

WEEK COMMENCING 01 NOVEMBER 2021



SET  
SAXMUNDHAM  
SCHOOL

# FAMILY BULLETIN

welcome back!



We hope the half term break has offered our everyone the opportunity to relax, rest and recharge.

Over the next two weeks, our Year 11 students will continue with their mock GCSE examination series. We wish them every success with their assessments and feel confident that they will use this period of exams to test their own learning and progress; seeing it as an opportunity to further develop their understanding and focus. Please reassure students that their teachers are here to support them and available to offer further guidance as needed.

On the following page is an update to our Covid-19 safety measures. We continue to keep a close eye on the latest Government guidelines and will keep you regularly updated.

Have a great week.

Christina Watson  
Head of School



# COVID-19 protocols

Our continued thanks go to all staff, students and families for your support in following the protocols in place to maximise COVID-19 safety in our schools and wider communities. In-line with information shared prior to half term and Suffolk County Council guidance, current arrangements in school are as below with the next review point Monday 15 November.

## TESTING

Lateral Flow testing is to continue, with students and staff strongly recommended to test regularly each week. We encourage everyone to test before the return to school on a Monday and again on a Thursday or Friday morning.

## FACEMASKS

Unless exempt, students are to wear facemasks in communal indoor areas, classrooms and on transport, with staff doing the same in communal indoor areas and in classrooms if preferred. Essential external visitors to the school site will be expected to wear facemasks at all times.

## HAND SANITISING

Students and staff to sanitise hands on arrival at school and at the start / end of each lesson.

## VENTILATION

As previously, windows and doors will be kept open across the school. With the incoming colder weather conditions, the wearing of SET Saxmundham red hoodies underneath blazers will be allowed for the second half of the Michaelmas term. Students may wear suitable short sleeved white layers or thermal items underneath their school shirt, until further notice. No other hoodies or sweatshirts may be worn in school, and coats may not be worn in classrooms or when moving around the school.

## YEAR GROUPS

Students will continue to maximise time in their year groups or key stage groups such as when eating, indoor social times including wet breaks and assemblies.

For further queries or support, please click [here](#) to view the most recent full Government guidance, updated 11 October 2021,

Congratulations to Mr Mynott on the arrival of a healthy baby girl!

Mr Mynott is currently on paternity leave but will be back in school in two weeks time.



# diary dates!

## Michaelmas Term 2021:

Year 11 Mock Exams - Monday 1 November - Friday 12 November  
Transition Morning : History Hallowe'en (Year 3) - Wednesday 3 November, 9am - 10:30am  
Transition Morning : History Hallowe'en (Years 4 & 5) - Friday 5 November, 9am - 10:30am  
Remembrance events - Friday 11 November  
Cross-trust Winter Games - Friday 19 November  
PSHE Day - Friday 26 November  
Kitchens of the Globe : Year 8 parents and carers - Tuesday 30 November, 12:30pm  
Year 11 Progress Evening - Thursday 2 December, 6:30pm  
Parents' and Carers' Open Forum - Tuesday 7 December, 9:30am - 10:30am  
Achievement Evening - Wednesday 8 December  
Christmas Fair - Friday 10 December  
Christmas Lunch - Tuesday 14 December  
Christmas enrichment events - Wednesday 15 December  
Celebration Assembly and last day of term - Thursday 16 December

## **Christmas Break - Friday 17 December to Wednesday 5 January**

## Lent Term 2022:

Staff development day - Tuesday 4 January  
Lent term begins - Wednesday 5 January  
Year 7 Progress Evening - Thursday 13 January, 6pm  
Year 9 GCSE Information Evening - Wednesday 19 December, 6pm  
Year 9 Options Assembly : Teacher Presentations - Friday 21 January  
Parents' and Carers' Open Forum - Tuesday 25 January, 9:30am - 10:30am  
Kitchens of the Globe : Year 9 Parents and Carers  
Year 9 Options Assembly : Year 10 Presentations - Friday 28 January  
Year 9 Options Interviews - Monday 31 January  
Year 9 Options Deadline - Monday 14 February  
PSHE Day 2 with Celebration Assembly - Friday 18 February

## **Half Term - Monday 21 February - Friday 25 February**