

Parental Communication & Engagement



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Message from Head Teacher

I am very pleased to report that our student applications for Year 7 to the school for 2021 are exceptionally high which, of course means a very secure future for the school. We are pleased that so many parents/carers are choosing Dormston as their first preference and we are already looking forward to and planning for our new intake.

On Tuesday all of our students explored various topics in their PSHE lessons during Periods 3 & 4. These included; Year 7 - Friendship, Anti-Bullying & Diversity, Year 8 - Children's Rights and Responsibilities, Year 9 - Diversity and Global Citizenship, Year 10 - Sex & Relationship Education and Year 11 - Health, Wellbeing & Study Skills.

I hope that all students who are isolating at home are sticking to their timetables and accessing both GO4Schools and the dual live lessons. This will ensure that students do not miss out on valuable learning. We are starting to offer some on-line live revision lessons for Year 11 in both English and Maths and students will be invited into these.

Year 11 Mocks will begin W/C 7 December 2020. The most important thing to remember is our number one core value which is to always try your best. I wish all of our Year 11s good luck for these examinations.

Just to remind you that we are also closed for INSET on Monday 30 November 2020. Students should return to school on Tuesday 1 December 2020.

Head Teacher

Letters Sent Out Recently

ALL letters are now emailed home, hard copies are ONLY provided for 'Reply Slip' Letters. *Selected student only letters are given out to your child by hand or are posted directly home. The criterion for 'selected student only' opportunities are based on various factors depending on the trip and its focus. Unfortunately, we are unable to allow every student the opportunity to be involved with every activity which we understand sometimes causes disappointment. If you require more details about the selection process for any opportunity please contact the event organiser.

- ALL Parents/Carers - COVID-19 Update Letter - November 2020;
- Year 11 Parents/Carers - GCSE Update Letter - November 2020;
- Year 7 Parents/Carers -Target Grades Letter - November 2020.

Events

- Monday 30 November 2020 - School Closed for INSET

General Reminders & Updates

Face Masks

As you will be aware face masks are **compulsory in all corridors and communal areas** at Dormston School. We recently provided all students with a washable face mask as part of their school uniform. We understand that some parents/carers may wish to purchase **additional** face masks. These can be paid for via our ParentPay system. If you require any additional masks please send an email request to churst@dormston.dudley.sch.uk. Please note that we recommend that you wash your child's face mask as regularly as possible and put their name inside it.