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Mr Jim Roberts- Headteacher

Monday 22nd March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we near the end of term, I can confirm we will finish on Thursday 1st April 2021. This will be a normal day with all students following their usual timetable and lessons.

Next week is also World Autism Awareness Week and an opportunity to further our understanding of autism, as a school community. The week and planned activities (organised and led by our Phoenix Centre team) will help us raise awareness about diversity; celebrate the fact that all students are unique; respect similarities and differences and understand how autism can affect students' everyday life, including life at school.

Autism is a lifelong developmental disability, that affects how a person communicates with, and relates to other people. It also affects how they make sense of the world around them. Without the right support, school can be a confusing and sometimes difficult place for many of our autistic students.

At Hove Park, students with autism continue to access the support of our fully integrated resourced provision, the Phoenix Centre, helping students on the autism spectrum get the support they need to thrive in a mainstream school. With generous financial support from the Cullum Family Trust, Brighton and Hove City Council and the National Autistic Society, we are now in the process of developing specialist purpose-designed and built centres at both the Valley and Nevill campus, which will continue to provide the focused support that our students need, in order to access the mainstream school. We are looking forward to officially opening our NAS Cullum Centre in September 2021 (Nevill campus) and March 2022 (Valley campus).

COVID home testing kits were given to students following the in-school testing programme.

If individual students / families want to access a home testing kit, but haven't previously provided consent / haven't been involved in the school based testing programme, they can be collected from year offices.

Please remember that results should be shared with the school using the following e-mail addresses.



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Positive cases need to be e-mailed to;

PositiveCOVIDtest@hovepark.org.uk ensuring the following details are included;

- Name of student, year group and form group
- Date of test and result

Negative or Void results to;

NegativeCOVIDtest@hovepark.org.uk with the same details as above

Please use the e-mail address COVIDhometesting@hovepark.org.uk if you have any questions or concerns about home testing, or alternatively contact individual year teams.

Whilst I can report that we have had no positive student lateral flow device tests returned over the last 2 weeks, it is important to once again emphasise;

- Students all need to continue to follow the advice and guidance to help prevent the transmission of the virus.
- If we do get positive cases through either a PCR test or a confirmed LFD test result (as part of the home testing programme), we will need to go back through the process established last term. This involves identifying proximity contacts and where appropriate, having to inform students of the need to self-isolate for a period of 10 days.

Best wishes

Jim Roberts
Head teacher

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