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BISHOPSHALT SCHOOL

"Above all else a place for learning"

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Ref: MCG/ber/Parent Comms

Dear Parents & Carers,

I firstly want to thank all of the Year 10 parents for participating in our first virtual Parents' Evening, we are very appreciated of your patience, if you suffered from any technical difficulties, but on the whole it was a very good evening which allowed for great discussions between teachers and parents.

Last week we had our first 'Show Kindness' Drop Down Day, the next edition of Better Bishopshalter will provide a lot of the details and experiences that students received, however watching our students play 'Virtual Bingo' with the residents of a local care home was a particular highlight and the generosity exhibited by our students, be it by bringing in donations from home, or making gifts and cards for those in our community was heart-warming. The day did bring so much joy to so many people and I would like to thank you for any support you provided and do trust that your child had a remarkable day.

I can report that we have recorded no Covid cases during the last school week, I'd like to reiterate that we must remain exceptionally vigilant. We continue to ask for your support with this by ensuring that your child follows all Covid guidelines, continues to wear a mask to and from school and most importantly, that they immediately return home at the end of school and do not congregate on Coney Green, up in the parade of shops near Hillingdon Hospital or indeed anywhere. We also ask that as the weather turns much colder, please ensure that your child has a warm jacket to wear whilst outside in their bubble zones.

As we move towards the end of term I remind you that on the last two days of school we will be holding the **'Progress Review'** event scheduled to take place on final two days of this term, **Thursday 17th 4:30-7:00pm** and **Friday 18th December 8:30am to 12:00pm**..

Your child's Tutors or a member of the Pastoral Team will be hosting a 10 minute pastoral and progress discussion with you, this is to review the term and look towards the remainder of the academic year. This is a new initiative for the school and one that we will be holding at the end of each term.

If you have not yet done so already, in preparation for these appointments if you would like to register on the **School Cloud system**, full details can be found on the school website, parents page **Parents' Evening –Appointment Booking link**. The Progress Meeting appointments will open for booking early next week and we ask that you arrange your appointments at the earliest opportunity.

We ask you to note that students are **not expected to attend school on Friday 18th December**, this will allow the meetings Pastoral Review meetings to continue throughout the morning. If you have a morning virtual appointment it would be very beneficial for your child to sit with you for the Review conversation

Thank you again for your cooperation and I wish you a wonderful week,

Yours sincerely

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