
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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

Information for Parents/Guardians/Carers

Birmingham Holiday Activities Programme - Easter Holiday Provision 2021

Click on the following link for further information. [Holiday Activities Fund](#)

COVID-19 – Easter Holiday Reporting

All positive cases of Covid-19 will still need to be reported to school in the Easter holidays so that we can carry out Track and Trace and communicate the need for any self-isolation to the relevant members of our school community. Please email the address below to report a positive case.

- Covid-alert@hodgehgs.bham.sch.uk

Lateral Flow Test Reminder

Please use the following link to record your home tests

Click on the following link to record your results for w/c 29th March 2021

- [Home testing results](#)

Also remember to record your results on the NHS website.

- <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>





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School Information

Face Masks

For the foreseeable future all students should wear a face mask when moving around the premises, outside of classrooms, such as in corridors and communal areas where social distancing cannot easily be maintained. Could we therefore ask that all parents and carers ensure that your daughter;

- Unless medical exempt, arrives at school with a face mask every day.
- Is well practiced in putting the mask on and taking it off safely.
- Carries and wears a face mask that is suitable for school and will not cause offence to others.
- Understands the importance of adhering to the regulations, put in place by the government, regarding wearing face masks, to minimize spreading the virus and so keeping both themselves and others safe.



Free School Meals



Free School Meals' vouchers for the Easter holidays were emailed to the relevant email address of parents/carers of eligible pupils on Tuesday 30th March via School Gateway. Please ensure that you check your emails for details.

GCSE Pod

Pupils across the whole school have accessed 2041 pods in the last week, with History, English Literature and English Language the most accessed subjects. Over 100 pods have also been viewed in Biology and RS. We currently sit in 5th place in the national league with an average of 14.22 pods being accessed since 1st March.

Individual year group figures are as follows:

Year 7	96%	636 pods; English Literature, Biology and English Language
Year 8	94%	735 pods; History, English Literature, English Language
Year 9	97%	107 pods; English Literature, Chemistry/RS, History
Year 10	99%	230 pods; English Literature, RS, Geography
Year 11	99%	333 pods; History, RS, English Language

Check out the top ten users. Click [here](#) to view.





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Sport4LifeUK - Easter Holiday Sports Camp April 2021

FREE for 11–17-Year-olds click on the [leaflet](#) for further details.

Sporting activities include:

- Football
- Tennis
- Volleyball

Week one – 5th – 9th April

Aston Power League

B6 7TG

12pm - 3pm

Week Two – 9th and 16th April

Hodge Hill College

B36 8HB

12pm - 3pm

Thought for the Week: 'Confidence' click on the following link

- <https://vimeo.com/thought4theweek/confidence>
- [Secondary presentation 'Confidence'](#)

Value of the Month: '[STRENGTH](#)' click to view poster.

Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance (CEIAG)



SPEAKERS
for schools
EXPERIENCE

Inform n.nazish@hodgehgs.bham.sch.uk if you apply for any of the attached work experience places.

Green Skill Week Virtual Work Experience Opportunities:

- [Virtual Work Experience with the national tourism board – VisitBritain/VisitEngland](#)
- Date: 2 – 4 June 2021 (10am – 3pm).
- Eligibility: 16 – 19 year interested in learning what opportunities working in tourism could provide.
- Application Deadline: 2 May 2021
- [A day with Greencoat Capital - The UK's largest financial investor in renewable energy](#)
- Dates: 27 April 2021
- Eligibility: 15 -19-year-olds who are keen to gain insight into financial markets and the role that fund managers play
- Application Deadline: 31 March 2021
- [National Grid - Thinking about a career in energy?](#)
- Dates: 27 - 29 April 2021 (4pm – 5pm)





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- Eligibility: 16 – 19 year interested in employability opportunities at the National Grid.
- Application Deadline: 8 April 2021

- [WGSN: The world's #1 fashion trend forecaster](#)
- Date: 24 May 2021(4pm – 6pm).
- Eligibility: 16 – 19-year-olds interested in helping brands to stay relevant and secure their place in the future.
- Application Deadline: 26 April 2021

- [Green Skills National Competition with Anglian Water](#)
- Dates: 26 May 2021 (09am till 15:00)
- Eligibility: 14 – 19-year-olds keen to fight climate change.
- Application Deadline: 12 May 2021

- [M&S Insight Session - Understanding Social Action](#)
- Dates: 2 June2021 (10am – 11:30am)
- Eligibility: 16 – 19 year interested in learning about social action and routes into M & S.
- Application Deadline: 12 May 2021

- [Green Skills in Consulting & Construction with Jacobs](#)
- Dates: 28 April 2021
- Eligibility: 15 – 19-year-old with an aptitude for STEM subjects.
- Application Deadline: 8 April 2021

- [Hive Projects: Introduction to the Built Environment](#)
- Date: 3 June 2021
- Eligibility: Year 10 and 11 students keen to learn about design and engineering.
- Application Deadline: 30 April 2021

- [Marketing and Business Development VWEX with RIFU](#)
- Dates: 26 May 2021 (10am – 3pm)
- Eligibility: Year 10 and 11 students keen to learn more about a career within Product Design, Project Management, and Sustainability Research.
- Application Deadline: 5 May 2021

- [Victrex – How Can Plastics Improve the Environment?](#)
- Dates: 2 June 2021
- Eligibility: 16 – 19-year-olds interested in a career in information technology.
- Application Deadline: 30 April 2021

- [Careers in Construction - Dragados](#)
- Dates: 1 June 2021(10am -12pm)





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- Eligibility: 15 – 19-year-old interested in apprenticeships and careers in construction, transport and infrastructure.
- Application Deadline: 1 May 2021
- [Y11 VWEX within Cisco's Tech/Business Departments](#)
- Dates: 5 - 9 July 2021 (9:30am – 4:30pm)
- Eligibility: Year 11 students curious about a career in technology.
- Application Deadline: 9 May 2021

For a full list of placements - [sign in here to search and apply](#).

Job of the week in the Health sector: [Learning disability nurse](#). Click on the word for further details.



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.

Your daughter or family can find support through the organisations below:

Useful websites:

From Birmingham with Love: click on the following for the most used services and support, which might make life a little bit easier [Here](#)

- [Action for children](#)
- Barnado's: [Believe in children](#) | [Children's charity](#) | [Barnardo's](#)
- Birmingham Parent Carer Forum [PDF](#)
- [Child Bereavement UK](#)
- [Child Line](#)
- Forward Thinking Birmingham click on link for further support contacts: [FTB](#)
- Kooth: <https://www.kooth.com/> Click the [calendar](#) for further information.

Kooth Live forum Topic Calendar:

- ✓ Monday 5th April – Tackling Loneliness Together
- ✓ Friday 16th April – Paw-sitive Powers of Pets
- ✓ Wednesday 21st April – Our Planet: Celebrating Earth Day
- ✓ Monday 26th April – Looking After Our Communities

- 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 or call their national helpline 0808 800 5000.
- Partnership for Children: www.partnershipforchildren.org.uk





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- Pause: School website - [Pause | Hodge Hill Girls' School \(hodgehgs.bham.sch.uk\)](https://www.hodgehillschools.co.uk/)
- Women's Aid: [Home - Women's Aid](https://www.womensaid.org.uk/)
- YoungMinds: [Looking after your mental health](https://www.youngminds.org.uk/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, I am not happy with?

- Parents
- Teachers
- Friends
- Police
- Online web report button

[Preventing bullying including cyberbullying for parents/carers](#)

[Keeping your child safe online](#)

Have a great holiday.

