



## The Misbourne Families' Bulletin

### Week commencing Monday 12 October 2020

Welcome to our Families' Bulletin. For more details regarding any of the information below, please click on the links or visit our website: <https://www.themisbourne.co.uk/601/newsletters>

#### HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Yesterday was a day we had hoped we would not have to experience, and certainly not so soon into the term. However, I would like to reiterate my thanks to all families and students for being so calm and supportive through a difficult day. I wrote to all families yesterday to outline the school's approach and a copy of that letter is included [here](#).

I know that this is an anxious time for the whole Misbourne community, as it is the nation as a whole. We will continue to remind our students of the importance of continuing to follow good hygiene practises and maintaining a social distance between themselves and others. We would be grateful if you would support this by encouraging your children to follow the guidance when at home and on their journeys to and from school too. There is lots of information on our website here, which it may be worth taking the time to read through with your children.

Please continue to keep the lines of communication between us open. We will, of course, update you as necessary. In the meantime, I wish you all a safe and restful weekend.

*J. Meloni*

Ms Jo Meloni

 **Welcome to The Misbourne**

 **Keep your distance**       **Wash your hands**       **Stay safe**

**Protect our Community**

# School Notices

## One Can Trust Appeal

Thank you to everyone who has already donated to our One Can Trust Appeal. A reminder that, if you would like to donate fresh food, please send it in on **Monday 12 October** only. One Can Trust has arranged to collect it on Tuesday. Fresh food specifically required includes **carrots, onions, broccoli and bananas**.

All tinned / dried goods will be gratefully received on all other days during the Appeal. A full list of items required by One Can Trust is available [here](#).

## Bucks Skills Show Online 2020

This year's Bucks Skills Show, offering further / higher education and careers advice to students in Years 11, 12 and 13, will take place online this year. Please read the flyer [here](#) for more information. In particular, you or your child may be interested in booking a place on the following webinars:

- Tuesday 10 November 6-7pm – Where next: employment, education or apprenticeship?
- Thursday 12 November 6-7pm – Understanding the job market: what's on your doorstep?

They are also offering the opportunity to book a free 30-minute 'What's right for me?' 1:1 advice and guidance sessions with a careers expert.

## Covid-19 Information Hub

A reminder that we have created a dedicated Covid-19 Information page on our website. This is in the Families section, but can also be accessed directly from the home page, [here](#). We will continue to update this page as guidance evolves.

## Guides to Using IT for Learning

A reminder that we have added two new video guides to our website to help students to use IT effectively to support their learning. One is a short video to help students understand the many facilities included in Office 365 and another is a video from an external provider explaining how students can participate in live lessons on Microsoft Teams. Both videos can be found on the [Using IT for Learning](#) page of our website, which is included in the Families section.

## Dyslexia Awareness

To mark Dyslexia Awareness Week, Witherslack Group is hosting a series of webinars focusing on supporting children and young people with dyslexia. A live webinar will be broadcast at 12 noon on Friday 23 October. A series of pre-recorded webinars are also available [here](#).

## Year Group-Specific Notices

### WHOLE SCHOOL

Week commencing 12.10.2020 is timetable Week A.

**Face Masks:** May we remind families that it is expected that students should bring their own personal face mask to school every day. This is an important element of helping to keep our community safe during the Covid-19 pandemic.

**Café price information:** Up-to-date price lists for the Café are now available on our website [here](#).

### YEAR 7

**Homework schedule:** The homework schedule becomes effective for Year 7 students from Monday 12 October. This week, students will receive 30 minutes' homework in each of these subjects: English, Maths and Science.

### YEAR 8

**Homework schedule:** This week, Year 8 students will receive 30 minutes' homework from each of these subjects: English, Maths, Science, Geography, DT/Food, Art and MFL.

### SIXTH FORM

Students are encouraged to bring in their own device (laptop or tablet) so they can connect to the school wifi in case any of their lessons are being taught remotely from teachers that are having to work from home. A pair of headphones will also reduce the issue of feedback in the classroom. Wifi instructions have been posted on the students' form team on Microsoft Teams, with further updates posted there as we work to resolve any technical difficulties.

### YEAR 13

A reminder that all students are asked to submit their first draft UCAS personal statement to their form tutor by **Wednesday 14 October**.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### The Source

The latest edition of The Source is now available to read online at [www.hp16.org.uk](http://www.hp16.org.uk)