

Update from the Principal

Friday 10 December 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Return to school in January

As you may be aware the government has asked all secondary schools to carry out one lateral flow test with all pupils on return to school in January. In order to allow this to happen efficiently we will need to bring pupils back over two days. With there already being an INSET day on Tuesday 4th we are requesting that **Years 10, 11, 12 & 13 ONLY** come in to school in **Wednesday 5th January**. They will go to form and lessons as usual and will be collected for testing during the day. Any positive cases will result in phone calls home and collection from school. We would then request **all year groups** in school from **Thursday 6th January**. Again, pupils will go to form and lessons as usual and those in Key Stage 3 will be collected for testing during the day.

We appreciate this may be inconvenient, but this is the most effective way of bringing all pupils back and testing them.

House / School Council

The school council met again this week and had a great discussion around the food on offer in the canteen. They have been tasked with further research and a project and will report back next half term with their findings so that the school can take action to improve things.

House Competition

The autumn photography competition produced some lovely pictures of the local area, some of which now adorn one of my office walls and make me smile every time I look at them. We have so many talented pupils at Huish and it is wonderful to see the work they produce.

The trophy competition brought plenty of points to Lambrook who have really closed the gap between them and Chelston this week. More competitions are taking place with Christmas themes next week.

Christmas

Next Tuesday (14th) is Christmas Jumper day in aid of charity, so please encourage children to wear a Christmas themed jumper under their blazer and donate a pound for a good cause. We also have the Christmas lunch on Tuesday, so if your child fancies a proper Christmas

lunch with all the trimmings they will need to head to the lower canteen. All other food items will be on offer from upper canteen.

The last day of term will be marked by our traditional staff carol singing in the morning as pupils enter the site. This is always a lot of fun and good way of bringing us all together outside for some Christmas cheer.

Vacancies

The Academy is recruiting for the following vacancies:

Caretaker (Site Maintenance Operative) – full time.

Please see the vacancies page of our website for further information:

<https://www.eteach.com/careers/huishepiscopi/>

We are also looking for exam invigilators on a casual basis. To find out more, please contact our Exams Officer, Sally Miller, SMiller@educ.somerset.gov.uk

With best wishes.



Mr Chris Wade
Principal