

## A reminder to parents and carers about the importance of taking and reporting Lateral Flow Test results

We continue to strongly encourage all our community to test twice weekly at home and to report all the results to us in school and the NHS. This is designed to catch any possible cases of Covid-19 at the earliest stage and reduce the chances of transmission in school. The report login can be found [here](#).

## Government update to PCR test requirements and self-isolation period

If an individual tests positive on a lateral flow device (LFD) test they should self-isolate immediately and register their result on GOV.UK so that NHS Test and Trace can trace their contacts. They no longer need to take a PCR test.

Anyone who has one of the core symptoms of COVID-19 – a high temperature, a new, continuous cough or a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – should self-isolate and take a PCR test. They must self-isolate if they get a positive test result, even if they have had a recent negative lateral flow test – these rules have not changed.

Please also note, individuals who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after five full days if they test negative on both day five and day six and do not have a temperature, from Monday 17th January.

## Face Coverings



As per the Government guidance, students (except those who are exempt) are required to wear face coverings in corridors, communal areas and during lessons. This is to help reduce the chances of transmission of the virus in our community. Students who use public transport to and from school should also wear a face covering.

## Year 11 Accelerated Learning

Don't forget to attend Accelerated Learning Lessons! Monday to Thursday each week from 3.20pm to 4.00pm. Get yourself properly prepared for the upcoming exams.

Mr Langford

## Second vaccinations for 12-15 year olds

As you may be aware, new guidance has been issued which means that children aged 12 to 15 are now eligible for a second dose of the Pfizer vaccine, 12 weeks after their first dose. To support the government's efforts to vaccinate as many people as possible, we have agreed that our eligible students will be able to receive their second vaccination (or first one if they have not previously had this but now wish to or are now eligible) in school. These vaccinations will take place before half term and more information will follow shortly.

## Year 11 Parents' Evening – Thursday 27 January 2022

Unfortunately we are unable to hold our parents evening face to face as normal, so we will run the evening via video appointments using a system called School Cloud. This is a web based system and does not require an App to be downloaded. Parents will be invited to make an appointment and then will join a video call with the member of staff on the evening at the appropriate time.

Details of the system have been sent to parents via Parentmail to explain how to book appointments and access the system.

Mr Morley

## Special points of interest:

- **WHSA** – for information about joining, contact Mr Andi Buckley on 0121 550 1452
- **Lost Property** is kept for two weeks. Students are notified of items via the daily message sheet.
- **Uniform:** Sales are now online: <https://www.swischoolwear.co.uk/>



## The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Pudding Competition

Do you have a recipe fit for the Queen? Would you like to see your pudding creation served up at street parties and other celebrations up and down the country? Enter the Queen's Platinum Pudding Competition!



The winning pudding will be an important part of the celebrations marking Her Majesty's 70 years as Monarch. And the creator of the winning pudding will be invited to be at the centre of the celebrations. Applicants are welcomed from UK residents aged 8 and over. Please speak to Miss Powell in C21 for more information. Entries can be made through the [website](#). Good Luck!

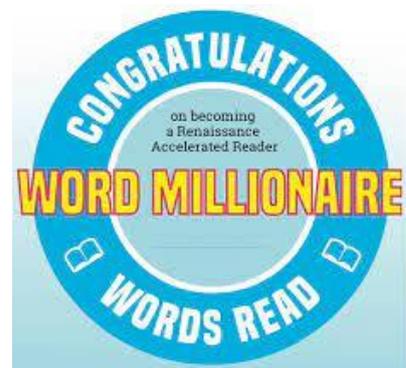
## Christmas Jumper Day December 2021



Staff and students raised a fantastic £1,000 for Save the Children on Christmas Jumper Day, which was held on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December. There were some fantastic jumpers and everyone was in great spirits on the last day of term!

*Congratulations to Millie M and Sophie P who have gained Word Millionaire.*

*Who will be next?*



## Recommended Read

Windsor recognises the importance of reading and to continue to raise the status of reading in school. We have asked staff to share their recommended reads with students and staff.

This week's recommendation is the 'Gone' series by Michael Grant; a post-apocalyptic action-adventure series about a group of teenagers who start developing superpowers in a town surrounded by a dome, where everyone over the age of 15 has disappeared and a fight for survival begins. What could go wrong?

Thank you to Mr Hamilton in the History department for this fantastic recommendation!



## Basketball Team Success!

Windsor's under 14 basketball team competed in two matches this week. Monday evening was a disappointing away match against Hagley. This meant that the team were nervous when they came back together on Wednesday evening for a home match against Pegasus. However the team really pulled together, working as a team and they used every opportunity to try to win. Every single player scored at least one basket, leading to a fantastic final winning score of 36-20. Special thanks to all the team!

*Written by Eliana*