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Dear Parents

Although our bulletin is normally fortnightly there are a few updates and reminders we wanted to share with you this week

Open Evening

Our annual Open Evening will take place on Thursday 23rd September. School will be open for the day as usual until 3pm but Period 7s for Year 11 will not run on that day to allow staff time to prepare their classrooms for Open Evening. Students may be invited in by departments to support with subject activities or as student leaders to conduct tours with prospective students and their parents.

INSET Day

Just a reminder as stated in the calendar, school will be closed to students on Friday 24th September for staff training.

School photographs

We have the school photographer in school on Wednesday 29th September. During this time they will take individual and sibling photos for all year groups and the photographs will be available for you to purchase via Braiswick and school.

Transport

We have had correspondence today confirming amendments to times regarding the Select bus service 71 and 71A. We are aware of some issues on these routes as students have returned to school and have been in regular contact. Please see the information below from Staffordshire County Council:

Select have arranged to change the timetable for the 71 and 71A services to Cheslyn Hay from Monday 20 September. Please find the links below to the timetables on our website.

[School transport timetables - Staffordshire County Council.](#)

The students from Westcroft will move to the 71. New passes will be ordered but until they arrive, students will be able to board the 71 from Monday with their 71A passes.

Enrichment

As school life returns to more normal times we are excited to launch our super enrichment curriculum and activities that take place outside of lessons. Miss Horobin will be launching our enrichment activities in assemblies from Monday 27th September. Further information to follow.

Flu Vaccination programme

As you may be aware all students are now offered the flu vaccination. The information below is from the NHS immunisation team.

The immunisation team will be in school on Friday 1st October to vaccinate all children eligible for the flu vaccine from years 7-11. Please read the information below and if you are happy for your child to receive the vaccine you must complete the electronic consent form which is in the information below.

This vaccination is recommended to help protect your child against the flu. Flu can be an unpleasant illness and can cause serious complications. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable family and friends by preventing the spread of flu. With COVID-19 still in circulation, it is important to reduce the number of those becoming ill with flu this winter to help protect them, the NHS and social care. Research also shows that if you become unwell with both flu and COVID-19 at the same time you may become seriously ill.

This vaccination is free and is a quick and simple spray up the nose. Even if your child had it last year, it is recommended to have the flu vaccine again this year. If your child has a long-term medical condition they can access this vaccine both at your GP surgery or in School. For those children that cannot have the nasal spray, the injected flu vaccine is recommended.

Some people may not accept the use of porcine gelatine in medical products. The nasal flu vaccination is considered the most appropriate vaccine, however if this is not suitable, there is an **alternative injectable porcine free vaccine** available this year. This will be an injection, rather than a nasal spray and may need to be given in a clinic setting, rather than school. If you would like your child to receive the alternative vaccination, please tick the relevant box on the consent page of the e-consent form.

For further information see:

www.mpft.nhs.uk/services/school-age-immunisation

www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/child-flu-vaccine/

Electronic Consent - The School Age Immunisation Team is moving towards paperless vaccination programmes and the use of e-Consent is quick and easy to use, and can be completed on any electronic device.

Click on this link <https://forms.mpft.nhs.uk/> to complete the consent form.

Your school Code is **SS146443**

Please complete the e-consent form by **21/09/2021**

Please ensure that you complete and submit your child's consent form promptly, whether you wish your child to be immunised or not and only submit one consent form per child. If you have any concerns or would like to discuss further please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Immunisation Team on 03001240366 or email school.immunisation@mpft.nhs.uk

If your child has already received this immunisation via your GP Practice, please contact us at school.immunisation@mpft.nhs.uk or call 0300 124 0366 to advise.

If your child is asthmatic and there are any changes to their health 14 days before the vaccination date YOU MUST contact the immunisation team on 0300 124 0366 as your child may not be well enough to receive the vaccination. These include, if your child:

- **Becomes wheezy**
- **Has required oral steroids**
- **Has increased their asthma medication**

If you have any further questions or need more information, please contact the School Age Immunisation Team rather than the school on 0300 124 0366.

Covid-19 Update

We have had several confirmed positive cases of covid-19 over the past week. It continues to be recommended that students complete their twice-weekly lateral flow testing to help contain the spread of the virus. Students are welcome to wear masks in school if they wish and it is strongly recommended that they do so on school transport. More information about updated guidance regarding Covid-19 can be found towards the end of the bulletin.

As you may be aware, the government announced on 13th September 2021 that young people, aged 12 to 15 years old, are now eligible to receive the first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. This decision follows advice from the UK's chief medical officers, who have said that rolling out the vaccine to this age group will help to reduce disruption to young people receiving face-to-face education in the classroom.

We are currently working with the relevant organisations and bodies including Public Health England, the NHS and immunisation team to formalise how and when the vaccine programme will be taking place. We will write to you to update you once the plans are finalised.

