



Armthorpe Academy

Enriching Lives, Inspiring Ambitions

23rd January 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

COVID Update

You will be aware that government guidance has been updated this week. Face coverings are no longer required in classrooms but are advised in communal areas until the 27th January. Given we still have 10% of the student body absent with COVID and several members of staff, it is imperative staff and students continue to test twice weekly. If your child does test positive, please follow the guidance below:

- If students test positive on a lateral flow test with no symptoms, then there is no longer a need to go for a PCR, but they must self-isolate for 7 days. If students test positive with symptoms, then a PCR test should be booked.
- If lateral flow tests are negative on Day 5 and 6, then isolation can be ended on Day 7 and students can return to school.
- If lateral flow tests remain positive, keep testing every 24 hours until two consecutive negative tests are evident.
- If students are still positive on Day 14 or have still have a temperature, they must continue to isolate.

If you are in doubt as to whether your child should return to school, please email Mrs Whiteley (alison.whiteley@consilium-at.com), Business Support Officer, for advice.

Year 11 Next Steps to aid exam preparation

All **Year 11** students will receive 'next steps' subject guides on Friday 28th. This is an additional source of support discussed in last week's newsletter. Year 11 have been working very well independently in school, but this must be supplemented with revision at home. Please discuss bespoke packs with your child; you can support revision by ensuring they are working on the 'next steps' rather than areas they are already comfortable with. Please be aware that due to staff absence (COVID), there may be some subjects missing. Students will be given 'next step' guides as soon as staff are well enough to return to school.

KS3 reports

Academic reports for students in **Years 7, 8 and 9** will be emailed to all parent/carers this week. To support the options process for **Year 9**, the leadership team will be starting some careers work with the year group so they have a greater understanding of Post-16 opportunities. At this stage, we will not be looking at specific subject choices, but more about what different routes are available to the world of employment and what qualifications are required to get there. The process of informing and educating parent/carers and students about subject choices will begin after February half term and culminate with a 1:1 meeting with each family in March.

Next week's menu

As you are aware, we are working hard to improve the nutritional value of food offered in our canteen. Moving forward, the menu will be published for each week with the newsletter (see below), so you are aware of the options for your child in school.

Kind regards

Claire Robbins
Headteacher

Menu: Week Beginning 24.01.22

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Meal 1	Beef Chilli and Wedges	Chicken Curry and Rice	Pasta Carbonara	Lasagne	Chicken Nuggets
Main Meal 2	Chicken Casserole and Dumplings	Jumbo Sausage in a Baguette	Roast Pork Sandwich	Chicken Wrap	Fish Bites
Vegetarian	Quorn Chilli and Wedges	Frittata	Quorn Sausage Hot Dog	Thai Vegetable Curry and Rice	Vegetable Nuggets
Bread (Daily)	Wholemeal Roll	Naan	Garlic	Garlic	Sliced White
Carbohydrate	Wedges Dumplings	Rice Baguette	Pasta Roll	Pasta Rice	Chips
Vegetables	Green beans	Peas	Mixed Veg	Carrots	Mushy Peas
Salad	Boxed Salad to Order	Boxed Salad to Order	Boxed Salad to Order	Boxed Salad to Order	Boxed Salad to Order
Hot Jacket Potato	Beans, Cheese, Tuna				
Hot Dessert and Custard	Choc Orange Sponge	Marble Sponge	Treacle Sponge	Sticky Toffee Pudding	Pink Sponge
Cold Dessert	Fruit Pot Fresh Fruit	Fruit Pot Fresh Fruit	Fruit Pot Fresh Fruit	Fruit Pot Fresh Fruit	Fruit Pot Fresh Fruit
	Fruit Granola Pot	Fruit Granola Pot	Fruit Granola Pot	Fruit Granola Pot	Fruit Granola Pot
	Yoghurt	Yoghurt	Yoghurt	Yoghurt	Yoghurt
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