

## Parent Bulletin Week Commencing 27th April

Whilst a lot of the daily school routines are different at the moment, we are still trying to maintain as much 'business as usual' as is possible working from home. The annual survey for students, parents, teachers and governors is normally completed in April; to try to maintain some yearly comparison consistency these will still run this term. Students will be asked to complete their survey soon via a link from their tutor through Show my Homework, the link to the parents survey is here (https://www.qdpsurvey.co.uk/OnlineQuestionnaire?code=7105-31446-24397260). The feedback, positive and negative, on the impressions you have about Farmor's School helps shape the whole school priorities for next year. Please complete this survey by Monday 4th May.

## Notices:

- Year 8: Thank you for your patience regarding the Bell Heath Residential for Year 8 in July. I can now confirm that this trip has been cancelled. Those of you who have paid will get a full refund. There will be a delay on refunding the money through parent pay as everything is taking much longer to process at the moment with people working from home.
- Year 10: The English Department will be running a short assessment based on the Shakespeare text your child has been studying. We understand that the situation for each child at home is very different and the last thing we want to do is to cause any unnecessary stress. If this seems like too much, then please be assured that your child will not be disadvantaged if they do not manage to complete the assessment. We would just like to give them the opportunity to show us what they can do and keep their exam skills ticking over.

The assessment will take the form of a short essay task. The assessment question will be posted by the class teacher on Show My Homework on Monday 27th April and the submission date will be set as Friday 1st May. We hope that this time will allow each student to complete the assessment in 1 hour, at a time that suits them. We would like the students to complete their essay without referencing their copy of the play. Their class teacher will give them tips and guidance.

Please be aware that students in the group shared by Mrs White and Mrs Giles will do their assessment at a later date. If you have any questions please contact your child's English teacher.

- All Years: We are aware that there is an increase in the demand for parenting support at this time. In response to this, the Family Information Service advice line has been expanded to provide some practical parenting support. They provide parents with a confidential space to talk, helping them to explore their situation and identify a way forward, offering practical parenting strategies where this is needed. Please see contact information on our website letters to parents.
- All Years: Students who have music tuition please could you reply to the email sent to you via InTouch about continuation of lessons whilst school is closed, if you haven't replied already. If you need more information, or didn't see the email, please contact Sue Dorey on <a href="mailto:sdorey@farmors.gloucs.sch.uk">sdorey@farmors.gloucs.sch.uk</a>

Letters to parents this week <u>http://www.farmors.gloucs.sch.uk/Letters-to-parents</u>

- Year 10: Work Experience .
- All Years: Support for Parents.

## Coming up next week:

For events beyond next week and spring term clubs and activities poster please follow links to our website.

http://www.farmors.gloucs.sch.uk/Clubs-and-activities http://www.farmors.gloucs.sch.uk/Calendar-term-dates-andschool-day

Kind regards,

Pastoral team