

Toynbee



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Dear Parents and Carers

It has been a really positive first week back at school. We have been extremely impressed with all of our pupils who have behaved impeccably and have really focussed on their learning at the same time as participating in the Covid testing programme. I will be writing to you on Monday about the next stage in the school Covid testing programme, please can you make sure that you look out for this correspondence.

School timetable

Next week is WEEK A on your school timetables.

Year 7

Just wanted to say how lovely it has been to have the Year 7 pupils back in school. They came back on Monday and completed the COVID tests like heroes! They have also settled back into Toynbee Life as if they have never been away. Which is fantastic and shows just how much resilience they have. Well done Year7s 😊.

I would also like to say a massive well done to the following pupils who have hit that 150 Achievement Point target.

Maria M 7HA
Isabelle E 7TU
Naomi B 7 TU
Lydie B 7LP
Zachary P 7LP
Edward B 7HA

Kind Regards, Miss Murchie

Year 8

Year 8 have had a fantastic first week back! I have been so impressed with how they have slipped back into school life with such a positive outlook.

Obviously for some, the return to school has been slightly overwhelming and we are here to support the students with any concerns they might have.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Mrs Gouldbourne, Miss Campbell and Miss Dunning to the Year 8 tutor team and thank all of the tutors for helping the students settled back into school so seamlessly.

I wish everyone a happy weekend and hope you all have a good week ahead.

Best wishes,
Mrs Ahern, Year 8 Guidance Manager

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Year 9

It has been a whirlwind of a week this week having all of the pupils return back to school amongst all of the testing taking place!

It has been so lovely to see year 9 and welcome them back! I have really missed seeing their smiling faces, talking to them all every day and just having them all back together has been brilliant! The corridors are once again filled with noise and laughter and back to how school should be. Year 9 have settled really well back into the daily school routine and their lessons. I have been to visit a number of year 9 classes this week to see how they have been getting on and will be continuing to do so over the next couple of weeks. One thing I have noticed this week is that there have been a few tired children whilst they adjust to the early morning starts again! Scoot has also been present in a number of year 9 lessons too helping to welcome them back and relieve any nerves. The pupils seem to have refreshed their friendships with ease and relished in their social interactions at break and lunchtimes on the Astro.

I am also so impressed at how well the year group have taken the testing process in their stride and have simply got on with it, as have every year group we have seen come through the sports hall doors this week. I am so proud of them all!

I will be meeting with the Year 9 Pupil Council in due course to discuss ideas for the summer term. The Year 9 Anti-Bullying Ambassadors that were chosen at the end of the Autumn term have now received their badges and I will be running a training session with them soon.

I am continuing to support pupils pastorally, help them adjust and settle in. Should you feel your child needs any support please get in touch with me.

Year 10

What a busy first week back in school it has been! Year 10 have come back with a fantastic attitude and ready to learn. I have been visiting many classes over the past week and I have been so impressed with their return. Well done Year 10 - Keep up the great work!

I am pleased to finally announce that prefect application forms will be available to pupils from next week. The deadline for applications will be 1st April 2021. There are so many fantastic pupils in Year 10 who would make great prefects. If your child has any questions about becoming a prefect, they can speak with myself or Mr Davis.

I hope you and your families have a great weekend.

Best wishes,

Miss West

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Year 11

I would like to start by saying a huge "well done" to Year 11 for a couple of reasons.

The first stage of testing has commenced, and the year group conducted themselves in a superb, mature manner which was recognised not only by the Senior Leadership Team, but also by the support staff carrying out the testing process. Thank you, Year 11, for helping to make a very time consuming, yet important procedure run as smoothly as possible.

Secondly, the pupils have returned to school with a really focussed attitude to learning and I am extremely proud of them because of this. With so much uncertainty over the next few months, it is crucial that Year 11 continue with this amazing attitude in order to achieve the best possible outcome for them.

Just a gentle reminder that the Toynbee leavers hoodie shop is available on the link below. If you have not already placed your order, please be reminded that the closing date is 15th March.

<https://www.leavershoodies.com/shop/toynbee-school-year-11-leavers-2021>

It just remains for me to say that I am looking forward to supporting you all on our final journey of Year 11. I can be contacted on 02380 269026 or by email: m.vallance@toynbee.hants.sch.uk

Please contact me with any questions or concerns, and I will be happy to help and support.

Take care, Mrs Vallance

Parent Governor Vacancy

We are looking for a new Parent Governor to join our dynamic and experienced team. We would welcome expertise from a parent from a legal or marketing background, but would consider any applications if you feel that this is something that you can contribute to, and would like to support the school on its progress going forward. For an informal conversation about this role please email z.marson@toynbee.hants.sch.uk to arrange a time.

I hope that you all have a great weekend,
Matthew.