

Newsletter 28.1.22

We hope this week's newsletter finds all parents, carers and families safe and well. Here is a summary of important information for this week.

Face masks update

From Thursday 27th January, face coverings are no longer expected in classrooms or communal areas for staff and students. All staff and students are welcome to wear face masks if they choose; they must be plain and blue or black.

Super Learning Day: Tuesday 8th February 2022

Super Learning Days are also known as 'drop down' days; on these days all students follow a different timetable for the day. They are used to replace traditional classroom lessons with activities used to strengthen students' practical application of skills and provide a deeper learning experience within Personal Development. The upcoming Super learning Day will take place on Tuesday 8th February.

We really value the importance of equipping our students with the knowledge, skills and attributes to thrive as a successful citizen in the modern world. The following timetable shows the outline for the day for each year group and gives students and parents an idea of the topics that will be covered on the day. All students need to bring their planners and equipment for the day; timings of the school day and uniform expectations remain the same as usual.

Can we ask that Year 10 students bring their PE kits with them to take part in practical and physical workshops. They will also need a coat as the Fire, Police and Ambulance event will take place outside for part of the session. Year 8 students will also need coloured pens or pencils on the day. All students will need their usual equipment and school planner.

<u>Year 7</u> <u>Health and Wellbeing</u>	<u>Year 8</u> <u>Diversity Day</u>	<u>Year 9</u> <u>Careers Information Advice and Guidance</u>	<u>Year 10</u> <u>Tolerance and Respect</u>	<u>Year 11</u> <u>Resilience and Study skills</u>	<u>Post 16</u> <u>Futures and Team building Day</u>
Keynote Speaker - M Taylor					Breakfast in the view
First Aid Sleep Building Relationships - Tolerance Puberty	Diversity Guest Speaker Diversity in Science Changing Attitudes British Values and LGBTQ+ LGBTQ+ month	HE Uncovered Guess the job Not going to Uni Self Employment Student Life	Art session Dance Session - Bollywood Modern British Values Fire, Ambulance and police session -'car crash'	Study Skills workshop Resilient me Core Maths Booster Core Science Booster Core English Booster	Resilient Me Theatre MMu Futures Workshop Bowling Team building event.

If you have any questions with respect to the day, please contact Ms C Dunkerley or Mrs K Oliver.

Y9 Parents' Evening - Thursday 3rd February

School Cloud is now open and available for Year 9 parents to make appointments with up to 5 of your child's teachers. This is an important event as Y9 students will soon be choosing their Option subjects for GCSE or BTec study in Years 10 and 11; please speak to your child about their potential choices and consider this when selecting your appointments. We will release more appointments from Monday 31st January if there is availability.

Y10 Progress Reports

Year 10 reports have been sent home this week via email. If you have any questions, please refer to your child's subject teacher or Miss Gadsby, Year 10 Year Leader.

Y11 and 13 Trial Exams

These will take place after half term and begin the week commencing 28th February. Students will be focusing on revision and preparation strategies and retrieval skills over the next few weeks in lessons and should set out a clear revision timetable programme leading up to these assessments. For revision guidance, please see our website here:

<https://www.glossopdale.derbyshire.sch.uk/-Students/Revision/>

Extra-curricular clubs and peripatetic music lessons.

The number of students attending extra-curricular clubs and activities continues to rise, with many students enjoying the wide variety of activities offered by staff. The Choir, Dance and Drama Clubs are turning their attention to rehearsing the whole school production of 'Matilda' for the remainder of this term and next term. New students are always welcome to join at any point. Please see staff indicated on the attached timetable for further information.

Peripatetic music lessons are available to all students in Years 7 to 13. This is a fantastic opportunity to learn to play an instrument or to sing under the tutelage of a visiting specialist teacher. Our teachers cover a wide range of instruments including piano and keyboard, guitar (acoustic, electric and bass), strings (violin, viola, cello and double bass), woodwind (flute, clarinet, oboe, bassoon and saxophone), brass (trumpet, cornet, french horn, tenor horn, trombone, euphonium, baritone and tuba), drum kit and voice (all styles and types). Students have their peripatetic lessons during normal lessons, but these work on a rota so no lesson is missed on a regular basis. Lesson fees are paid directly to the teacher (subsidies are available to some students). Students in KS4 and Sixth Form do not have to be taking a Music option to have peripatetic lessons. Also see below the trips and events organised by the Music faculty in the dates for the diary. If your child is interested in starting lessons, they should speak to any member of the music department who will give them a letter to bring home. Alternatively, please email Mr Bousie, Head of Music at mbousie@glossopdale.school.

Matilda

Hadfield will be filled by the smell of rebellion when Glossopdale School and Sixth Form presents 'Roald Dahl's Matilda The Musical Jr'. Based on the beloved book "Matilda" by Roald Dahl and adapted from the award-winning full-length musical, 'Roald Dahl's Matilda The Musical Jr' tells the story of an extraordinary girl who, armed with a vivid imagination and a sharp mind, dares to take a stand and change her own destiny. The show runs from Wednesday 30th March to Friday 1st April starting at 7pm. Tickets go on sale Monday 7th February at 9am and can be purchased from www.ticketsource.co.uk/glossopdale

Y12 Work Placements

All Year 12 are required to embark upon a relevant work placement as part of their Sixth Form provision. The placement will take place from Monday 11th July - Friday 15th July. If you are able to offer a placement to one of our Year 12 students please contact Mrs K Boakes (Sixth Form Learning Manager) at kboakes@glossopdale.school . Any support in providing this important experience for our students would be greatly appreciated.

Dates for your diary

Thursday 3rd February: Year 9 Parents' Evening

Tuesday 8th February: Super Learning Day: Y7-13

Friday 18th February: Year 9 trip to the British Music Experience, Liverpool

Week commencing 28th February: Y11 and 13 trial exams

Wednesday 9th March: Glossopdale Young Musician of the Year Finals concert

Wednesday 9th March: Sixth Form UA92/University and Apprenticeships Trip

Friday 18th March: Glossopdale Wind Band at Music for Youth Regional Festival, Hull

Thank you for taking the time to read the newsletter.

Best wishes from all at Glossopdale School and Sixth Form