

## Next Week - Week 1

### COVID-19 Vaccinations

Parents of students aged 12-15 have been contacted regarding the opt-in vaccinations that the School-Age Immunisation Service are offering next Wednesday. Please do make sure that you have discussed the vaccination, and whether you have consented or not, with your child in advance of Wednesday. Please note that students receiving the vaccination should wear a mask for their appointment.

**Covid Flow Chart** - please see the [attached flowchart](#) which summarises simply how attendance works should you have Covid symptoms.

### Year 10 Parent Information Evening

Please see the [slides](#) and [presentation](#) from Miss Hannan and Mr Khalil, shared with Y10 parents earlier today.

### Berkhamsted Great Big Green Week

Berkhamsted Great Big Green week runs from 18th - 26th September and is a celebration of action on climate change. There are many exciting events taking place in and around Berkhamsted; for a full guide, please click [here](#).

### Open Events

Open Mornings for parents of children in Year 6 who live in the parishes of Berkhamsted and Northchurch are scheduled throughout October. Please visit the [school website](#) for more information and booking form.

### Safeguarding

1. **Personal safety:** Students have been reminded this week of the importance of being aware of their surroundings and personal safety when travelling to and from school. Where possible they should always walk on main routes, and in small groups, ensuring that they can hear traffic and what is around them even if they are on their phone/listening to music
2. We have been talking to Years 7-11 in assembly this week about **Harmful Sexualised Behaviours**, and how to ensure that interactions, language and actions do not demean or make others feel uncomfortable, as well as how to ask for help if they feel uncomfortable. Parents can listen to a **podcast from Dr Kathy Weston** [here](#) outlining the key things that parents and schools should do to cultivate open and honest discussion around issues of sexual harassment, sexting and predatory behaviour online. Any parental concerns should be raised with a member of our safeguarding team, via an email to [admin@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk) with the word 'Safeguarding' in the subject title.
3. Everyone has different **eating habits**. But if you're worried about your child's relationship with food or their body, it might be worth looking for some support. **Action for Children** have produced a [guide for parents](#) who are concerned their child's eating habits might be negatively affecting their everyday life; it can be helpful to know the signs and what to do if you're worried about your child.

### Key Dates

- The Year 8 Information Evening will be pre-recorded for parents and sent out next Friday
- Tues 28 Sept: Y7 Information Evening - this will be on site
- Thurs 30 Sept: Y13 Parent-Teacher Consultation Evening (online)
- Fri 8 Oct: INSET - school closed to students

### Teacher Training

If you have ever thought of becoming a teacher, Tring School is holding a teacher training taster event on 14th October. Click [here](#) for more information.

### Music Lessons

The majority of music lessons have begun. The timetables are posted on Google Classroom (class code nq4d5yw); they are also up on the Music block notice board.

You can register for music lessons via [their website](#). Should you wish to stop lessons at the end of the Autumn Term or make any changes to lessons please notify [schoolsdirectinvoicing@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:schoolsdirectinvoicing@hertfordshire.gov.uk) by Monday 11th October.

Any queries regarding music lessons please email [musictuition@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk](mailto:musictuition@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk)

### ASA

#### Halloween Disco Y7 & Y8 - 15 October

The Halloween disco is back at last. Get your creepiest

## Uniform

A polite reminder that students should only be wearing black socks with trousers (not white PE socks); skirts can be worn with unpatterned tights or ankle socks (black or white), not knee-length socks. Leggings are not permitted. Full details can be found online [here](#).

## Year 11

Session 6, our supervised study session for Year 11 students, started on Monday this week and we have been delighted with the response by our Year 11s. The LRC has been busy every day with students working on revision and home learning for a range of subjects. Please do encourage Year 11 students to attend; it runs Monday-Thursday from 3.20-4.20. This is an ideal opportunity for students to complete an hour of revision before they leave and reduce their workload in the evenings

costumes ready for a spooktacular evening on Friday 15 October. More details to follow.

## CRAFT FAIR - Sunday 21st November - 11am to 4pm

The Craft Fair returns this term and we can't wait to welcome you to this, one of the biggest local fairs and a great fundraiser. There'll be quality, locally produced, handmade artisan products and gifts, plus a Cafe. More info will follow in the lead up to the event, but if you are a parent, carer or teacher who would like to exhibit at the fair, please send an email request to join the waiting list with a confirmation of whether you require a large table (10-12ft) or small table (6-8ft) and/or electricity, which will help us to see if we have availability. Email: [craftfair@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk](mailto:craftfair@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk) and follow our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/ashlynscraftfair>