Lateral Flow Tests

As onsite testing has now finished upon students' return to school, as per previous correspondence, LFT should be taken twice weekly for the remainder of September (current guidance). New LFT kits have been distributed to students this week however if you need any further information please get in touch.

Please continue to report results, using the below Google links and inform the school ASAP with any positive results. Guidance on what to do when you receive a positive test was shared with you in previous letters.

Year 7	Year 7 LFT Result
Year 8	Year 8 LFT Result
Year 9	Year 9 LFT Result
Year 10	Year 10 LFT Result
Year 11	Year 11 LFT Result
Year 12	Year 12 LFT Result
Year 13	Year 13 LFT Result

Useful Information

[WAT student and parent website](#)

[Adverse Weather policy](#)

[Class Charts Parents' Information Guide](#)

[Cheslyn Hay Academy Website](#)

Covid-19 Guidance

What to do if your child develops symptoms of coronavirus (COVID 19)

If your child develops symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), they should isolate immediately and arrange a test via <https://www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test> or by calling 119. The rules on [self-isolation have changed](#).

Close contacts of a positive case (including households) no longer need to self-isolate if they are:

- o fully vaccinated
- o are under the age of 18 and 6 months
- o cannot have the vaccination for medical reasons
- o or have taken part in or are currently part of an approved COVID-19 vaccine trial

Any household members that are over 18 and 6 months and are not fully vaccinated will need to isolate. The main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are a new, continuous cough, or a high temperature, or a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia).

In addition to the above main Covid-19 symptoms, if your child develops any of the following symptoms, it is also recommended they arrange a PCR test: *loss of appetite, sore throat, extreme tiredness, sneezing, headache, diarrhoea, joint or muscle ache, vomiting, nausea, rash, runny nose or congestion.* This is because these other symptoms have also been linked to Covid-19 infection. Individuals with any of these other symptoms (apart from diarrhoea and vomiting) **can carry on attending their setting** if they are well enough to do so.

Remote Education

If you have any questions about remote education please contact Mr. Hood at info@cheslynhay.windsoracademytrust.org.uk

Keeping up to date

Letters and parent bulletins can be found on Parents or Publications pages of the school website. Follow us on social media

<https://www.facebook.com/CheslynHayAcademy> and <https://twitter.com/CHAcademyTweets>

Student illness

Please let us know if your child is ill and unable to complete their Google Classroom work by emailing info@cheslynhay.windsoracademytrust.org.uk Please let us know how long you think they will be unable to complete the work and if the illness is suspected coronavirus

Questions or queries

General questions or concerns about your child, the work set or other issues please email CHA-HoH@cheslynhay.windsoracademytrust.org.uk

Update and messages

The Student and Parent site is regularly updated with messages and guidance [Student and Parent / Carer Remote Working Guidance website.](#)

iPad for Learning Scheme

If you are a Key Stage 3 parent and would like to know more about our exciting new scheme, please email ghood@cheslynhay.windsoracademytrust.org.uk

Help with Google Classroom

The Student and Parent site has guidance and help with any questions on how to use Google classroom

Technical Support for Google Classroom

For technical support, such as password resets, please use the technical help request on the Student and Parent site [Tech Help](#)

Safeguarding

The Cheslyn Hay Academy Safeguarding Team members are

- Ms L Podmore
- Ms N Crookshank

- Mr D Wigg
- Mrs S Saunders
- Mrs K Spooner
- Mr M Bourne
- Mrs J Bonser
- Mrs M Cooke
- Mr C Baker

Please email cha-sgt@cheslynhay.windsoracademytrust.org.uk if you have any concerns.

However, if you have a safeguarding concern about a child please call First Response on 0800 1313 126 outside of the school's hours. If there is an urgent response needed please phone 999 or 111

For anything else please email headteacher@cheslynhay.windsoracademytrust.org.uk or use the contact us page on our website [Contact](#)

Term Dates 2021/22

Inset Days (school closed to students):

Thursday 2nd September
 Friday 24th September
 Monday 29th November
 Friday 10th December
 Friday 28th January
 Monday 27th June

Autumn Term 2021

Term Starts: Friday 3 September (Lateral Flow Testing only)

Half Term: Monday 25 October – Friday 29 October

Term ends: Friday 17 December - 12.35pm close

Holiday: Monday 20 December – Monday 3 January

Spring Term 2022

Term Starts: Tuesday 4 January

Half Term: Monday 21 February – Friday 25 February

Term ends: Friday 8 April

Holiday: Monday 11 April – Friday 22 April

Easter Sunday: Sunday 17 April

Summer Term 2022

Term starts: Monday 25 April

May Day: Monday 2 May

Half Term: Monday 30 May – Friday 3 June

Term ends: Thursday 21 July -12.35pm close

Holiday: Friday 21 July – Friday 2 September