



Hodge Hill Girls' School Weekly Parent Bulletin

7th May 2021

Important Dates

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10th – 14th May• 12th/13th or 14th May (TBC)• Monday 17th May
• Monday 24th May• Monday 31st May – 4th June | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mental Health awareness week• EID• Curriculum and Pastoral Governors meeting and Year 7 Assessment Week• Year 8 Assessment Week• May Half-Term Week – School closed |
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It is important that you are checking your School Gateway/emails and the school website for updates from the school.

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.

To register your LFT results please click on the appropriate date below.

[Week commencing 10th May](#)

[Week commencing 17th May](#)

[Week commencing 24th May](#)

[Week commencing 31st May](#)

[Testing @ home easy reading guide](#)

Eid-UI-Fitr

The festival of Eid-UI-Fitr will fall on either **Wednesday 12th May, Thursday 13th May or Friday 14th May 2021**. We are able to authorise one day of leave for religious observance as recommended by the Department for Education. Any additional days will be unauthorised.





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Face Masks

We continue to expect face coverings to be worn in the school building in line with the latest government guidance. If your daughter has a medical condition and is exempt, then you should contact your daughters pastoral manager. All students should wear a face mask when moving around the premises, such as in corridors, communal areas and inside and outside of classrooms where social distancing cannot easily be maintained.

GCSE Pod

916 pods have been watched over the last week with History, English Literature and Geography the most accessed subjects in the school. We are in 5th place in the national league.

Individual year group figures are as follows:

Year 7	96%	607 pods; PE, History and English Language
Year 8	94%	918 pods; History, Chemistry, English Literature
Year 9	96%	25 pods; English Literature
Year 10	99%	308 pods; English Literature, Maths, History
Year 11	99%	141 pods; History, RS, English Language

Thought for the Week: Charity

Value of the Month: Patience

Year 10 Parents' Evening

We have emailed a link for the evaluation form to all Year 10 parents following the Parents' Evening last week; please complete the form even if you were unable to attend as this will help us with our future planning. The form will close on **Wednesday 12th May**.

Year 10 Additional Support for Maths and Science

We will be trialling some additional 1-1 online tutoring for targeted Year 10 pupils for Maths and Science during the second half of the summer term; if you think that your daughter may benefit from this provision, please contact Miss Middlehurst by emailing by 3.00pm on Tuesday 11th May. c.middlehurst@hodgehgs.bham.sch.uk

Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance (CEIAG)

Job of the week in the Health sector: [Midwife](#)





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LMI Information

Journalists, newspaper and periodical editors

Weekly Pay 610	Annual Pay 31,720
Hours/Week 30h	Hourly Pay 20

Workforce Change (projected)

Growth 5.7%	Replacement 56.1%
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The workforce is projected to grow by 5.7% over the period to 2027, creating **5,100** jobs. In the same period, 56.1% of the workforce is projected to retire, creating **49,900** job openings.

You might find this job in

- Advertising
- Publishing Activities
- Arts and Entertainment
- Sport and Recreation
- Film and Music



Pupils in Years 10 and 11 may be interested in free virtual courses during the summer holidays linked to cyber security: please visit <https://www.smallpeicetrust.org.uk/cyberfirst> to find out more.



Week commencing 10th May Speakers for schools full [Live Broadcasts Schedule](#). Live broadcasts are a great way for students to hear directly from leading figures from a range of industries, and have the opportunity to ask questions via a moderated Q&A.



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.





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It is Mental Health Awareness Week 10th-16th May.

The theme is **Nature**. We are doing a competition with five categories. Open to all year groups.

- 1) Poster
- 2) Postcard
- 3) Poem
- 4) Picture
- 5) Photo

The five categories must be related to theme **Nature**. All entries to

- s.clews@hodgehgs.bham.sch.uk

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

Useful websites:

Educational Psychology - Support wellbeing within your family with the 'Start building resilience' package. Click here for more details. [Flyer](#)

- [Action for children](#)
- Barnado's: [Believe in children | Children's charity | Barnardo's](#)
- [Child Bereavement UK](#)
- [Child Line](#)
- Forward Thinking Birmingham click on link for further support contacts: [FTB](#)
- 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 \(hodgehgs.bham.sch.uk\)](#)
- 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, I am not happy with?





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

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

[Keeping your child safe online](#)

