

# BHS Update



19<sup>th</sup> June 2020



## Attachments this week:

- Virtual Lesson Timetable
- IGD Invitation for Parents

## Academic Welfare Meetings

When we returned from the Easter holiday we carried out individual Academic Welfare 'check-in' meetings with Year 10 students and their parents. These were done virtually using Microsoft Teams, or where this was not possible, they were done through phone calls. The meetings were incredibly useful in helping us secure a clearer picture of where these students are at with their learning, and where we need to prioritise our support. On the back of this, I would now like to commit to carrying out a similar 'check-in' with each student (and parent where possible) in Years 7-9, before the end of this term. The reality is that holding 300 Teams meetings over the next few weeks will not be possible. So, what we are planning is a range of ways to carry out these interactions: phone-call interviews, written exchanges and Teams meetings. Further details to follow soon!



## Return of the Year 10s

It has given us a massive lift to have more students back in school this week, and to be able to get back some of the normality we are all missing (students sitting in classrooms being taught!). I'd like to thank them all for their excellent behaviour and attitude; we've had a different group in Mon to Thurs but each group have conducted themselves impeccably. And strangely...each group seemed a little more cheerful than the day before! If you are a parent of a Yr 10 child who has not yet attended their designated morning...I urge you to consider booking them in. The feedback from staff and students has so far been really positive and the provision, although only a morning, is definitely helping to link together the school learning and home-learning.

## TRANSPORT QUERIES FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING SCHOOL?

Contact Mrs Knight:  
[knights@bedalehighschool.org.uk](mailto:knights@bedalehighschool.org.uk)  
Tel. 01677 422419

Remember to book your child a place on the school bus well in advance - control & click here:

[survey weblink](#)

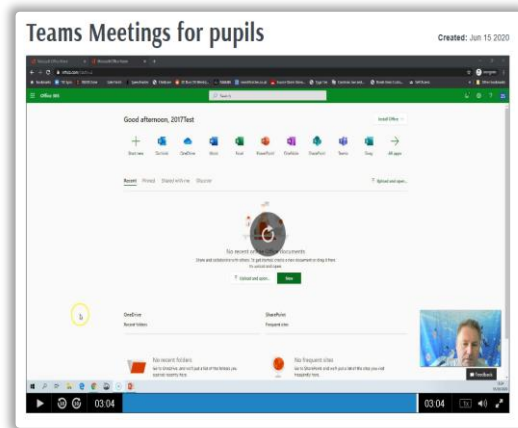
**22<sup>nd</sup> June is the deadline for transport for the week commencing 29<sup>th</sup> June**

# Instructions for Teams Meetings

As I mentioned last week, following our staff training, increasing numbers of staff are trying to get to grips with the challenge of delivering virtual lessons (or similar formats such as recorded/narrated PowerPoints and videos). One of the most common platforms we are using is Microsoft Teams. This is because all students have access to it through their school Outlook email accounts. Mr Barnes has kindly produced a simple video guide (link opposite) to explain how you can access these lessons if a student has received an invitation through their school email. Please keep an eye out for these - they really are a great way to engage with learning remotely.

**LINK FOR INSTRUCTIONS VIDEO**

<http://somup.com/cY1oIEQYt8>



**Got a spare laptop/tablet that you don't use anymore? We will happily take it off your hands if you would like to re-set it and donate to school for students with no PC at home...Thank you!**

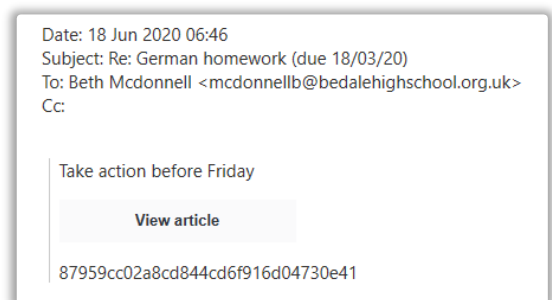
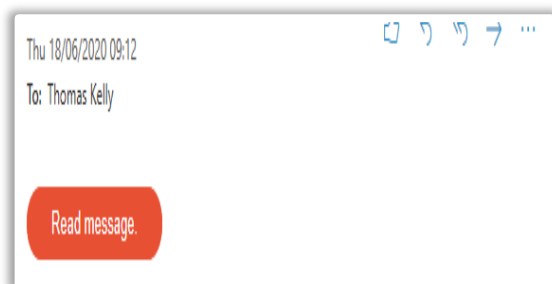
## Virtual Lesson Timetable

Please see the attached document for the timetable of next week's virtual lessons. More and more staff are experimenting with these as we move forwards. We are also looking to see where it may be appropriate to open up some lessons to a wider audience beyond that teacher's usual class. We are going to trial this with Mrs Cann next week. Any virtual English lesson that Mrs Cann is teaching next week will be open to other students in the year group who may not be in her English class. BUT if any other students want to join these lessons, they need to send Mrs Cann an email so that she can send them a invitation and link to the lesson. Please continue to encourage your children to engage with these lessons where they are on offer.

