## Alderman Peel High School Learning to make the difference

# School Matters October 2021

## Welcome to the first edition of School Matters for this academic year.

It has been a challenging few months for everyone and I hope you and your families are well, despite these challenges. It has been absolutely superb to welcome students back to school and get our school community "together" again. Thank you to all of you for your support.

We have had a really positive start to this year and there are many events and activities planned so please check the calendar on our website. Please also find attached our new Communication Guide.

Mr A Ogle

## **Music Department**

Our choir is now back up and running with two performances in the first two weeks.

Firstly our Open Evening for prospective Y6 students, then our prestigious Holkham Awards Ceremony.

We have had many performers taking part at Holkham Hall ranging from our Year 11 band, solo guitars, vocal duets and many piano students.

Our budding songwriters have been working hard this term to produce some chord sequences and we are really looking forward to exploring lyrics and building into a full song.

Instrumental lessons have continued with the addition of Mr Taylor teaching woodwind and Miss Street teaching singing. Places are still available for some instruments, please see Mr Rider for further information.



#### On the Calendar

**Monday 18th October** 

Burnham Market & Wells Primary Schools D&T and Art Workshop

Cluster Touch Rugby Event

Year 11 live Theatre Experience at Norwich Playhouse.

GCSE Geography Field work trip to West Runton Beach.

Wednesday 20th October Finish for Half term Holiday

Monday 1st November— Tuesday 9th November

Trial exams. First Wave

**Thursday 4th November** 

Year 7 boys rugby at North Walsham Rugby Club



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#### **Calendar Continued**

#### **Thursday 11th November**

Remembrance Day

Assembly

Year 9 Boys rugby at North Walsham Rugby Club

Careers Convention 6pm-8pm

Years 8-11

#### **Monday 15th November**

Key stage 4 Art trip to The Sainsbury Centre

## Tuesday 16th—Friday 19th November

Residential trip to Edale. Years 8 & 10

#### **Thursday 25th November**

Year 10 boys rugby at North Walsham Rugby Club (after school)

Year 11 Certificate Evening TBC

#### **Tuesday 30th November**

Citizenship Day (2)

Year 7 Parents Evening

#### Friday 3rd December

Christmas service at

St Nicholas Church

## **Design & Technology**

## **D&T/STEM Google Classrooms**

Please ensure students have joined the relevant **D&T Google Classroom** for their year group so they have access to all the lesson resources to support their learning. There is also a latest news topic, **'Stop the Press!'** where I post interesting news articles each week about exciting new inventions and other cool articles — so please encourage them to read and keep up to date with all things D&T and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths)! If they are keen to learn more about D&T and STEM, then there are additional Google Classrooms they can join which are open to all students (11-16) and provide opportunities to extend their knowledge and understanding beyond the classroom — and to enter competitions and earn badges!





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#### **Calendar Continued**

#### Wednesday 8th December

Wells Primary & Nursery Christmas Production.

#### Thursday 9th December & Friday 10th December

**APHS Christmas Production** 

#### Monday 13th December

Mufti Day— Christmas Jumpers. Quick Sticks Hockey Event

#### **Tuesday 14th December**

Whole School Flu Vaccinations

#### **Thursday 16th December**

Deadline for Year 11 references

Finish for Christmas Holidavs

## **Design & Technology continued.**

The Contextual Takeaway Menu (pictured) is one such example of home learning designed to encourage students to find solutions for real-life problems in a range of different contexts (themes). There are also some fun games to learn key D&T words with Mrs Moffat's Quizlet Sets and lots of great shows on the recommended TV Watch List!

If students complete any of this work please be sure to share with Mrs Moffat and Mr Heron so we can celebrate and reward their achievements!







Global Goals

Menu

Zero hunger
 Good health and well being
 Quality education

5. Gender equality





#### Safeguarding

Safeguarding and child protection are the most important part of everyone's role at Alderman Peel High School.

Regardless of whether you are a teacher, parent or visitor we ask that you pass on any concerns to our Designated Safeguarding Lead Mr. Alastair Ogle .

