



The Misbourne Families' Bulletin

05.07.21

Welcome to our Families' Bulletin for week commencing 5 July 2021. For more details regarding any of the information below, please click on the links or visit our website [here](#).



Headteacher's message

Traditionally, the final weeks of the Summer term are always packed with fun events, sports and activities and I'm pleased to say that, after all the turbulence of the past year, this is proving to be the case this term. This week, our Year 10 Food Preparation and Nutrition students enjoyed a trip to The Farmschool in Harpenden. There they had the opportunity to learn more about the importance of food provenance and Mrs Cato reported that it had been a very informative and enjoyable visit.

Next week, some of our most promising athletes will have the chance to represent The Misbourne at the District Athletics Championships at Uxbridge Stadium. This is a fantastic opportunity for them to compete against other top athletes throughout Bucks and we wish them every success.

Whilst we are really pleased our students have access to such valuable opportunities again, you will no doubt have heard the media coverage around the rise in Covid-19 cases in schools across the country. I

therefore urge all members of our community to continue to work together to help minimise the risk of transmission of this virus by **twice-weekly testing** and maintaining **good hygiene** practices. By continuing with this effort, we will be doing all we can to ensure that our students have the best chance of remaining in school, enjoying the end of term that they all so richly deserve.

In other news, I was delighted to see The Misbourne making **front page news** in the latest issue of [The Source](#) this week. If you haven't read it, [here](#) is your chance to do so.

With best wishes,

Jo Meloni



Hot chocolate with the Head

Congratulations to all of the students in Year 9 who were nominated for Hot Chocolate with the Head this week. They had all been nominated for a variety of reasons, including outstanding commitment to their studies, exemplary attendance, following the Misbourne Way and being an excellent role model to younger students. Ms Meloni enjoyed chatting to them all about the highs and lows of the past year and hearing what they are looking forward to over the Summer.



Whole school notices

Week commencing 05.07.21 is timetable week B.

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). 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.

Covid-19 Lateral Flow Testing

At home lateral flow testing

Please may we remind families of the vital importance of continuing 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. Please notify the school immediately if your child receives a positive test result.

Buckinghamshire Council has notified us of a rise in positive cases across the county. Regular testing to detect asymptomatic cases is our best means of safeguarding the health of our community.

If your child needs more lateral flow tests, they can collect a box from Reception.



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

Careers news - we need your help!

We recently issued the final edition of our [Classroom to Career newsletter](#). This series of six newsletters aimed at parents/carers and young people has been funded by the Careers Hub fund. In order to secure funding for next year, we urgently **need your feedback** and as the **Lead Hub School** it would be wonderful if our school also led the way in **helping to secure this superb resource for another year** at least. Hopefully this has been a useful source of information for parents, carers, teachers and students however, to keep it going we need to demonstrate this.

[Complete the parent carer survey now >](#)

[Complete the student survey now >](#)

The latest issue of [Careermag](#) is available, containing useful information for students in all year groups and their families.



M&S School Uniform promotion update

Marks and Spencer has informed us that it has delayed its 20% off all uniform promotion by a week. It will now run on the M&S Your School Uniform [website](#) from **6 July 2021 to 10 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.mandschooluniform.com/>

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

Wellbeing

The **British Dyslexia Association** will be holding a FREE [webinar](#) on **Thursday 15th July at 7pm** on Inspiring young people to achieve their potential. The session will focus on an introduction to helping young people when studying at home. The trainer will use a number of scenarios to recreate some of the problems and difficulties a dyslexic child may experience working at home and illustrate strategies to get things done effectively and explain why no two days are the same and that it's okay to struggle. The session will include stories and anecdotes about his (anonymous) dyslexic clients who have achieved significant levels of success and enjoyment in their professions. To book a place, please click [Free Webinar](#): Inspiring young people to achieve their potential - British Dyslexia Association.



Year group-specific notices

YEAR 7

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

YEAR 8

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

YEAR 11

Foundation Day: We are pleased to be able to offer a Foundation Day for our internal Sixth Form applicants on Friday 16 July. Please [click here](#) to read the letter from Mr Dwight with more information.

YEAR 12

Higher Education and Apprenticeships Information Evening: we are holding our information virtually on Thursday 8 July from 5.00pm-6.00pm and we would encourage as many Year 12 students and families to attend as possible. Please [click here](#) for more information.

UCAS Applications - student and family support: please [click here](#) to read a letter from the Sixth Form team on the many ways we can support Year 12 students and their families with UCAS applications.



Friends of The Misbourne



Get rid of your unwanted clothing

A reminder that Friends of The Misbourne is running a textile collection with Bag2School on **19 July 2021** 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.

Families will be able to drop off their donations via a drive-thru on The Misbourne's coach road between **9am - 11am on Monday 19 July**. Please do not come outside these hours as the gates will be locked.

Further details are on FOTM's Facebook page (www.facebook.com/friendsofthemisbourne) and on the Bag2School website: www.bag2school.com.



Community Notices

Great Missenden CofE School Charity - funding applications now open

The managing trustees of the Great Missenden CofE School Charity are inviting applications for financial grants or awards from young people aged 18-25 who live in the ecclesiastical parish of Great Missenden or attended Great Missenden CofE Combined School. They have specifically asked that the Award is publicised to Misbourne students. Please [click here](#) for more information and to find out how to apply.