



Three Bridges School Newsletter

October 2019

Overview

Welcome back to the new academic year. For all our new students and their families, we hope you have enjoyed your first few weeks with us and we look forward to continuing your journey with you, according to your individual needs and interests. As we get to know each other better we will be able to achieve ever more!

On October 18th students will be finishing their school day at 1.00pm. We request the taxi drivers to collect your child at 1pm instead of 3pm on Fri 18th October, but please remind them nearer the time to avoid any misunderstandings.

Staff news

We are very happy to welcome many new members of staff: Stacey, Denise, Jason, Mat, Selina, Yvonne, Lia, Caitlin, Sharon & Carrie to our team of LSAs. They are already making a valuable contribution to Three Bridges, alongside the already established team members. We look forward to welcoming Neil Pellow-Firth to our teaching team after half-term and are also very happy to let you know that Louise is well on the way to recovery and will be back with us very soon.

E-Safety & Safeguarding

Online safety is something we take very seriously at Three Bridges. As we work with vulnerable young people, we ensure that all our staff carry out regular training, including an annual certificated course, and are kept informed of any updates. As a school, we have a duty to support our students in understanding how to keep themselves safe online, we are also tasked with supporting parents around the issues of e-safety.

Upcoming Events

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Half Term

1pm finish 18th Oct

Inset Days - students not attending

Monday 28th Oct &
Friday 20th Dec

Term begins

Tuesday 29th Oct

Children in Need Day

Friday 15th Nov

End of term

Thursday 20th Dec

News and Information

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[Click here for information on e-safety](#)

[Click here to read our most recent Ofsted Report](#)

This resource is produced by Childnet International and outlines how parents can support their child online <https://www.childnet.com/ufiles/Supporting-Young-People-Online.pdf>

Remember: NSPCC's Online Safety helpline 0808 800 5002 and Childline (0800 1111)

Parent Teacher Meetings

We will be holding parent /teacher meetings this coming half-term for all students who do not have an EHCP meeting this term. We will be in contact nearer the time to let you know dates and times.

Other News

School social Event We will be holding a social event towards the end of the Christmas term, when we can celebrate the achievements of all our students. Further information will be sent after the half-term break.

Youth Parliament Ballot Some students have been developing their knowledge of the Youth Parliament, following taking part in the elections last year. They have recently completed a ballot about what they would like to be debated on their behalf at the next sitting of the Youth Parliament. The main topics which the students chose were; protecting the environment, tackling hate crime, child mental health, stopping street harassment and tackling child poverty. The debates will take place on 8th November.

Learn your way Please download the 'Take a look' transition day flyer for opportunities to see some of the options available for post 19 students.

We look forward to working hard, with the students, for the rest of this term, which ends on 19th December.

Contact:

We like to keep in touch with news and events through email and newsletters throughout the academic year. If you would like to make any suggestions or comments at any time, please feel free to contact us at the school: 01872 561010, via Kathleen's mobile: 07813 930824, by email: any of the teachers in the same format as kathleen.hampshire@spectrumasd.org, or Sam, our administrator: samantha.england@spectrumasd.org

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