

"Success For All"

NETHERHALL LEARNING CAMPUS HIGH SCHOOL

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End of Spring Term letter from the Principal

Dear Parent/Carer,

As the Easter break fast approaches and the Covid-19 restrictions have been removed, I would like to take this opportunity to update you all on a number of Netherall's priorities and initiatives moving into the final term of 2021-2022.

School Uniform

On our return following the Easter break we will be refocusing our attentions on to student's school uniform. We appreciate that over the colder months and with classrooms continuing to be aired due to the transition of Covid a number of the classroom expectations have had to be relaxed, however, as the weather improves there should be no need for outdoor coats and hoodies being worn in class. Students should also be in full uniform every day. This includes black trousers (no track suit bottoms), black shoes/trainers and the school t-shirt and jumper should both have the school logo on.

All students in Year 7 to 10 should now have received their PE hoody with NLC logo which has been provided by school. If your child has not received theirs, please ask them to come to the school office to collect. A reminder of the PE Uniform is below:

- Black Polo Shirt (with or without logo)
- All Weather Outdoor Top / PE hoody with logo
- Shorts / Tracksuit Bottoms
- Football Boots (dependent on activity- required for girls and boys)

Contacting school

If you have a query regarding your child's school day, please contact their Form Tutor or Subject Teacher in the first instance. Where possible, we ask that you contact staff by email rather than phone call as the majority of our staff are teaching or on duty between 8.45am and 2:45pm. Should you phone our office, our team will do their best to assist you and will provide you with the details to contact the relevant member of staff. If you are unsure who to contact, the general school email address is info@nlconline.org.uk which is monitored regularly throughout the school day.

Reporting an absence for your child

To report an absence for your child, please contact the school attendance officer before 8:30am on 01484 382140 and selecting option 1 on your telephone keypad. Absence messages are regularly checked and we ask that you leave an answerphone message with the name, tutor group and reason for your child's absence.

Free School Meals

If your child receives free school meals, a voucher for £30 per child (£15 per week) will be issued on Tuesday 5th April 2022 via Wonde. If you require any assistance accessing your voucher, please contact school before the end of term Friday 8th April 2022.

Mental health and wellbeing (MHWB) update from Mrs Hymanforth

We wanted to take this opportunity to update you on our mental health and wellbeing support for students since the COVID pandemic.

- Students in Years 7 & 8 are still receiving a weekly lesson shaped around the many strategies and influences on MHWB with the most recent student voice showing huge progress on their ability to vocalise and identify wellbeing challenges and sources of help.
- Whole school Personal Development hour and events- we have had a number of external speakers and presentations that have discussed a range of issues and techniques to support them now and in the future.
- MHWB tutoring for students who have been identified as needing some time to talk through concerns.

We recognise that mental health can be a barrier to progress at school and want to support all our students reach their potential. In the upcoming weeks, our MHWB ambassadors and I will be raising the profile of Kooth, an online mental wellbeing community in which Kirklees students can access a wide range of support from home including articles, discussion boards and a live chat function to reach out for support if needed. In the previous parental questionnaire, many of you were keen to know more on how you can help your young people and I will be looking into a parental event with our new Community Hub Lead to ensure you are aware of services such as Kooth as we continue to work together to reach our goal that all students are happy, healthy and safe.

Summer Rewards Trip

I am delighted to inform you that we have booked a Summer Rewards Trip to Alton Towers during the last week of the summer term. Each and every student from Year 7 to 10 currently has a place provisionally booked for this exciting opportunity. The trip is free of charge to parents as school is covering all costs for entry to the park and travel to and from school.

In order to qualify for a place on the trip, over the summer term, students must meet the criteria below;

Year 7– students sit 10 separate subjects during the summer term. In order for students to qualify for the reward trip, they must achieve at least 8 green or better 'Attitude to Learning' grades in their summer report.

Year 8 – students sit 14 separate subjects during the summer term. In order for students to qualify for the reward trip, they must achieve at least 11 green or better 'Attitude to Learning' grades in their summer report.

Year 9 and Year 10 - students sit 8 separate subjects (Science – combined individual Sciences & English – combined Language & Literature). In order for students to qualify for the reward trip, students must achieve at least 6 green or better 'Attitude to Learning' grades in their summer report.

I have attached the 'Attitude to Learning' template for your information. To qualify for the trip all we ask is that students come to school, make the right choices, work hard and do their best.

I would like to thank all the students and you as parents & carers for the resilience, determination and support during the difficult disruptive time that has been caused by Covid-19. But it is now up to us all to move forward and prepare the students for what lies ahead. It goes without saying that students have lost out on educational and social growth over the last two years and I would ask you all to make sure each student makes full use of their time in school alongside making full use of our out of hours programme which can be found on the website and SIMS App.

Only by working together to build resilience will the students of Netherhall truly meet their full potential.

If you have any other questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact school.

A reminder that our school website is full of key information for parents and is updated regularly with upcoming news and events <u>www.nlconline.org.uk</u>

I wish you an enjoyable and restful Easter break.

Yours sincerely

Michael Kent Principal

Upcoming dates for your diary

All term dates for this academic year and next year 2022/23 can be found on our school website: <u>https://www.nlconline.org.uk/netherhall-learning-campus-high-school/for-parentscarers/term-dates/</u>

Thursday 7 th April 2022	Year 9 Virtual Parents Event
Monday 25 th April 2022	Students return to school following Easter holidays.
Friday 29 th April 2022	Year 9 Teenage Immunisations Booster
Monday 2 nd May 2022	Mayday Bank Holiday – school closed to staff and students
Tuesday 21 st June 2022	'Netherfest' – an in school outdoor music festival
Monday 30 th May– Friday 3 rd June 2022	May Half Term
Wednesday 13 th July 2022	Summer Concert
Friday 22 nd July 2022	Last day of term. School closes to pupils at 12pm