

Weekly Parent/Guardian Newsletter

Week B

25 June 2021



Dear Parent/Guardian,

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

COVID-19 Asymptomatic Home Testing Guidance

Thank you for your continued support with Covid-19 home testing.

Wherever possible, your child should **continue testing and reporting results twice a week at home**. Test kits have been supplied to all students.

If your son/daughter runs out of tests before being issued a new box please ask them to collect more from the school office.

Reporting results

Recording all test results helps scientists stay ahead of the virus by spotting new outbreaks quickly and advising how to respond.

Reporting results is easy.

Go to: [Report a COVID-19 rapid lateral flow test result - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk) Or call: 119 free from a mobile or landline. Lines are open every day, 7am to 11pm. Support is offered in 200 languages as well as British Sign Language and Live Video Assistance.

All results should be reported, even if your child's result is negative or void. To help in communicating the importance of testing and reporting, the government has produced a blog on [why reporting your test result is as important as taking a test](#)

You should also keep a note of the test ID and share your child's results with school using [this link](#)

Universal Testing

The government is encouraging all adults to participate in twice weekly testing to help stop the spread of coronavirus. You can order tests through the [Order coronavirus \(COVID-19\) rapid lateral flow tests](#) service.

Up to one in three people who have COVID-19 have no symptoms and could be spreading it without knowing. Maintaining a regular habit of testing twice a week, 3-4 days apart, will help stop the virus spreading and keep schools and colleges open to students and staff.

Symptomatic COVID-19 Testing

- Home testing using the LFD tests **does not replace testing for those with symptoms.**
- If your son/daughter (or anyone in your household) experience symptoms of COVID-19 your household must self-isolate immediately, book a PCR test and follow national guidelines. You will need to inform the school if this is the case.
- Once you have the result of the test please inform us as soon as possible. If the result is negative you can then stop self-isolating and your son/daughter can return to school if they are well enough. If the result is positive your household will need to continue to self-isolate for 10 days from the onset of symptoms and follow national guidelines.

If you have any queries regarding testing please contact Carolyn Hobbs, Office Manager.

School medical room procedure

Please can we draw your attention to the correct medical room procedure for when your son/daughter feels unwell in school.

If or when your child feels unwell in school, they must:

1. Tell their teacher (their teacher will then decide whether to send them to the main office)
2. Be sent to the main office.
3. Be assessed by the first aiders and either sent back to class or to the medical room
4. After assessment by the first aiders the decision will be made to contact parents for collection or advise.
5. Await collection by a parent/guardian or allocated adult or return to class as instructed.

Year 7 Feedback form

Dear parents/Guardians,

If you attended the year 7 parents evening please can you complete some feedback using the link below.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScwzU_hZd5xSGhY5xMyN1vtspMnChk_X174vAb2uB8-aYBgpcw/viewform?usp=sf_link

Grading 2021

Full detail of our processes and evidence for awarding grades in 2021 can now be found under the 'Parents' menu of the school website.

Dane Court Pe Kit

Dear parents/carers,

Dane court has changed the PE kit supplier and all orders of PE kit will now go through Ambition Sport. If you could check your emails you will find instructions of how to do this which will hopefully make it a lot easier for you.

Many thanks
Miss Bolt

EU Settlement Scheme

We have been asked by The Home Office to pass on the following message to all parents, families, young people and staff. If you are an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen, you and your family members may be eligible to apply to the Settlement Scheme. However, the EU Settlement Scheme (EUSS) application deadline is very soon - **30th June**.

It is crucial that eligible adults apply to the Scheme themselves and check whether they need to do so on behalf of their children. Eligible children are required to have an application in their own right and no child of any age is covered by a parent's application to the EUSS. There's [more information on this here on GOV.UK](#).

To provide additional guidance, a very clear EUSS [leaflet](#) has been produced by the University of Liverpool, in partnership with the Home Office. It has been designed with children in mind and is intended to support both children and parents with information to help them apply to the EUSS. A set of accompanying [FAQs](#) are available too.

A list of organisations providing additional EUSS guidance and information is available [here](#). Applications to the EUSS are free and can be made online at www.gov.uk/eusettlementscheme, where you can also find out more information about how to apply.