If you are unable to contact Mr. Ogle then please contact Ms. Sperry, Mr. Hardman or Mr. Tawana.

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#### Drama

Y11 Theatre Trip to Norwich Playhouse on 18th October will be our first evening trip for Drama in over two years. We are seeing First Time by Nathaniel Hall.

#### **Eco Council**

Please can parents/carers hunt out any stashes of 1p and 2p coins they may have for our giant children's charity jar in reception?

According to the Bank of England there is currently five billion in our homes!!



Also around school Eco Council have organised eight collection points for pill packets, pens, batteries and bottle lids. The current Eco Team are really keen that we can make a difference and asking your children to not use single use plastic water bottles will be really positive.



#### Contacting you....

Please keep us up to date with current mobile numbers, home phone numbers, email addresses and home addresses for the purposes of sharing information and reaching you promptly in case of an emergency. Forms are available from Mrs Hart or Mrs Gibson in the reception office.

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To keep you up to date with current contact details there is a list of useful numbers for members of staff available on the website.

#### Punctuality

Students are reminded that registration starts at 8:40am. If you arrive after this, you are late.
Sanctions are in place for students who are repeatedly late.

#### **Medical Appointments**

If your child needs to leave school early or arrive later due to a medical appointment, please ensure that evidence of the appointment is shown to our reception office. (e.g. a letter or appointment card from the doctor/hospital clinic/dentist)

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#### **PE Department**

The first Football fixture of the year saw the U16 team debut the new APHS shirts, that have kindly been sponsored by Wells Carnival, as they took on Fakenham Academy.

An earlier goal for Fakenham was followed by a dominant opening 10 minutes from them and the margin did not increase further thanks to several outstanding saves from Finn S.

The boys started to grow into the game and a strong partnership from Ted H and Jonah R in the centre of defence began to rub off on the other players. Jonah G netted a deserved equaliser from a tight angle, before Noah F cut inside his defender and beat the Fakenham goalkeeper at their near post to see APHS take a 2-1 lead in half-time. The second half saw both teams strike the woodwork with both Billy C and Noah F going close to extending the lead. Fakenham eventually found an equaliser towards the end of the match and a 2-2 draw was probably a fair result for both teams.





A - ambition

P - pride

H - happiness

S - success

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## **Computer Science**

Year 10 Creative iMedia students are currently studying for their Creative iMedia exam on the 10th Jan 2022. For many students this is their first 'proper' GCSE style examination and it is important that they prepare for the examination thoroughly. To help with their revision work all students have been given a revision guide and a revision app called IRevise.

Year 11 Creative iMedia will get their exam and coursework grades, from the exam board at the end of November.

Year 11 are currently working on their website course work. The deadlines are as follows:

Deadline 1 (all paperwork completed ) 15th December 2021 Deadline 2 (paperwork and website completed) 28th January 2022

To help with completing this coursework (year 11) or revision (year10), a vocational coursework clinic is held every Thursdays in CS2 from 3-4pm. refreshments will be provided.

Key Stage 3, all the Computing lunchtime clubs have now restarted. Please see class notice boards for details of activities offered.

## E- Safety - website of the month

There are many websites that offer e-safety advice to parents and students, one of the better websites is the Net Aware website which is produced by the children's charity the NSPCC. It offers advice on the latest apps, how to stay safe online and avoid scams. I would recommend this website to all parents and students who want to know more about e-safety. Take a look at

https://www.net-aware.org.uk/

## **Duke of Edinburgh Award**

Duke of Edinburgh Bronze is now up and running and we would welcome any students from Year 9 or Year 10 to come and get an application form from Pastoral if they would like to start working towards this award.



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### Sport A Peel

We are looking for qualified lifeguards to join our Sport-A-Peel team.

Applicants must hold the Full NPLQ (National Pool Lifeguard Qualification) and once on our team they are expected to attend monthly lifeguard training to keep topping up your skill set.

When on shift you will be required to open and close the swimming pool facilities, check and clean changing rooms if required, put lane ropes in if needed, make sure the pool is safe to go in (check chlorine and PH levels etc) and of course look after the swimmers in the pool. There could be opportunities to cover work in the fitness suite as well.

