



# The Misbourne Families' Bulletin

## 14.06.21

Welcome to our Families' Bulletin for week commencing 14 June 2021. For more details regarding any of the information below, please click on the links or visit our website [here](#).



### Headteacher's message

The arrival of hot weather to coincide with the start of this half term has certainly put a spring in everyone's step this week. It has been wonderful to see the students relaxing on the field in their break times.

On that note, we are pleased to be able to offer a wide range of extra-curricular sports after school during this half term, including rounders, cricket and softball, which I know our students always very much enjoy. Please see the notice below from Mr Poeti, curriculum leader for PE, which provides details of when each club is running and how students can sign up.

The site feels emptier without our Year 13 and Year 11 students here. Mrs Barrett has written to all our Year 13 and Year 11 families outlining how we will be supporting these students with their studies for the remainder of this term and a copy of that letter is available [here](#). We very much hope they will take

advantage of the time they now have to use the wide range of resources their teachers have made available to help prepare them for the next stage of their learning journey.

I wish you all a relaxing weekend in the sunshine whilst I will be participating in a charity bike ride. The route is a mere 68 miles across undulating countryside in aid of Action Medical Research for Children. Wish me luck that my knees hold up and I can still walk come Monday morning!

Best wishes,

**Jo Meloni**

## Hot chocolate with the Head

Congratulations to all of this week's Year 10 students to be invited to have Hot Chocolate with the Head. The reasons for their nominations included: having an excellent work ethic; being a credit to their small school; having a positive influence on their peers; for always being polite and working hard. Miss Meloni enjoyed speaking to them about how school was going this term and what they see as the important issues for them right now. They covered a number of topical national and global issues, as well as their personal uncertainty around how their exams will work next Summer. They were, as ever, a complete delight to talk to, articulate in their communication and reflective in their responses.

Many congratulations to all of them for being such a credit to The Misbourne.



## Whole school notices

Week commencing 14.06.21 is timetable week A.

### Attendance

If your child is unwell or unable to attend lessons for any other exceptional or unavoidable reason, please let us know by 8.30am in the usual way each morning (by emailing [attendance@themisbourne.co.uk](mailto:attendance@themisbourne.co.uk)). For all other correspondence about your child, please continue to use the relevant school base email account so we can achieve consistency and clarity of communication.

## Water bottles

All students are encouraged to bring their own individual, named water bottle to school every day. Staying hydrated is known to help improve concentration and is particularly important for wellbeing when the weather is hot. We have plenty of drinking water taps around the school site where students can refill their water bottles as necessary.

## Extra-curricular sports



Mr Poeti would like to see as many students as possible sign up to take part in an after-school sports club this half term. The PE staff are putting on a wide range of sports clubs for students in Years 7-10, so there should be something to appeal to everyone. Please refer to the following timetable on our website [here](#) and sign up via the links provided.

## Students' ball games

We are pleased that we've been able to open up the field in the dry weather, which allows more students to bring their own balls to school to use during their break times. However, please may we ask that any students bringing balls to school carry them in a bag large enough to hold them securely. This

allows the balls to be kept out of site when students are walking around the school site so they are not played with other than at break times, which may cause a distraction to other students.

## Revision tips

Some of our senior students have put together a presentation on their top tips for successful revision to help other students. All our students may benefit from their advice, which includes some excellent suggestions on how to maximise the effectiveness of your revision and carefully plan your time. Please [click here](#) to read the presentation.



## School Uniform promotion

Marks and Spencer is pleased to confirm that it will be offering a fantastic 20% off all uniform on the M&S Your School Uniform [website](#). This will run from **29th June 2021 to 3rd August 2021**. All orders over £30 will receive free standard delivery. M&S is encouraging orders to be placed before the end of July to ensure delivery in time for the new school year. Please be aware that the Next Day Delivery option is not available during August as M&S cannot guarantee it will be fulfilled that quickly.

If a product is not available customers will see a 'NOTIFY ME WHEN BACK IN STOCK' message. Directly below this, customers are asked to leave their email address in order to be told when it is back in stock. When this box is completed, it actually ensures the request is added to an embroidery requirement list and will prioritise the embroidery of this product. M&S encourages customers to use this feature if necessary as they assure us that it does work!

Please use this web link to place your uniform orders <http://www.mandsyourschooluniform.com/>

Local uniform supplier, PL Schoolwear, provides all of our PE kit. If your child requires new PE kit for September, please visit the PL Schoolwear [website](#) to order.

## Covid-19 information

### At home lateral flow testing

Please continue to ensure that all participating students carry out lateral flow tests twice weekly at home and upload their results onto [www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result](http://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result). Please notify the school immediately if your child receives a positive test result.

All information and guidance relating to Covid-19 in our school environment is in the [Covid-19 Information Hub](#) on our website.

## Wellbeing - Water Safety

19-26 June is Drowning Prevention Week. We know that during hot weather it can be tempting for families and teenagers in particular to take a dip in the rivers and lakes we have locally and the Bucks School Swimming Partnership has asked us to highlight that caution should always be used in such circumstances. It is working to improve awareness and safety around open water swimming via a national initiative called SH2OUT developed by British Triathlon, Swim England and the RLSS.

Please take some time to read the following advice on water safety with your child [here](#) and encourage them to follow the RLSS' water safety tips in this poster.

Further information and safety tips can be found on the following websites:

- <https://www.rlss.org.uk/pages/category/open-water-safety-tips>
- <https://www.rlss.org.uk/news/guidance-and-clarity-for-open-water-swimmers>
- <https://rnli.org/youth-education/education-resources>



## Friends of The Misbourne



### **Bag2School Collection**

A reminder that Friends of The Misbourne is running a textile collection with Bag2School in order to raise money for the school. As well as raising much-needed funds, it also helps the environment by keeping unwanted clothes out of landfill.

Simply use a black bin bag, or any other large bag that you have at home, fill it with adults' and children's clothes, shoes, hats, belts, handbags and soft toys and then bring it to school on collection day. See the full list of accepted items [here](#). Please note, all items must be good quality.

Bag2School will be collecting from school on **20 July, 2021**, so plenty of time to sort out your donations. Further details will be available shortly but we are planning a drive-thru drop off in order to meet COVID restrictions. Watch this space and get sorting! Further details on the website: [www.bag2school.com](http://www.bag2school.com).

## Year group-specific notices

### YEAR 7

**Homework schedule:** Please [click here](#) to see the homework timetable for the Summer term.

### YEAR 8

**End of Year assessments:** Year 8 assessments in English, mathematics and science will take place from 14-16 June 2021. Please [click here](#) for a copy of the letter which outlined all the information for these assessments.

### YEAR 11

**Summer term work:** Please refer to the letter sent by Mrs Barrett about Year 11 into Year 12 Bridging Work and curriculum-enhancing work [here](#).

### YEAR 12

**Exams:** Our internal Predicted Grade exams take place during the week of Tuesday 29 June to Friday 2 July. All students have received their timetables and are permitted study leave around their assessments during this week only.

### YEAR 13

**Moving Forwards:** Please refer to the letter from Mrs Barrett [here](#) about Year 13 Moving Forwards activities.