



HEATHLANDS

Nursery, Primary and Secondary Provision, Day & Residential
BSL Training & Resource Centre



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the summer term, we hope you have all had a safe and restful two week break.

Covid changes

Guidance has now changed and schools are no longer receiving free Lateral Flow test kits (LFTs). Students and staff no longer need to test twice per week. However, if your child feels unwell with Covid symptoms, they need to remain at home and order a PCR test.

If the PCR test is positive, children will need to isolate for three days before returning to school. They can only return to school if they are no longer feeling unwell or have Covid symptoms. Children who have tested positive for Covid will have access to remote learning, this will be via Google Classroom for Upper school students and work emailed home by Lower school teachers. Zoom teaching will no longer be operational unless in exceptional circumstances.

If there appears to be a number of staff and students becoming unwell the LA Covid guidance team may request for mass testing to identify any asymptomatic cases.

Boiler works

For those parents who have come on site, they will have seen the trenches and workmen across Heathlands' site! We are currently in the process of having new boilers fitted which will be more efficient as well as economical.

This term

We now look forward to a very busy summer term at Heathlands. Year 11 and 12 students have started back straight into their mock exams in preparation for their final summer examinations! We look forward to celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee as well as our own summer fete on Saturday 9th July 2022- put this date into your diaries now! We are also pleased to have a fantastic speaker, Dr Kate Rowley coming to Heathlands on Saturday 21st May 2022 to talk to parents about the importance of language with deaf children. This is a hybrid event taking place in person and online so do book your place as spaces are limited.

Information on events will be coming via emails and with students to keep you informed. Please speak to your child's class/form tutor in the first instance if you have any queries.

With best wishes,

Sarah Shields and Lesley Reeves Costi
Co-Headteachers