



Update from Ms Kennedy

Remote Learning for Students Self Isolating -

Students should follow normal school timetable if they are well enough to do so. Teachers will post work and resources along with instructions in the relevant google classroom and where possible and appropriate will send a google meet invite so students can hear teacher instructions and follow lessons as a live stream. **Please note this is not always possible or appropriate depending on the subject.**

Term Time Holiday

Please note that we cannot authorise any term time holiday except for exceptional circumstances. An application for absence can be found at http://www.burytrust.org/county/atschool/docs/Student_Leave_of_Absence_Request_Form.pdf and must be **completed for all planned absence at least 1 month in advance.**

Youth STEMM Award

This year the Youth STEMM Award (<https://ysawards.co.uk/>) is open again to all year groups. If you are interested in participating, please see **Dr Hanfrey**, or your science teacher for more information as soon as possible.

School Meals

Please ensure that any dinner debts are paid up to date and that credit is paid against your child's account in Parentmail for upcoming meals. If you have any queries regarding payment, please contact our reception team who will be happy to help on office@countyupper.org.

Whole School Open Evening

Our Open Evening for prospective new students will take place on Thursday 14th October at 5pm. If you have younger children who wish to join County Upper in September 2022, please do join us.

COVID19 Home Testing

Further to the letter from Ms Kennedy this week, please ensure that students are testing 3 times per week (Sun, Tues & Thurs) Please continue to report student COVID19 tests to school at [Covid-19 Home Test](#)

[Results Form](#) and to the NHS on <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>.

Medical Matters

The school is grateful to parents for all their co-operation in this area. Our policy in these matters is shown below:

- a) It is essential that we have **emergency contact numbers** should we need to reach you during the school day. Your child should have returned the **contact sheet** which was issued at the start of term. If not, please send them, via your child, to the form tutor as soon as possible.
- b) If your child requires any **medication during the day**, the following points will apply:-
 - we must receive a written request for staff to handle the medicine;
 - the medicine must be clearly labelled with your child's name, dose and timing and the smallest practical dose should be brought to school;
 - any specific instructions concerning the medication or its storage must also be put in writing.
- c) **Paracetamol** is the only medication which the school will issue without specific authorisation from a parent. Parents who do not wish their child to be issued with paracetamol should put this in writing. Prior to issue, students will be asked a series of questions and may be refused the tablet. Any tablet issued will be taken under staff supervision. Parents may wish to explain these precautionary measures to their children.
- d) **Epipens** – Due to the ongoing supply issues, we are currently unable to provide Epipens in school. If your child requires an Epipen, please ensure you provide a spare to the school for emergency use.

We will, of course, continue to provide a high standard of care for your child whilst at school and are happy to discuss any matters with you.

Data Sheets

Data sheets have been sent home with students. Please can you look carefully at the information that we have stored for your child, update it as necessary and return it to us via your child by Friday 24th September.

Year Group News

Year Nine

The year 9 Parent Information Evening will take place on 23rd September.

Year Ten

The year 10 Parent Information Evening will take place on 30th September

Year Eleven

The year 11 Parents' Evening will take place on 21st October.

Year Twelve

Parents' Evening will take place on 4th October.

Please ensure that you complete the Home Study Form to allow your child to study at home during their double free lessons. Passes will be issued next week for all students who have a correctly completed form.

Clubs, Activities and Extension GCSEs for the Autumn Term 2021

We are pleased to publish this term's list of regular clubs, activities and extension GCSEs. In addition, there will be the usual wide, regular range of one-off activities and trips notified as they occur. The staff give freely and generously of their time to ensure that there is a huge range and depth of activity on offer and we encourage every student to consider at least one extra curricular activity.

	Before School	Lunchtime	After School
Monday	Single Reed Ensemble (Music) Academy Basketball (Sports Hall) Open Dance (Jazz) (Gym)	Spanish Beginners @ 1.25 pm (Room 21) Film Club @ 1.25 pm (Room 11) Additional Maths (FSMQ) Year 10 (Room 28) GCSE Year 2 Japanese integrated skills class @ 1.20 pm (PE1) Swing band (Music) Year 9 & 10 Badminton (Sports Hall) Open Table Tennis (Gym)	6 th form Art studio time @ 4.00 pm – 5.00 pm Dungeons and Dragons (G2) Year 9 & 10 Football Year 9 & 10 Netball (Sports Hall) Fixtures
Tuesday	Pop Choir (Music) Academy Basketball (Sports Hall) Open Cricket (Sports Hall)	GCSE Photography drop in session (D1) Week A – GCSE Graphics drop in sessions (D11) Book Club @ 1.25 pm (Room 11) Maths Revision Year 11 Higher (Room 28) Beginners' Japanese integrated skills class @ 1.20 pm (PE1) Wind Band (Music) GCSE Badminton (Sports Hall) Open Volleyball (Gym)	6 th form Art studio time @ 4.00 pm – 5.00 pm U19 Academy Basketball (Sports Hall) Fixtures
Wednesday	GCSE Year 3 Japanese (C4) Academy Basketball (Sports Hall) Open Dance (Lyrical) (Gym)	GCSE Art drop in sessions (D7) History Society (H1) Chess Club (H2) Additional Maths (FSMQ) Year 11 (Room 28) GCSE Year 3 Japanese (C4) Chamber Choir (Music) B&V Society Year 10 & 11 Badminton (Sports Hall)	GCSE Year 2 Japanese (C4) Astronomy GCSE @ 4.30 pm (CC1) Year 10 and above Girls Football (Field/Astro) U19 Basketball Academy Fixtures Fixtures
Thursday	Beginners' Japanese @ 8.30 am – 9.20 am (PE1) Barbershop (Music)	Creative Writing Club @ 1.25 pm (Room 11) Politics and Economics Society (H2) Maths Revision Year 11 Foundation (Room 28) Brass Ensemble (Music) String Ensemble (Music) Year 11 Sport Science Support (PE2) Year 11 GCSE Support (PE2) Year 9 & 10 Girls Basketball (Sports Hall)	Drama Club @ 4.00 pm – 5.00 pm Warhammer (H2) Debating Society (Library) Sixth Form Physics drop-in (S2) Open Trampoline (Mini Hall) Year 11 & Sixth Form Football Year 11 & Sixth Form Netball (Sports Hall) Fixtures
Friday	Academy Basketball (Sports Hall)	Week B – GCSE Graphics drop in sessions (D11) Orchestra (Music) Pride Boxing/Boxing Fitness Club (Invite Only) (Gym) Year 10 GCSE Support (PE2) Year 9 & 10 Boys Basketball (Sports Hall)	U19 Academy Basketball (Sports Hall)