DANE COURT GRAMMAR SCHOOL

PHYSICAL EDUCATION EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS

HALF TERM 6

	Classroom 3.30-4.30	Field 3.30-4.30	Sports Hall 3.30-4.30	Activity Studio 3.30-4.30
Monday		Year 7 only Tennis - Dr Green (FREE) Outdoor bootcamp - Mr Argyrides (FREE) Skateboarding - Miss Buffery (FREE)		Street Dance - Miss Bradley (FREE)
Tuesday		Year 8 only Tennis - Miss Bolt (FREE) Outdoor bootcamp - Miss Metcalfe (FREE) Skateboarding - Miss Buffery (FREE)		
Wednesday		Year 10 only Tennis - Mr White (FREE) Outdoor bootcamp - Mr Wallace (FREE)		
Thursday	PE staff examinable PE meeting - M5	Year 9 only Tennis - Mr Towe (FREE) Outdoor bootcamp - Mr Coyne (FREE) Skateboarding - Miss Buffery (FREE)		

Appropriate sports clothing must be worn in order to take part in all sports clubs. The usual high standards of behaviour that are expected by the PE Department must also be retained. Wet weather may mean some clubs would need to be cancelled.

6th Form Spanish

This week our Higher Spanish class in the sixth form have entered the prestigious Anthea Bell competition for Young Translators run by the Stephen Spender Trust at the University of Oxford. The competition aims to promote language learning across the UK and to encourage creative translation. The year 12s completed a workshop on translating poetry from Spanish to English and heard from current Oxford students on their experience of studying languages at University. We look forward to the results of the competition in a few weeks' time!

Miss Howard

Pizza Recipe



Ingredients

250g strong plain flour

1 tsp salt
with 75ml of cold water.

1 tbsp oil

½ sachet dried yeast

150ml warm water

2 tbsp tomato puree and 2 tbsp ketchup
100g cheese

Pinch mixed herbs
floured

Toppings of your choice:-

Cooked meat, mushrooms, peppers,
Olives, red, onion, canned tuna etc.

1. Light your oven gas 7, electric 200
2. In a large bowl mix together the flour, salt, and yeast.
3. In a measuring jug combine 75ml of boiling water from the kettle
4. Slowly add 7tbsp of warm water to the flour mixture, a little at a time, bringing it together with a palette knife.
5. Knead the ball of dough on a lightly floured work surface for 5/10mins
6. Shape or roll out into a circle and place on a lightly baking tray
7. Meanwhile prepare the toppings, grate the cheese, mix together in a small bowl the ketchup and puree.
8. Spread over the tomato sauce leaving a 1cm border, Arrange your toppings. Bake for 20 mins until cooked
9. Now Garnish and present your dish.

Sports Day Information

In line with current covid restrictions the PE department have adapted so we can hold a mini year group bubble 'Sports Days'.

Please note on some of these days the timetable will be period 1 and 2 then break. Period 3 and then lunch. After lunch period 4 and 5. This will show below where it says '2-1-2'.

Students on their set day are allowed to come into school and leave school in PE kit if they wish. A refreshment stall will be present so a small amount of cash may be a good idea. Please check the weather and ensure your child has sun cream and lots of water.

The dates are as follows:

Year 7 - Week B - Monday 5th July - period 1 and 2 - 2-1-2 day

Year 8 - Week B - Monday 5th July - period 4 and 5 - 2-1-2 day

Year 9 - Week B - Wednesday 7th July - period 4 and 5 - 2-1-2 day

Year 10 - Week B - Friday 9th July - period 1 and 2 - normal school timing day

Many thanks

Miss G Bolt

Head of Physical Education

Deputy head of Helsinki House



Online Safety advice - [Report Remove Tool](#)



**Nude image of you online?
We can help take it down.**

Childline and the Internet Watch Foundation (IWF) have just released a new tool that allows children and young adults to report an inappropriate image or video of themselves that has been uploaded somewhere online. They may also report an image or video that they fear may be uploaded to the internet at some point in the future. The IWF will then take steps to remove the image from the Internet completely and assign a 'hash' to prevent the image being uploaded by anyone after.

The tool has been under trial for a year but is now available to all as of 22nd June 2021. We urge all parents to make their children aware of this new tool as it could really help a student who may make a mistake in the future.

The reporting tool can be found via the following link:

<https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/remove-nude-image-shared-online>

Important dates coming up for sixth form!

22nd June at 5pm - University application evening for parents

28th June all day - Research day: IBDP students completing the extended essay, IBCP students completing the ethical project.

Boot Fairs!!

This year's events are as follows:

Saturday 10 July 2021





No August Boot Fair

Saturday 11 September 2021

Look forward to seeing some of you there!

The Parents' Association





Year 12 Physics Breakfast Club

Wednesdays
08:00-08:30 D12

