

## **Fulford School**

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Today is Children in Need and like many schools up and down the country, we have supported the day by holding a non-uniform day. Many teachers have come in fancy dress, following a 1980's theme, so be ready to explain to your children who Kajagoogoo are!

We have also marked Anti Bullying week this week. Just as important as raising money, so too is building an awareness of the issues these weeks and days mark. We have looked at how we can change attitudes and behaviours, focussing on providing us with the impetus to be the change we want to see in the world.

We have a strong, campaigning group of student leaders who meet with school leaders and governors to champion causes and bring about change. Our curriculum and assemblies give regular opportunities to reflect on many of today's pressing issues and moral questions

## COVID-19

After the half term holiday, levels of COVID-19 infection rates amongst students have shown a noticeable rise. This has begun to settle, however, we must continue to be vigilant. We continue to ask students and staff to wear face coverings in communal areas, emphasis good hygiene and maintain good ventilation.

Can I also please ask you to continue following the advice around the use of lateral flow testing. Many of our students are reporting as asymptomatic and the use of lateral flow tests identify cases and help stop the spread. If you need any further lateral flow tests, they are readily available from school.

The School's Immunisation Team were in school this week offering COVID-19 vaccinations to pupils who wanted them. If you would like your child to have a vaccination and they didn't get one last week, please contact Mr Harris at school. It is everyone's wish to keep school open and everyone well. Thank you for supporting us in doing this through following the school's expectations and the use of regular lateral flow testing.

## Consultation

The consultation around the proposed merger of South Bank and South York Multi Academy Trusts has now closed. Thank you to those who responded. We will respond to the consultation and keep you up to date with the progress of the proposed merger via the SYMAT website.

## **Mock Exams**

Year 11 will start their mock exams next week with Year 13 starting straight after Christmas. Mock exams are important in ensuring students are best prepared for the summer exam series. They will also offer evidence for grading decisions if for any reason public examinations do not take place this year. We understand some students find this time of year stressful and we are here to support them and you through the process.

With very best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Steve Lewis Head Teacher



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