

6 January 2021

Dear Parents,

Hello from Henry B! Edition 1 2021

Thank you for all the lovely positive messages you have sent in to school. It means a great deal to us all and is such a boost for all of my colleagues.

We are in a much stronger position than in March with our ability to provide on line lessons for our young people. I appreciate there have been a few technical hitches in the first few days but hopefully these have been resolved. Do let us know if there are any issues moving forward. We have sent out some additional information to students about appropriate use of the online learning facility. Sadly just a few students have decided to be silly or inappropriate. We are disappointed that a few are trying to spoil it for the majority.

We will maintain our online lesson approach for all years as much as we can. There may be some lessons where we direct students to work using resources in the student area. Staff will be on rota system to provide cover in keyworker rooms for children who are on site during the lockdown, as well as the necessity to attend meetings established by the Local Authority or the DfE. As a result, there will be occasions when they are unable to conduct an online lesson. Students will be informed if this is the case for any of their lessons.

More information about calendared online events such as options evening and progress evening will be sent out to individual year groups as appropriate.

In terms of national issues, such as the assessment of GCSE's this summer and the impact on the 'leaving date' for Year 11, it is most likely you will hear this information at the same time as the school. Please give us a few days to digest any information we receive before we communicate with you directly.

Please find attached information that has been sent to us from the Hampshire and Isle of Wight crisis line who are available for support if required.

My priority is to keep our community together as best we can. This will be through published activities for our young people and a weekly letter from the school keeping you informed with government updates as well as what is happening in school.

I will need a new project to share with you now the skirting board is complete! [reference Lockdown 1 newsletters].

Most importantly of all we are here for you. Whilst we may be approaching nearly a year of virtual events and phone calls and emails, rather than face to face contact, our success as a school community is founded on our ability to stick together and work as a team. It is a strength of our school. My colleagues and I thank you for your continuing support.

Kind regards,

Miss Hearle  
Headteacher

# Hampshire and IOW CYP Crisis Line

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 3:00pm to 8:30pm

Telephone and email support  
for Children and Young  
People aged 11 – 17 years old.

Who are experiencing  
mental health crisis and  
living in Hampshire or the  
Isle of Wight.



Immediate access to...

- One to one confidential, emotional support
- Advice on healthy coping skills and resources
- Signposting to useful apps and websites

