

Friday 30th April 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope this finds you and your family safe and well. Just a handful of updates this week...

Uniform

Just a reminder that from Tuesday 4th May, pupils will not be allowed to wear outdoor coats inside school. While some classrooms are still a little chilly at times, they are not cold as they were in the winter. Pupils can wear additional layers (see yellow sections) to ensure they are warm enough.

Year 7	Years 8 and 9	Years 10 and 11
Non-PE day		
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PE day		
Normal PE kit: Royal blue games polo shirt with Hyde logo Trainers (appropriate for PE and different to school shoes) One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Black shorts with Hyde logo (girls and boys) • Black tracksuit bottoms with Hyde logo (girls and boys) • Black skorts with Hyde logo (girls only) • Black leggings with Hyde logo (girls only) 		
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We have had a handful of pupils wearing a hoodie with no T-shirt underneath and this is not acceptable, hoodies worn around school must be **in addition to normal uniform** and not instead of it.

Our rules relating to jewellery have not changed and from Tuesday 5th May, **jewellery worn in school will be confiscated.**

Potential uniform supply issues

We have been informed by Monkhouse (one of our uniform suppliers) that there is some disruption within the industry's supply chain this year. They have advised that they will let us know by the end of May if supplies will be disrupted for 'back to school' in September and I will let you know immediately if this is the case.

Face masks

Government guidance still states that pupils must wear face masks at all times in school unless they are medically exempt or involved in a practical activity such as PE. I am hugely grateful to all those parents who ensure that their child comes to school every day with a plain face mask and, of course, we will provide a spare for any pupil who occasionally forgets or whose mask breaks. There are a small number of pupils however, who regularly arrive at school without a mask and we will now contact relevant parents so that they are aware and can support us in this matter.

Lateral flow testing at home

Staff and pupils are still expected to carry out a lateral flow test at home twice each week. Please continue to support this initiative to identify any asymptomatic pupils and to protect our school community from having to send bubbles home. Your help with this is very much appreciated, thank you!

Mental health and wellbeing

Some of our pupils have found the last 15 months quite difficult to deal with and we would encourage any parents/carers with concerns about their child's wellbeing to talk to us. Our helpline is still checked regularly so parents and pupils are welcome to email help@hydehighschool.uk to flag up a problem. We also have materials on our school website with information for parents and carers about supporting good mental health and wellbeing; these can be found [here](#). As always, we are here to help if we can.

Special Mention

Well done to Aneeqah, Neave, Samira and Aaliyah who took part in the University of Manchester Stock Market Challenge!

Monday 3rd May is a Bank Holiday and so school will reopen on Tuesday morning. I wish all of our pupils and families a lovely long weekend.

Best wishes, keep safe.



Andrea Radcliffe

Headteacher