

Weekly Parent/Guardian Newsletter

Week B

4 May 2022



**Sorry I'm late,
but I'm here now!**



Welcome to this week's newsletter. Some important information is repeated for your convenience, but there is also new content to be read.

Changes to measures and guidance for managing COVID-19 in education settings from Friday 1 April

On Tuesday 29th March, the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, Sajid Javid, set out the [next steps for living with COVID-19](#) in England from Friday 1st April:

- adults with the symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature
- children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend
- adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice will be 3 days
- regular asymptomatic testing is no longer recommended in any education setting

Water Bottles

Please ensure your child brings a refillable water bottle to school every day.



Important dates for yr11

Please find below some of the key dates relating to Y11 final examinations. As you may know, the GCSE examinations are rather more staggered this year.

Year 11 GCSE French & German Speaking Exams began on 25th April, and will run until Friday 6th May.

Monday 16th May: First GCSE examination. Students will remain in timetabled lessons until **Friday 27th May** (the final day of term 5). After half term (**Monday 6th June onwards**), students will come in only for exams, in school uniform.

Thursday 23rd June: final GCSE examination.

Monday 27th June: Y11 Celebration: red carpet and leavers' assembly.

Wednesday 29th June and Thursday 30th June - Dane Court sixth form induction.

Please be aware that Year 11 intervention for English continues right up until the start of GCSE season. Lots of students are already attending and benefitting from English intervention with Mrs Channing and Mrs Jolley. As the whole school calendar is very busy this term and next, we wanted to set out the concrete dates for intervention until

GCSE season:

Tuesday 03.05.2022

Tuesday 20.05.2022

Support to explain the Invasion of Ukraine at home

I am sure many of you are trying to manage difficult questions at home about the current situation in the Ukraine. Here are some resources to help adults support children with the issues surrounding the Russian invasion of Ukraine that you might find useful.

How to talk to your teenager about the invasion of Ukraine (BBC Bitesize/Anna Freud Centre)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zbrdjsg>

How To Talk To Your Child About The War In Ukraine (YoungMinds)

<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/parent/blog/top-tips-for-talking-to-your-young-person-about-the-events-in-ukraine/>

Worrying about Russia and Ukraine (Childline)

<https://www.childline.org.uk/get-involved/articles/worrying-about-russia-ukraine/>

Best wishes

Anita Ives

U16 Nationals Club Netball Championships

All of the Dane Court community are wishing Willow D. and her Telstars netball team all the best in the U16 Nationals Club Netball Championships this weekend. This is a great achievement for Willow who plays GS and her team. Telstars will be playing the top 18 teams in the country. Willow was also selected for U15 London Pulse squad this year. Amazing sporting achievements.

Emotional Wellbeing Teams Newsletter - April 2022

Welcome to the ninth Emotional Wellbeing Teams newsletter. In this issue we are thinking about Mental Health Week and you'll be able to find out a bit more about what the teams are doing fo...

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KCC Reconnect - summer term home study support

Please see the information from KCC with details for remote support for Key stage 4 with Maths, Science and English
A New Term of Free Homework Support

Whether you tried and enjoyed our free homework support last term or are thinking of giving it a go this term
you must register or re-register using the links below.

Years 5 & 6

Tuesdays & Thursdays - Maths 5-6 pm, English 6-7pm

Sign up here: www.invictaacademy.com/homestudysupport

Years 10 & 11

Tuesdays - Maths 5-6pm & Science 6-7pm

Thursdays - Maths 5-6pm & English 6-7pm

Sign up here: www.invictaacademy.com/home-study-support



Lots of children in your school are already benefitting from Invicta National Academy's FREE home study support
Zoom sessions and yours can too.

There is no commitment, children can drop in and ask a question or stay and receive help for the whole hour. Once
you have registered children can simply log on if they need us. Our fully qualified and experienced teachers and
teaching assistants will be there to offer help and support.

Year 10-13 Jaguar Land Rover virtual event

A great opportunity has arisen for our Key Stage 4 and 5 students - an insight event for Jaguar Land Rover; it
promises to be a really engaging look at the automotive industry, and a must for any student considering careers in
engineering, business and advertising.

The event is virtual but requires students to input personal information - if your young person is interested, we would
ask that you supervise them signing up to ensure that their personal information is used correctly.

More information on the event, including the link to sign up, is attached below.

For those of you interested in high-end motor vehicles you're going to be interested in our next insight event!