Sport-A-Peel is a small, local leisure facility, a community hub with a friendly atmosphere where everyone is welcome. We have a variety of equipment, treadmills, rowing machines, cross trainer, bike and stepper and enough weight machines to give you an all over workout. Some of our other facilities include the 3G multi-sports area, a swimming pool, a gymnasium and badminton and tennis courts, which are all available for hire out of school hours.

For information on job opportunities within Sport-A-Peel or visiting us for a work out, please email us at sport-a-peel@wensumtrust.org.uk





# **Communication Guide** for Parents and Carers



#### Introduction

At Alderman Peel High, we find that children who receive support from their parents/carers in meeting the school's expectations make faster progress and are likely to perform better in their GCSEs. We believe that communication between home and school is essential to maintain consistency and to resolve issues as soon as they arise. In an attempt to make this easier, we have produced this guide, which includes a list of people to contact for specific questions or queries.

As we are sure you will appreciate, our staff are often too busy teaching or meeting with pupils, parents or other agencies to provide immediate support throughout the school day. There are 50 lessons in our two-week timetable, each of which is an hour long. Teachers teach an average of 43 periods a fortnight. They also have to plan these lessons, lead tutor periods, plan and mark homework, write reports, provide intervention and additional support for pupils. Many staff also organise extra-curricular clubs or revision sessions outside of the school timetable.

#### Email: office@aldermanpeel.norfolk.sch.uk

Our office email inbox is checked regularly throughout the school day, and all email queries are directed to the relevant member of staff.

#### Our Website: www.wensumtrust.org.uk/aldermanpeel

Our website provides a wide range of helpful information for our parents/carers and students. It also includes an electronic <u>Contact Form</u>, which may prove to be easier than emailing us on certain devices.

#### **Staff Contacts**

If your query relates to a particular department, service area or member of staff, then please use the enclosed Staff Contact List to email the relevant member of staff.



SIMS	We use the SIMs App to provide daily reporting of students' achievements and any negative incidents which may occur. You can also view your child's timetable, as well as update medical and contact details. This is also where all <i>Attitude to Learning</i> grades and progress reports are published, so it is essential that all parents/carers are able to access this app.		
	We regularly use email to communicate important information and notices to parents/carers and students, such as reminders regarding Parents Evenings and other school events. Please use the SIMs App to ensure that your contact email address is up to date at all times.		
	We will phone parents/carers when there is a need to communicate urgent messages.  We will also send text messages to communicate urgent or essential information, such as bus delays or after school clubs.		
ClassCharts	The main function of ClassCharts is to publish homework to parents and students. There is a parent app and a separate student app for smartphones, which can also be accessed via a web-based login. Additionally, parents/carers can also access achievement, behaviour, attendance and time-table information in a very user-friendly format.		
Google Classroom	Google Classroom is used by individual subjects to deliver blended learning to students. These may consist of online materials such as lesson activities, resources, quizzes and links to other external materials. Login codes are available from each subject teacher as required. There is a free app that can also be downloaded by students.		
SCOPAY	SCO Pay is our school's online payment system, which facilitates payments for items such as lunch money, uniform, PE kits, equipment, revision guides, educational trips & visits, and non-uniform days/donations to charities.		
parentsevening system	We use an online system to book and host appointments between parents/carers and subject teachers. Parents Evenings and Meet the Tutor evenings are scheduled throughout the year and this system helps parents/carers to efficiently arrange and amend appointments.		
f	We use Facebook to share information about school events, to celebrate student's work and achievements and to keep our community up to date with school activity. Please follow us on <a href="mailto:@AldermanPeel">@AldermanPeel</a> .		
5	We use Twitter to share our students' work and to celebrate school achievements. It is also a helpful networking tool, that allows us to engage with national and local organisations, as well as parents/carers. Please follow us on <a href="mailto:@AldermanHigh">@AldermanHigh</a>		

# Staff contact details



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Mr A Ogle	Principal	Formal complaints / staff is-	principal@aldermanpeel.norfolk.sch.uk
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