

## Head of School's Weekly Update 12 February 2021

### FROM THE HEAD

The 8th March 2021 is the earliest that schools can expect to return to full capacity. We are still unclear about our full return date and, in the meantime, students should continue to attend and engage in remote lessons as they have been doing. It is our understanding that we will be given at least two weeks' notice to prepare for our return to face-to-face education. We remain open to vulnerable children and the children of key workers after February half-term. All other students will continue to receive quality remote education at home. As soon as we receive further clarification we will let you know.

We have continued to be impressed with the resilience of our students and their engagement with their learning. Well done and thank you to everyone for your support over the last few weeks.

Have a relaxing and safe break next week.

### SAFEGUARDING



Safer Internet Day was celebrated on Tuesday 9th February which was all about exploring the reliability of the online world. Students' LIFE lesson focussed on how reliable the internet is, how to spot fake news and how to keep themselves safe. For further information, advice and guidance about keeping your child safe online, please refer to the newsletter which was shared with you on Tuesday and can also be found [here](#).

### SIXTH FORM NEWS

Over the last two weeks a small team has interviewed over 100 potential sixth form students. Thank you to all the students and parents who have taken part in these discussions. If you still wish to put an application into Sixth Form please complete the application form on the website.

### SIXTH FORM TASTER DAY

Our Sixth Form Taster Day took place today. We have had a fantastic uptake with 97% attendance. Feedback has been very positive, *'I wasn't sure what I wanted to do, this has given me a real insight into what the subjects are actually like to study,'* Jack.

*'I loved seeing what our new Sixth Form block will look like,'* Evie.

Miss Robson, Year 11 Manager said, *'We have had four different options going today and we've had great feedback across the board'*

Mrs Redpath, Head of Sixth Form said. *'Today has been very different to our usual Taster Day but it has been wonderful. Students have been able to try out many more subjects than usual which has been a great benefit to them.'*

If there are any further sixth form questions please email Mrs Redpath on [redpath.k@northallertonschool.org.uk](mailto:redpath.k@northallertonschool.org.uk).

### HOUSE CHALLENGE - MEGA MARATHON

A great start with the Mega Marathon House Challenge which is encouraging students to increase the amount of physical activity they are undertaking, to improve wellbeing. Week one totals are in:

- **Boakes: 982 miles (37 marathons)**
- **Chapman: 480 miles (18 marathons)**
- **Cowell: 772 miles (29 marathons)**
- **Radcliffe: 1085 miles (41 marathons)**

Well done to Radcliffe House on such a strong start and to everyone who took part. Next collection point is Monday 22nd February, which will include the distance covered between 08/02 to 21/02.

### **DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD**

The deadline for applications for the DofE Silver for our Year 12 students closes this Friday (12th). Students who applied will be receiving information in the week after the half term break. A gentle reminder to Year 11 students who are undertaking the DofE Bronze Award to have their skill, physical and volunteering sections completed by Friday 26th February.

### **SHORT STORY CLUB**

Students have completed a selection of their own 'mini-fictions' (stories of 100 words or less) which will be displayed for your enjoyment via the school's Facebook page - enjoy!

### **ACCELERATED READER**

Accelerated Reader is a software tool for encouraging reading for pleasure and raising literacy standards. During lockdown reading is a great way to escape the stresses and strains of this very difficult time. It's also really enjoyable!

### **How to keep reading during school closure**

Unfortunately, students are not currently able to visit the school library but we are providing many other ways to access reading material. If you would like to request a book (or more than one!) from the school library please email [Brayshaw.c@northallertonschool.org.uk](mailto:Brayshaw.c@northallertonschool.org.uk) You will need to collect them from the visitors' reception. We have subscribed to an online digital library, [www.myon.co.uk](http://www.myon.co.uk), which is linked to Accelerated Reader. A student's username is the same as their username for the school network and the

password is 'abc'. There are links to the Accelerated Reader quizzes too.

Students are welcome to read their own books. To ensure they have a book at the correct level of difficulty please use the website: [www.arbookfind.co.uk](http://www.arbookfind.co.uk)

E-books are available through NYCC library services. Subscription is free of charge. Use the website [www.northyorks.gov.uk/join-the-library](http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/join-the-library) if you are not a member.

It's very important for students to take a comprehension quiz once they have finished reading their book. Their answers are immediately marked so students see at once how well they have done and teachers can check on the progress being made. Website: <https://ukhosted34.renlearn.co.uk/1946474/> usernames and password are the same as for MyOn.

### **LOANED DEVICES**

Just a reminder that if any student is struggling with IT or having to share a device with a parent or sibling, then we can help.

We have access to a number of chromebooks that we are able to loan to students who may be struggling to access their live lessons.

Please contact your child's Head of Year in the first instance.

## **HAVE A RELAXING SAFE HALF TERM**

We have seen phenomenal energy, commitment and effort from all of our students during what has been an incredibly difficult period for us all. As a school, we are really proud of them for adapting to the challenges that 'lockdown' has brought, and for their perseverance and resilience during what have been a very difficult time.

Thank you to all of our students and we hope that you have a very restful half term break!

The following students have been selected for a special 'shout out' for having outstanding attendance to online lessons and/or for their extraordinary commitment and effort towards their learning. A huge well done to you all.

