

# BHS Update



12.3.21

## Get Help Here...

Form Tutor/Pastoral Team/Miss Bradbury (KS3)/Miss Temple (KS4) for any wellbeing concerns:  
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Subject Teacher: for any subject specific questions around learning tasks  
Yr 11 Exams: Mr Gill [gillm@bedalehighschool.org.uk](mailto:gillm@bedalehighschool.org.uk)  
General Queries: Email: [admin@bedalehighschool.org.uk](mailto:admin@bedalehighschool.org.uk) or call 01677 422419

## Covid Testing Update

Hopefully you have seen some of the fabulous pics on Facebook from our first day of mass asymptomatic testing on Monday. Let's be honest...no school wants to be doing this right now. But I have to say that I was delighted with how it went. Mrs Riley-Fox and her team of parents, governors and staff did a phenomenal job. The students were also brilliant - it's easy to underestimate how daunting a process this may be for some, but they were calm, polite and cheerful throughout.

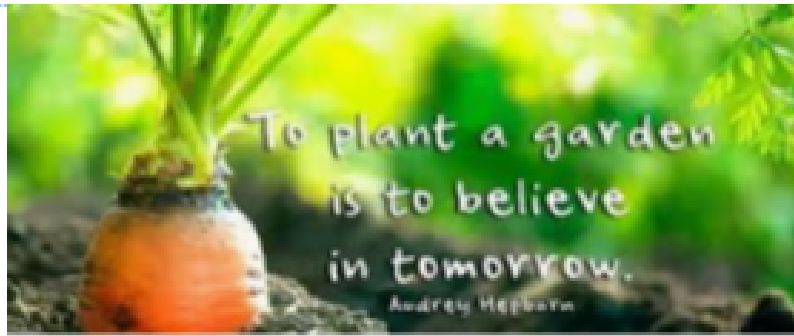
You may have also seen some media coverage around the testing in schools this week. Just in case you have not, I will try to clear up one of the questions that has come up most frequently. If your child tests positive with a test in school, you are no longer required to get an additional PCR test. **However, if you do choose to get the additional test, and it comes back negative, your child (and other members of the household) will still need to self-isolate.** This was not initially clear in the guidance but has since been confirmed by the DfE and the Local Authority. Following our final testing day on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> March, we will be moving to a home-testing model for students as per the DfE guidance. On Tuesday next week, students will be given testing kits to use at home. These will come with full guidance, but parents will also receive a

letter about this at the start of next week, once schools receive confirmation from the DfE about the arrangements.

**But we do know that with these tests, you are required to get a confirmatory PCR test if your child gets a positive result.**



Questions re testing? Email Lynn Riley-Fox: [rileyfl@bedalehighschool.org.uk](mailto:rileyfl@bedalehighschool.org.uk)



## The Big Garden Build!

**After the year we have had, we want to create something really positive for everyone to share**

We are intending to totally refurbish what used to be an allotment at school and build a 'wellbeing garden'. There is so much evidence that gardening and being in nature is beneficial to our mental health and we thought that this year of all years is the right time to create something beautiful in place of the old allotment.

The intention is to create a calm space with beautiful planting where students can find some peace to sit and chat, or to feel more connected with nature. We would also look at running a gardening club to maintain the garden and let it grow in the future (pun intended!).

It is a big project but one that lots of people can come together to make happen. To start with, we need to gauge how much support this would have from our wonderful community — we will need a range of skills and materials. We are looking to finance this project from

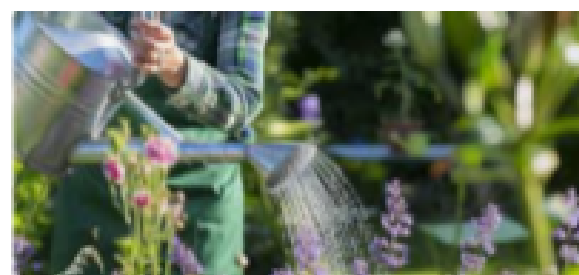
donations and fundraising. So we are looking for volunteers! If you can spare a little time, resources or expertise in order to help create this garden, or if, for example, your business or company might be interested in sponsoring the project, please get in touch.

### We will need:

Paths laying, paving, seating, raised beds building, soil, water collection, gardening equipment and most of all—plants.

If you feel that you could donate any of these, or that you could do a little fundraising or would like to be part of the build team, please contact the school office or Mrs Hall

[hallf@bedalehighschool.org.uk](mailto:hallf@bedalehighschool.org.uk)



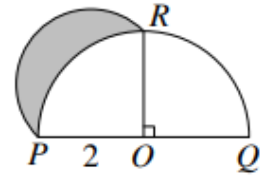
## Maths Challenge Legends

The UKMT Intermediate Maths challenge took place during the school closure period but that was never going to stop us from entering! We were delighted to be able to enter 9 eager students from Years 9, 10 and 11 and they certainly made us proud. Congratulations to Lucy Shirt in Yr 11 who achieved a silver award, - she thrived against some really tough competition. Other winners were Michaela Pampalou and Alfie Hird who both achieved a bronze award, meaning they were in the top 40% of all students who entered nationally! The other 6 participants should also be proud of their dedication to the subject as they had to complete the challenge in their own homes under unusual circumstances. These were: Charlie Clarke, Josh Kennedy, Ellie-Kaye Macarthur, Dillon Pybus, Dan Simpson and Hannah Wilson.

We are now beginning to collect names for the Year 7 and 8 Junior Challenge in April.

If you think you could do it...have a go at one of the questions from the competition (copied here!):

23. The diagram shows a semicircle with centre  $O$  and radius 2 and a semicircular arc with diameter  $PR$ . Angle  $POR$  is a right angle. What is the area of the shaded region?



