



Hodge Hill Girls' School Weekly Parent Bulletin

2nd July 2021

Important Dates

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">Monday 5th July | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Full Governing Board Meeting. |
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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

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

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 [4th July](#)

Week commencing [11th July](#)

Week commencing [18th July](#)

[Testing @ home easy reading guide](#)

Birmingham Children's' Partnership

If you are experiencing financial hardship at this current time, you may wish to visit this site to explore some possible support options:

https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/50224/birmingham_children_s_partnership/2156/birmingham_children_s_partnership_-_resources

Free School Meal (FSM)

Through the COVID Local Support Grant, Birmingham City Council will be providing a £60 supermarket voucher for all pupils eligible for Free School Meals for the summer holiday period. This will be run through the Sodexo scheme which is the same scheme that





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was used at Easter and May half-term. We will plan to send voucher codes to the School Gateway contact of eligible pupils by Friday 16th July; please note that timescales may vary as we need to wait to receive the voucher codes in school before we are able to send these on. As ever, if you have any questions about this, please do contact us at school or by email at

- enquiry@hodgehgs.bham.sch.uk

GCSE Pod

1834 pods have been accessed in the last week with History, English Literature and Biology the most accessed subjects; over 100 pods were also accessed in Combined Science and Maths.

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:

Year 7	754 pods accessed; English Literature, History and Biology
Year 8	615 pods; History, English Literature, ICT
Year 9	59 pods; English Literature, Maths, History
Year 10	406 pods; Combined Science, Biology, Maths

Year 7 Parents Evening

Last Monday we held our Year 7 Parents' Evening as a virtual event; we would be most grateful if Year 7 parents could complete the form, we emailed earlier this week via School Gateway to help us with our future planning.

SEND Briefing Parent Webinar Occupational Therapy 6th July 2021

Parent/Carer Webinars take place regularly throughout the year and cover a number of different topics. Please see the local offer website for further details. Each webinar should last approximately one hour and take the format of a presentation followed by an opportunity to ask questions.

- Click on the following [flyer](#) for further details

SEND Briefing Parent Webinar Speech and Language Wednesday 4th August 2021

- Click on the following [flyer](#) for further details

WWF Summer Reading Challenge

The Summer Reading Challenge runs in 95% of UK public libraries and online at

- <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/news>

Wild World Heroes launches on Saturday 10th July. Click on either links to see how to take part. [WWF Flyer](#)





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Thought for the Week: Adolescence

Value of the Month: Selflessness

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

Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance (CEIAG)



Here is the last [Live Broadcasts Schedule](#) until the summer break from Speakers for schools. Only take part in the ones out of schools hours

Please inform n.nazish@hodgehgs.bham.sch.uk if you apply for any of the places.

New Virtual Work Experience Opportunities:

Bentley Motors

[Business, Purchasing and Property Management](#) - 19th August

[Engineering](#) - 3rd August

[Digital](#) - 22nd July

[Manufacturing](#) - 18th August

Eligibility: 16 - 19 year old

Application Deadline: 30th June 2021

[One Week Work Experience](#)

Dates: 23rd - 27th August 2021

Eligibility: 14-19 year old

Application Deadline: 23rd July 2021

[Tesco: Presenting Yourself with Confidence Post Exam Results](#)

Dates: 17th August 10:00 – 11:30

Eligibility: 16-18

Application Deadline: 23rd July

[Danny Sullivan](#)

Tailored for ambitious open-minded young women. Careers within Construction

Dates: 12th – 16th July 10:00 – 15:00

Eligibility: 15 - 19

Deadline: TBC





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[NHS NextGen Nurse –We Are People: Unlock your potential in an amazing profession](#)

Virtual Insight Day to hear from nurses working across a range of nursing fields

Date: 29th July

Eligibility: 14-18

Application Deadline: 8th July

[Insight Day @ Accenture](#)

Insight Day for those interested in tech and consulting

Dates: 15th July 10:00 – 14:00

Eligibility: 14-19

Application Deadline: 8th July



[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 or call their national helpline 0808 800 5000.
- Partnership for Children: www.partnershipforchildren.org.uk
- Pause: School website - [Pause | Hodge Hill Girls' School \(hodgehgs.bham.sch.uk\)](http://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





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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](#)

