



Update from the Principal

Friday 10 June 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a lovely half term break and were able to enjoy the extended bank holiday, whether you are royalist or not!

It has been great to get back into school this week and see the Year 11s and 13s continue with their exams so well.

Covid – 19

Just by way of a reminder, as there have been some new cases reported in the local area in recent weeks, if your child shows symptoms of Covid, or tests positive, the recommended isolation period for under 18s is now 3 days, returning to school on the 4th day. If you still unsure please do call us so we can give you the most up to date guidance.

Attendance

You may be aware that nationally the attendance rates in schools have been lower than they would usually be following the pandemic. We have not been immune to this and although we are slightly above the national average, we are currently well below where we would like to be. As the weather improves and hopefully coughs and colds are less frequent please do your best to support your child in attending school every day. When a pupil falls below 90%, which in practical terms is one day a fortnight, they enter the category of “Persistent absence” and are subject to rigorous monitoring, so we need to keep the number of pupils on this list as low as we can.

Sports Day

Mrs Rose (Head of PE) has been running assemblies this week, informing all pupils about the schedule for sports day, which this year is on Wednesday 22nd June. This is always a really positive and fun day, and a great way to secure house points to help in the bid to become champions. When Lambrook won the championship last time, the participation in sports day was the significant contributing factor in their win. So, the more involvement the better. Fingers crossed for good weather.

Votes required please

I am so pleased to let you know that a group of six girls that were part of the safer Streets for Women PSHE day have had their Podcast put through to a public vote, which opened this week. The public vote runs until 5pm on **Wednesday 15th June** and can be accessed at www.collaboratedigital.com/vote. **The winner will be the entry with the most votes at 5pm on Wednesday 15th June.** These girls did a terrific job and it would great to give them a boost by voting if you can. The winners will be invited to speak about the topic of women’s safety in other schools, so would be great experience for them.

Vacancies

We have the following vacancies. Please see our vacancies page for further information <https://www.eteach.com/careers/huishepiscopi/>:

Teacher of Science

HR Manager

Teacher of computing/ IT

Science Technician

Head of Drama

Thanks for your continued support and have a lovely weekend.

With best wishes.



Mr Chris Wade
Principal