A  $\pi - 2$

B 2

C  $\pi$

D 3

E  $2\pi - 2$



## Laptops

We still have a small number of laptops that were allocated to the school from the Department for Education.

If any parents are still struggling to ensure that their children have an appropriate device at home to access work on Satchel One/ ShowMyHomework, please contact Alison Knight [knigha@bedalehighschool.org.uk](mailto:knigha@bedalehighschool.org.uk).



## Uniform Reminder

We know that some students have outgrown uniform during the closure period. But I hope that parents also understand that we cannot just write off the rest of this year in terms of our uniform standards. The link to our school uniform provider can be found here along with a reminder of our uniform expectations: <https://bedalehighschool.org.uk/about-us/school-uniform/> .

If parents are looking for cheaper alternatives, they may wish to try the Old School Uniform website here: <https://www.oldschooluniform.co.uk/>

Or you can contact Andy Collinson, our Pastoral Support Manager to see what spare items we hold in school that you may be able to borrow to tide you over until the summer holidays: [collinsona@bedalehighschool.org.uk](mailto:collinsona@bedalehighschool.org.uk) .

We also have a small number of students persistently wearing trainers instead of school shoes and we ask for parents to support us in resolving these issues as soon as possible.

## Year 11 Update

Mr Gill held an assembly this week with Year 11 students to explain how their grades will be awarded this summer. We intend to use a 'basket of evidence' for each subject area. In other words, grades will be based on a number of key indicators: performance in PPE1, coursework, NEA work, in-class mini assessments and their forthcoming PPE2. Each subject area is sharing guidance with the students on exactly what they need to be revising and working on, and students are not going to be tested on any 'new' or untaught content.

Attached to this letter are two key documents:

- The additional revision sessions timetable which includes the programme of revision sessions that teachers are putting on over the Easter holiday
- The PPE2 timetable

If you or your child have any further questions around this, please email Mr Gill: [gillm@bedalehighschool.org.uk](mailto:gillm@bedalehighschool.org.uk) .

Year 11 PPE timetable – May 2021

| Date                           | Subjects                                              | Start time 9am                                                          | Start time 11.30am |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> May    | Mathematics                                           | Maths Paper 1 - 9.00-10.30 (90 mins)                                    |                    |
| Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> May   | Triple Biology<br>Double Biology<br>French and German | Triple Biology – 9.00-10.00<br>Double Biology - 9.00-10.00              |                    |
| Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> May | English Literature<br>Information Technology          | English Lit Christmas Carol & Insp. (105 mins)                          |                    |
| Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> May  | Physical Education<br>History                         | Physical Education Paper 1 – 9.00-10.00<br>Drama – 9.00-10.00 (75 mins) |                    |
| Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> May    | Drama<br>Triple Chemistry<br>Double Chemistry         | Maths Paper 2 – 9.00-10.00 (90 mins)                                    |                    |
| Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> May    | Mathematics<br>Computer Science                       | Triple Physics – 9.00-10.00<br>Double Physics – 9.00-10.00              |                    |
| Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> May   | Triple Physics<br>Double Physics<br>French and German | Art – All day (Art & Textiles)                                          |                    |
| Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> May | Art                                                   | Media – 9.00-10.30                                                      |                    |
| Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> May  | Media<br>Food                                         | Textiles – All day (Art & Textiles)                                     |                    |
| Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> May    | Textiles                                              | Mathematics – 9.00-10.00 (90 mins)                                      |                    |
| Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> May    | Mathematics<br>Music                                  | Geography Paper 1 – 9.00-10.00                                          |                    |
| Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> May   | Geography<br>Design & Technology                      | History – Conflict in Asia (60 mins)                                    |                    |
| Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> May | History<br>Physical Education                         | English Language – 9.00-10.00                                           |                    |
| Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> May  | English Language                                      | Citizenship Paper 1 – 9.00-10.00                                        |                    |
| Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> May    | Citizenship                                           |                                                                         |                    |

\*MFL speaking exams will be during the w/c 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2021 and students will be given individual times.  
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Year 11 revision sessions March – May 2021

Weekly sessions straight after school in subject rooms

| Day                 | Subject                    | Time                | Staff                              |
|---------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|
| Monday              | Drama                      | 15.15-16.15         | LWO (53)                           |
| Monday              | Maths                      | 15.15-16.15         | All Maths staff (17,18,19,20)      |
| Tuesday             | Science (Higher)           | 15.15-16.15         | All Science staff (3,4,6,7,28)     |
| Tuesday             | Science (foundation)       | 15.15-16.15         | All Science staff (3,4,6,7,28)     |
| Tuesday             | Food                       | 15.15-16.15         | ABR (27)                           |
| Tuesday             | Design and Tech (NEA only) | 15.15-16.15         | SCH (52)                           |
| Tuesday & Wednesday | Music                      | 15.15-16.15         | ELU (42)                           |
| Tuesday & Wednesday | Physical Education         | 15.15-16.15         | JB1 (43)                           |
| Wednesday           | Citizenship (Drop in)      | 13.30-14.00 (lunch) | ACE (40)                           |
| Wednesday           | Science Triple             | 8.45-9.00           | LMC (7)                            |
| Wednesday           | English                    | 15.15-16.15         | All English staff (21, 22, 23, 24) |
| Thursday            | History - Medicine         | 15.15-16.15         | RH (1)                             |
| Thursday            | Art                        | 15.15-16.15         | PAC (51)                           |
| Thursday            | Textiles                   | 15.15-16.15         | PAC (51)                           |
| Thursday            | French & German            | 15.15-16.15         | CWI/BMC (10,12)                    |
| Friday              | History – Asia             | 15.15-16.15         | MGI (09)                           |
| Friday              | Geography (Drop in)        | 13.30-14.00 (lunch) | ACE (40)                           |