21 January 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

I hope this letter finds you well. In this week's letter we bring you current updates and information from College and from ESCC. We also signpost the activities of the College. It has been great to see some of our normal activities taking place this week with trips to the West End, House Competitions as well as Clubs and activities in full swing. Thank you also to all Year 7 parents for your role in making the Year 7 Subject Feedback Evening such a success.

Return to Plan A

As you may have heard via media sources the Government have removed a number of the restrictions relating to Covid Plan B. In terms of our daily patterns this will mean:

- Masks will no longer be required in classrooms, students are free to continue to wear them if they choose to. They are still required in communal areas next week.
- We will retain the masks in communal areas until Friday 28th January and then remove this requirement from Monday 31st January.
- We are unclear at this stage what implications this return to Plan A has for trips and visits but we will study the full guidance carefully when it comes through from the DfE.

We have attached to this letter an updated mitigation infographic, further measures will be revised at half term in the light of cases, or earlier if circumstances permit. Thank you for your support throughout this changing time. Please do <u>contact your pastoral</u> team if you are concerned about your child at this time. We are always keen to help at an early stage if you are worried.

Flu Vaccination

We have been asked to communicate the following information to all parents. The Immunisation Service have recently attended College for the Flu Nasal Spray. If you have already completed a form and your child missed it in school, you will have received a separate email with clinic booking instructions and don't need to complete another.



















However, if your child did not receive the flu vaccination, and you would like them to be vaccinated, it's not too late. Please ensure that you complete an online consent form, if you have not already done so. The online consent form re-opened at 11am today and is available for completion by following the instructions below.

How do I consent / refuse to my child having these vaccinations?	 3. 	Visit the following web address: www.susseximmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu Enter and confirm your preferred email address - you will receive a confirmation email following submission of the consent form. Enter the school code: SX114587 Complete and submit the consent form, indicating your choice of consent - Please ensure you provide the child's registered address and GP.
How do I book an appointment for my child to be vaccinated?		Click the link in automated email you will receive on submission of your completed consent form(s) to book an appointment at one of our Community Catch up Clinics, for your child to receive the vaccination(s) - You will require your booking reference number which can be found in the email. Arrange for an adult to accompany your child to their clinic appointment.

High Expectations

We are incredibly grateful to all parents for your support in ensuring we are able to maintain a calm and supportive environment - ensuring students have the right uniform and the correct equipment is vital to an understanding that we *all* support a focus on learning. It has been brilliant to see them focused and purposeful in lessons, they are doing really well.

We will be communicating with students next week to make sure their actions in social time match those high expectations. In the vast majority of cases and occasions it does and we are very proud of the character of Heathfield students; occasionally we all need a reminder, especially when returning from the disruption of the last two years, that our College routines, habits and standards are expected at all times. Thank you for your support with that consistent message that enables us to maintain these high standards and our consequent success as a community.

Yours sincerely

MS C BARLOW Headteacher

Highlights:

Follow us on <u>Facebook</u> and Twitter (@Heathfield_CC) for live updates of student activities and achievements: *Battle of the Boards, KS4 and 5 Music trip to Wicked, current assemblies and clubs.*

<u>Latest News</u> on the website offers copies of all press releases about students' stories and successes, most recently: *The Battle of the Boards House Competition*.

Dates for the Diary

Monday 24 January	Year 8 Harry Potter Studio Tour			
	Tutor Groups 8C &8 M			
Tuesday 25 January	Year 8 Harry Potter Studio Tour			
	Tutor Groups 8L & 8D			
Wednesday 26 January	Year 8 Harry Potter Studio Tour			
	Tutor Groups 8A & 8T			
Thursday 27 January	Year 8 Harry Potter Studio Tour			
	Tutor Groups 8H & 8E			
Friday 28 January	Covid Vaccinations			
	12 - 15 years			
Wednesday 2 February	Years 12 & 13			
	Theatre Trip - The Great Gatsby			
Thursday 3 February	UKMT Interim Maths Challenge			
	Year 13 Subject Feedback Evening			
Week commencing	Supercurriculum Fortnight Week 1			
7 February				
Friday 11 February	End of Term 3			