DAY	TIME	Subject/Year/Class	Teacher
Monday	10.00am	Maths Yr 7/8/9/10	Mrs Hall
	11.00am	Maths Yr 7/8/9/10	Mrs McDonnell
	1.30pm	Maths Yr 7/8/9/10	Mrs Cann
Tuesday	10.00am	English Yr 7	Mr Gill
	11.00am	Maths Yr 7/8/9/10	Mrs Cann
	1.30pm	Maths Yr 7/8/9/10	Mr Maggisha
	1.30pm	Maths Yr 7/8/9/10	Mrs McDonnell
	1.30pm	Maths Yr 7/8/9/10	Mr Rowley
Wednesday	10.00am	English Yr 7	Mr Rowley
	10.00am	Sports Studies Yr 9	Mrs Temple
	11.00am	German Yr 10	Mr Childe
Thursday	10.00am	German Yr 10	Mrs McDonnell
	1.30pm	Maths Yr 7/8/9/10	Mrs Hall
	1.30pm	Maths Yr 7/8/9/10	Mr Rowley
	1.30pm	Maths Yr 7/8/9/10	Mr Maggisha
	1.30pm	Maths Yr 7/8/9/10	Mr Childe
Friday	9.30am	Geography Yr 10	Mr Childe
	10.00am	Maths Yr 7/8/9/10	Mr Gill
	11.00am	History Yr 10	Mrs Hall
	12.00pm	Maths Yr 7/8/9/10	Mrs McDonnell
	1.30pm	Maths Yr 7/8/9/10	Mr Rowley

## Problems with student email accounts

Please be aware that a number of students' email accounts have suffered from virus attacks over the last couple of weeks. The reason for this may be because some students' activities online could be compromising their accounts through using unsafe apps. Or it could be links that pupils are clicking on (in which case it may not just be their school accounts that are being affected). If pupils are using a parent's details to log on to PCs then the parent's account may also be exposed. Some of the messages look like the ones opposite, but they make take other forms. Please do not click on messages like this. If you suspect there is an issue, email [admin@bedalehighschool.org.uk](mailto:admin@bedalehighschool.org.uk) and we will resolve it as soon as we can.



# Exciting Careers Event

## Miss Temple writes:

I am delighted to share with you some information about an exciting careers event taking place 'virtually' for Bedale High School students on Thursday 25th June 2020 at 10.30am.

**This event is open to all students in Key Stage 4 (plus students in Year 8 who will be studying Food Technology next year).**

We are inviting your child to take part in a free online webinar as part of IGD's Feeding Britain's Future (FBF) digital schools programme IGD Feeding Britain's Future were due to attend our school this half term to work with the students in person. However, they are now bringing their free employability skills training to students at home! In the 30 minute webinar your child will:

- Meet professionals from the Food and Grocery Industry and hear from industry professionals LIVE
- Learn about their jobs, the skills they use at work and the impact of Coronavirus on their role
- Take part in fun quizzes
- Learn about opportunities and skills
- Link school subjects with the real work
- Have the chance to ask questions

During the webinar, only the industry presenters will be visible or heard but students can submit written questions.

The parent invitation letter has more information about the webinar as well as explaining how students can access the webinar on the day. Please email [templec@bedalehighschool.org.uk](mailto:templec@bedalehighschool.org.uk) to let me know if your child plans to attend so we can have an idea of numbers prior the event.

## Briefing Items

### STAFFING UPDATE:

Staff changes and recruitment are an unavoidable part of school life, but we are sad to be saying goodbye to 3 valued colleagues at the end of this term:

**Miss Allsop** (Art & Textiles: taking on a new challenge including some 6<sup>th</sup> Form teaching at Northallerton College)

**Miss Cropper** (Drama: moving to be closer to home and family)

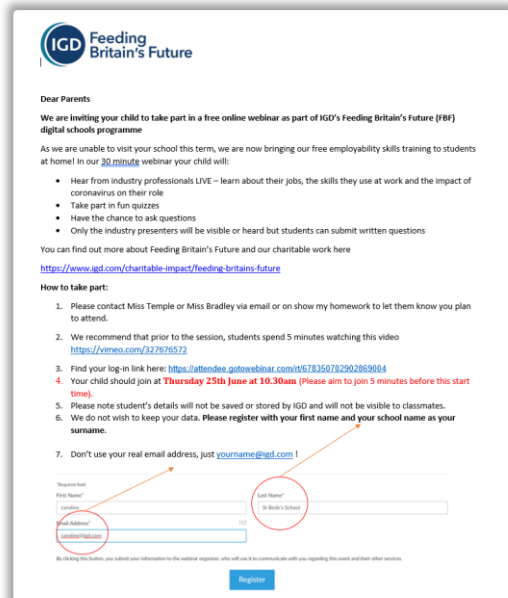
**Mr McMillan** (Pastoral Support Manager: retiring to take up the easy-life his efforts have richly deserved!

**Mrs Freeman** (Pastoral Support Worker: successful in securing a place on a teacher training course)

**Mr Langley** (TA - doing his Master's Course).

Appointments for Mr McMillan's, Mrs Freeman's and Miss Cropper's posts have been secured and once we have confirmed the replacements for Miss Allsop and Mr Langley, we will share this with you.

I will be paying proper tribute to their service in a later issue of this newsletter as we get closer to the end of term.



## Yr 10s – College Support

We would normally be hosting our Work-Ready Week for Year 10 students this half term, when local and national employers and business professionals come into school to work with Year 10s in employment skills workshops. While this cannot happen in our current situation, we are keen to ensure that Year 10s do not miss out on any opportunities. Miss Temple has been contacting them to see what they can offer virtually and will share a key link each week. We will get the ball rolling this week with Askam Bryan's website and video link:

### Further Education Video -

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2POjh\\_ysxh4&feature=youtu.be](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2POjh_ysxh4&feature=youtu.be)

### Website (for further details) -

<https://www.askham-bryan.ac.uk/whats-on/student-recruitment-and-applications>