<b>Year 7</b>	Max H	Connor V	Ben G	<b>Year 9</b>	Aidan L
Liam A	Isobel I	Rosa V	Alex G	Sam A	Aaron M
Yasmen A	Will I	Freya V	Jonny H	Connor B	George M
Annabelle B	Max J	Leon W	Amelie H	Leilah B	Ollie M
Lucas B	Luke J	Brooke W	Ettie H	Stephen BK	Alice M
John B	Joshua K	Arthur W	Alfie H	Vicky B	Lilly M
Somer B	Max K	Essie-May W	Jonathon H	Ruby B	Taylor M
Olivia B	Imogen K	Olivia W	Abbie H	Miles B	Isaac M
Oliver B	Layla K	Ellie W	Kay H	Abbie B	Dawn NJ
Luke B	Aaron K	Millie W	Freddie H	Katie B	Jessica O
Lily C	Henry K	Ollie W	Sophie H	Riley B	Emma P
Jackson D	Thomas K	Esme W	Ewan K	Abigail B	Naomi P
Tyron D	Maia L	Seren W	Georgina K	Izzy B	Annabel P
Megan D	Harriet L	Samuel W	Brogan K	Elizabeth C	
Con D	Beth L	Alfie W	Alex Mc	Flynn C	Anna PP
Maddie D	Will L	Sydney W	Amber Mc	Connie C	Kasia R
James D	Liliana L	Jack W	Cole Mc	Keiran C	Jack R
Reece D	Chloe M	Ruby W	Gvidas Mc	Harry D	Flomie R
Jessica D	Thomas M	Lily-Rose W	Holly N	Larissa F	Madeleine R
Patrick D	Liam M	Jasmine W	Alice P	Magnus G	David R
Billy D	Cassidy M		Charlie P	Sam G	Lottie R
Kate E	Will M	<b>Year 8</b>	Jamie P	Riley G	Talika R
Brooke F	Jack M	Franav A	Sadie P	Prue G	Lucy S
Bobbie F	Ewan Mc	Kaiden A	Hazel P	Zach H	Talitha SF
Lacey FS	Keaton N	Danny A	Evie R	Holly H	Lilia S
Alex G	Sophia N	Edward B	Elise R	Ruby I	Phoebe S
Joe G	Aaron N	Zachary B	Sophie R	Olivia JB	Kenzie S
Leo G	Isabella P	Ebony B	Will R	Aimee JB	Katie S
Millie H	Jorgina P	Lily B	Cameron R	Niamh JB	Katie T
Max H	Jayden P	Leah B	William S	Ashleigh K	Miles V
James H	Evie P	Megan B	Emily S	Antjoms K	Scarlett W
Philippa H	Maja R	Archie C	Frankie S		
Iyla H	Coney R	Harry C	Maddi S		
Olivia H	Bea R	Logan C	Callum S		
Emma H	Will R	Brook C	George S		
Thor H	Joshua S	Harrison C	Natalia S-J		
Toby H	Owen S	Lexie D	Tabitha T		
Kate H	Heidi S	Eliza D	Milly T		
Cameron H	Matti S	Harris D	Aisha T		
Sophie H	Aiden T	Will D	Joseph W		
Cherrie H	Alice T	Felix D	Riley W		
Cayleigh H	Matthew T	Joe F	Alfie W		
Sophie H	Evie T	Chloe G	Ella W		
		Isla G			



**Year 9**  
**Continued..**

Anna W  
Matty WH  
Colby W  
Angus WM  
Seren W  
Phoebe W  
Noah W  
Alex W  
Helen W  
Izzy W  
Josh W  
Ezmenee W

**Year 10**

Ami A  
Maggie A  
Caleb A  
Katie A  
Ellie A  
Grace B  
Freya B  
Gerrard B  
Tom B  
Robbie B  
Chloe B  
Isabelle B  
Lily C  
Rimini C  
Jake CE  
Matthew C

Ellie C  
Dylan C  
Connie D  
Taylor D  
Matilda D  
Oliver EW  
Harrison G  
Oli H  
Emma H  
Ruth H  
Scarlet H  
Lucie H  
Josh J  
Louise J  
Amelia J  
Zainab K  
Frankie K  
Emma K  
Jacob K  
Matthew L  
Jack MB  
Esther MB  
Daria MB  
Charlie MB  
Holly MB  
Jack O  
Jamie P  
Daisy P  
Lewis P  
Chloe P  
Samuel R  
Phoebe RS  
Lucy R

Jemma R  
Grace S  
Holly S  
Chloe S  
Aaron S  
Beth S  
Henry S  
Hattie W  
Holly W  
Ethan W  
Joe W  
Millie W  
Becksy W  
Leah W  
Sophie W  
James W

**Year 11**

Noah A  
Ben A  
Charlotte B  
Ellie B  
Lois B  
Thomas B  
Seth B  
Alex B  
Joshua C  
Chloe C  
Joey D  
Sam E  
Evie F  
Toby G  
Freya G

Lucy G  
Melodie G  
Daisy G  
Jennifer H  
William H  
Rose H  
Emily H  
Emily H  
Ben H  
Owyn J  
Jorja J  
Lillie K  
Daniel K  
Jack L  
Logun L  
Glenn M  
Robert M  
Yasmin M  
Cameron M  
Harvey Mc  
Kirsty M  
Lily M  
Lewis M  
Casey M  
Will M  
Mary-Jane N  
Amy N  
Amy P  
Bailey P  
Sam P  
Savannah P  
Charlie P  
Dawid R

Abby R  
Luke R  
Harry R  
James S  
Bradley S  
Hollie S  
Emelia S  
Ruby S  
Jess T  
Joe T  
Jack W  
Katie W  
Noah W  
Lucy W  
Eleanor W  
Sarah W  
Lucy W  
Amelia W  
Brogan W  
Adam W

**HAVE A GREAT  
HALF TERM!**