*On **Monday 16th May** from **5:00pm - 6:00pm** we're hosting our first ever virtual event with luxury British car manufacturer Jaguar
Land Rover.*

*Having been automotive industry pioneers for more than six decades, today Jaguar Land Rover is the UK's largest investor in
automotive research, development and engineering. They use world class processes to create innovative British craftsmanship and
engineering excellence in over 170 markets worldwide.*

*With exciting new products, cutting-edge facilities and continued growth into new markets, it's an exciting time to be at Jaguar Land
Rover.*

*We'll be hearing all about how the company has become what it is today and their visions for the future with revolutionary new
sustainable technologies particularly in the electric car space.*

*With a wide variety of school-leaver opportunities in a number of engineering fields, data analytics, supply chain & logistics and
finance, could a career at Jaguar Land Rover be for you?*

*Join us to hear about the fascinating world of the ever-evolving motor industry and learn from some of the world's leading
engineering minds in the industry.*

*Click the following link to register yourself for the **online** event: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/JLR-Event>*

We look forward to welcoming you on the day.

*Feel free to share this with any friends you think might be
interested!*

Kind regards,



Local Support Initiatives

There are currently many financial pressures on families and we wanted to share a couple of local support initiatives that you might find useful either for yourself or to pass on to others.

Please see details of the kitchen and social cookery club and a local clothes bank.

Best wishes

Anita Ives

Pastoral support officer

Kitchen Social & Cookery Club

Beat the cost of living crisis

Fruit & Vegetable Stall at the sea end of Edgar Road, Cliftonville Every Saturday between 10am – 1pm.

Mixed Bowls of Fruit, Vegetables, Salad £1 a bowl With Cheese and Meat Half Price

Do join our Facebook Page for Updates
@kitchensocial&cookeryclub

COMMUNITY CLOTHES BANK

SUMMER 2022 POP UP EVENTS - MENS, KIDS & WOMENS CLOTHES AND SHOES

Are you struggling to afford clothes and shoes this summer?
We're here to support you with free clothes available at our events below:

10AM – 1PM
Thursday 28th April
Thursday 19th May
Thursday 23rd June
Thursday 14th July

**all in the main hall at Union Church,
Union Crescent, Margate,
Kent CT9 1NR**

**Do please contact us with any questions.
Find us on facebook and IG - Community Clothes Bank**

PE – Suncream Required

As the summer terms are commencing please be aware of the weather forecast and when your child has PE. We recommend if it is due to be a hot or sunny day that students have sunscreen in their PE kit bags so they can protect themselves before they go outside for their one hour of PE.

Many thanks

Miss Bolt

Car Boot Fairs!

The Dane Court Grammar School Parents' Association are pleased to announce the dates of our popular boot fairs for this year! There's no need for stallholders to book, just turn up at 6:00am. £8 for cars and £10 for vans. The boot fairs are open to the general public at 6:30am and refreshments are available.

If any parent would like to help on gate duty at any one of these events please contact Gloria Riley at riley@danecourt.kent.sch.uk

This year's events are as follows:

Saturday 14 May 2022

Saturday 11 June 2022

Saturday 9 July 2022

Saturday 10 September 2022

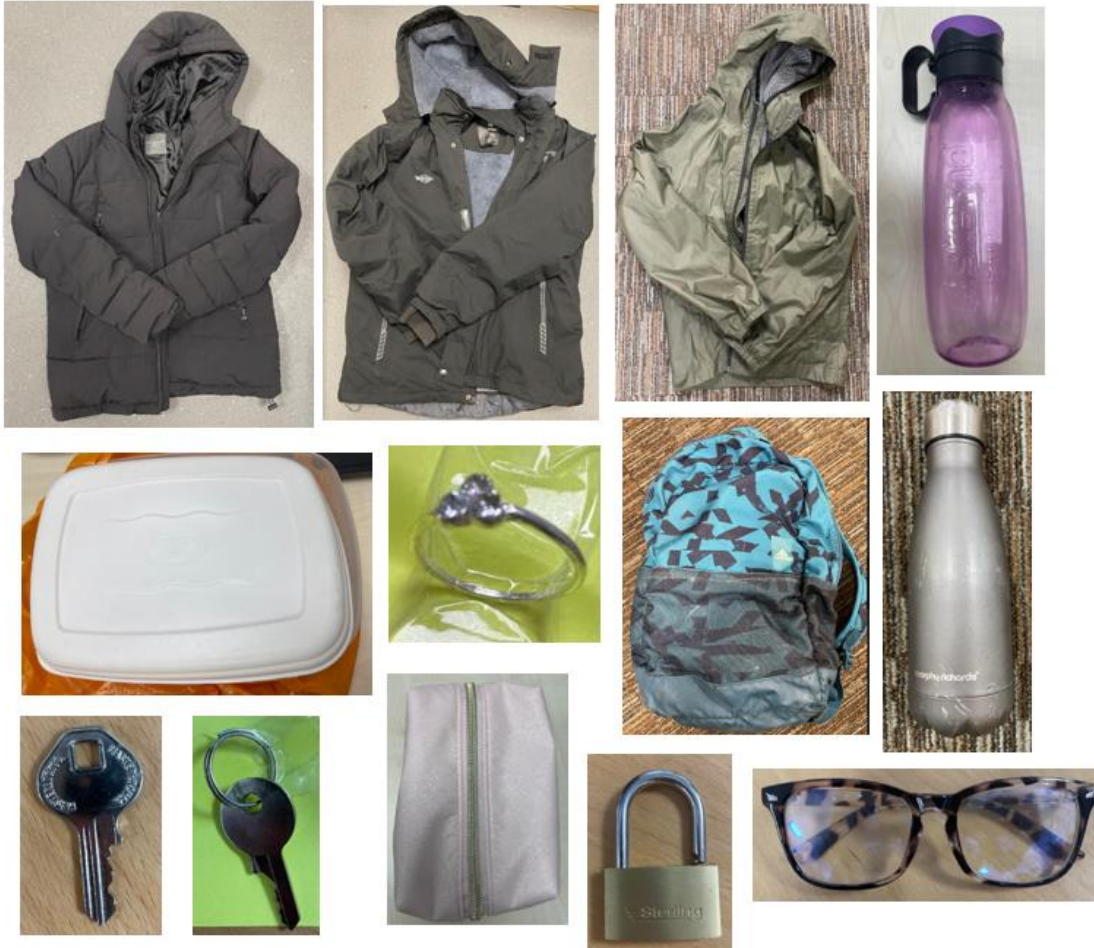
Extra Curricular Activities Term 5

| Day | Name of club | When | Where | Year group |
|------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|--|
| Monday | | | | |
| | Chatter | Lunchtime | Library | All |
| | Choir | After school | H7 | All |
| Tuesday | | | | |
| | Junior Book Club | Lunchtime | Library | Yr 7&8 |
| | Athletics | After school | Field | all years |
| | Art club | 3:20 - 4:30 | ART | All years |
| | Calm club | Lunchtime | | all years (INVITE ONLY) |
| | Orchestra | 3.30-4.30 | H7 | all years |
| | Jazz Band | 4.30-5 | H7 | all years |
| | Debating club (week A) | 3:30-4:30 | Library | all years |
| Wednesday | | | | |
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| | from 19/01 DOfE until 11/05/22 | | | yr 12 |
| | Mindset | Lunchtime | | all years (INVITE ONLY) |
| | Beginner Steel Band | 3.30-4.15 | H7 | All |
| | Advanced Steel Band | 4.15-5 | H7 | All |
| Thursday | | | | |
| | Rounders | afterschool | field | all years |
| | Cricket | afterschool | field | |
| | Climbing | After school | PE- climbing wall | All years (if they did the introduction in the last 2 terms) |
| | Drama | Thursday 3.30-4.30 | H1 | 7-10 |
| | Senior Book Club | Lunchtime | Library | Yr9 upwards |
| | Debating Club (week B) | 3:30-4:30 | Library | all years |
| | Manga drawing Club | Lunchtime 13:45-14:15 | L8 | all years |
| | Film Club (Wk A) | After school | M4 | 12/13 |
| Friday | | | | |
| | Dungeons & Dragons | 3.20-4.20 | Library | All years |
| | Chatter | Lunchtime | Library | 7-13 |
| | Yoga | Friday 3.30 | PE - studio | 6th form |

Lost Property this week

We have a few unnamed items in our lost property already this term. They include glasses, coats, rucksack containing a PE kit, Tupperware, water bottles, toiletry bag, keys, padlock and a ring. Please remember to name any items your child brings into school to help us quickly return any lost items. Photos of the easily identified items are set out below. If you recognise any of them, or think that the items of unnamed uniform may belong to your child, please do contact the office on 01843 864941 to arrange collection as soon as possible.

Many thanks, Office T



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