

King's Leadership Academy Bolton



KING'S LEADERSHIP
ACADEMY BOLTON

Weekly Parent Briefing 11/09/20

Today marks the end of our first full week back and the end of our ASPIRE boot camp. During the last two weeks students have been learning about our core values of ASPIRE and how they can help them become successful citizens. Each student has shown amazing resilience and maturity in dealing with the changes to school life, they are a credit to their families and this community. On Monday we start our Academic boot camp where we prepare students by covering content missed during the lockdown. These two weeks will ensure the students are well placed to succeed when we start new topics from the end of September.

Please find below some key advice about COVID-19 and how you can assist in keeping our community safe as well as important information regarding next week at King's.

COVID-19

As I spoke about last week the school is working hard to keep all our students, staff and the local community safe at this time. Parents have an important part to play during this time. May I remind you if you suspect your child of having any symptoms of COVID (listed below), however mild, please do not send them to school and contact their Head of Year. Then use the NHS's COVID helpline to book a test. Your child will not be allowed to return to school until we have confirmation of a negative result.

If your child has to self-isolate work will be provided for them each day so they do not miss any further education, their Head of Year will contact you with the details.

Common COVID symptoms include

- persistent cough
- high temperature
- loss of taste or smell

Other symptoms in children include

- vomiting
- nausea
- diarrhea
- fatigue

Please note if your child attends another school and is sent home because they have been in contact with someone who has tested positive then your child at King's will not have to be isolated as well. If your child at another school starts to suffer from one of the above symptoms please inform the school and then they will have to isolate.

If you, your child or anyone in your family needs support with anything surrounding COVID please let us know. As always, we are here to help.

Social Distancing

Spanish	30mins	Self-quizzing	Tuesday
Science	30mins	Self-quizzing	Wednesday
Geography	30mins	Self-quizzing	Thursday
History	30mins	Self-quizzing	Friday
Mathematics Spelling	30 mins each	Hegarty Maths on iPad Self-Quizzing	Checked Monday. 7 days to complete Checked Thursday. 7 days to complete

Mobile phones

As you know we have brought in a new mobile phone policy at King's. If a student is seen on their mobile phone at any point on the school site, up to the top gates, then their phone will be confiscated for 6 weeks. Students should leave their phones at home, or turn them off when they arrive at school and place them in their bags. If there is any emergency and you need to contact the school please ring the school office.

Social media

Social media can be an incredibly dangerous place for young people and its use needs to be carefully monitored. The law states children under the age of 13 should not be on social media at all, this applies to all our students. If your child uses social media I would recommend you limit their use but also closely monitor who they are speaking to and what they are sharing. Students should not use social media unsupervised and should not have their phones or electronic devices in the bedroom at night.

If you would like support dealing with your child and social media please contact the pastoral team. As a school we are running a 'digital detox' where students can voluntarily hand in their devices for a period of time in return for house points. We also sell 'brick' phones which only allow calls and texts, without internet access from the school office. Please contact us if you would like to purchase one for your child.

Mental Health

We know that during this current crisis there has been a rise in the number of young people suffering from mental health issues. At King's we are committed to supporting all our students and their families who might be struggling. This link below offers some useful information for parents and families.
<https://www.papyrus-uk.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Supporting-Your-Child-A-Guide-for-Parents.pdf>

Year 7 I-Pads

All year 7 parents should have received a letter through the post regarding their child's I-pad. I-pads will be handed out to parents on Monday, you should have been contacted with your timing. If there is any issue please contact the school office.

Equipment

From Monday we expect every student to have all their necessary equipment, those that don't will receive an essay for items they do not have. Please see below to check your child has everything they need

Provided by King's to Year 7 students*	Essential items to be purchased by families	Optional items
King's Pencil Case 2 x black biro 2 x pencil 1 x ruler Glue stick King's Water Bottle (full each day) <i>*Year 8 students will need to provide these items themselves</i>	Sharpener Eraser Green Pen (biro) Protractor Compass Scientific calculator	Highlighter (NB. Tipex is not permitted in school)

Headphones

There are occasions when students need to watch educational videos during lessons, could you please provide them with a pair of headphones to use with their i-pads. A cheap pair (below £10) would be suitable. Students should only get their headphones out when instructed by a teacher.

PE Kit

We are still waiting for a few items for the PE kit from our suppliers. If your child has yet to receive their full kit then next week they will be allowed to bring in their own kit, as long as it is plain black. Every child received their timetable today so you can see which days they will need their kit for.

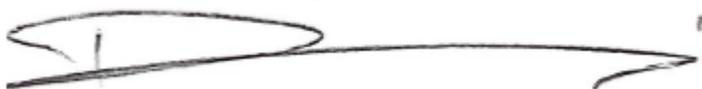
Parking

I would like to remind parents to not park on the small road leading onto the school grounds. I need to take this opportunity to ask parents to remember to always act respectfully to school staff and each other. I know these are stressful times but please set a good example for all our young people

If you have any questions or concerns about anything in today's information briefing please do not hesitate to contact us or alternatively book in a meeting to see myself or another member of the senior team (contact details below)

I hope you have a wonderful weekend and I will see you all on Monday

Kind Regards



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Principal

Contact Details

Senior Staff

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Mr I Umarji (Vice- Principal) i.umarji@kingsbolton.com - Parent App, School Transport, Safeguarding

Ms S Baglow (Office Manager) s.baglow@kingsbolton.com - Family Dining, Uniform, General enquiries, Admissions

Ms L France (Senior Team) l.france@kingsbolton.com - Pastoral concerns, behaviour, Head of York

Ms C Henderson (Senior Team) c.henderson@kingsbolton.com - Academics, Homework, Head of Hanover

Mr J Hoare (Senior Team) j.hoare@kingsbolton.com - Extra-curricular, enrichment (including musics), Head of Normandy

Ms K Williams (Senior Team) k.williams@kingsbolton.com - SENCO, Head of Tudor

Ms S Bostan (Head of Year 7) s.bostan@kingsbolton.com

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Mill Tutors

Mill tutors see our students first thing in the morning daily. These tutors should be the first point of contact for all students. Please see the list below for the member of staff connected with your child. Please do not hesitate to get in touch should you have any questions or concerns. All staff will endeavour to respond within 48hrs.

Y7 Tutors

Astley Bridge: Mrs Baulcombe - a.baulcombe@kingsbolton.com

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Y8 Tutors

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