



NBHS WEEKLY UPDATE

Friday 8th October 2021

Message from HT

It was wonderful to engage with the NB Parent Council this week – to me, it is very clear that we will be able to work together positively, with shared goals and aspirations, from here on. My thanks to Gillian Milne for chairing the meeting so well. The next meeting will be on Wednesday 24th November and further information will follow.

We continue to encourage our young people to make good, safe choices at the moment. It goes without saying that your ongoing support in reinforcing our shared expectations around arriving on time, in dress code, engaging in learning to the best of their ability, and understanding why mitigations remain important, is invaluable.

Thank you
Mrs Moore

Covid Mitigations

It continues to be **vital**ly important that all pupils follow the one way system, wear face coverings (unless exempt) and ensure good hand hygiene. Please use the information in the Warn and Inform letter as your guide to current protocols.

We expect a National update on Covid school guidance after the October break.

Extra Curricular Activities

We are working hard to increase our Extra Curricular offer for 20-21. We have just been informed that music ensembles will be able to restart! We will share the timetable for this as soon as it is finalised – we hope to offer the following, as well as Senior Drama club:

Piping Group	Ukulele Orchestra
Percussion Ensemble	In Harmony (Junior Choir)
Student Guitar Group	Brass Band
Guitar Ensemble	Soul Band
S1-S3 Rock Group	Piano Ensembles
Jazz Band	Chorale (Senior Choir)
Woodwind Ensemble	Staff Senior Choir
Orchestra	String Orchestra

We have completed consultations with each year group to see what the young people would like to see beyond sporting, academic and musical activities – they have come up with a wide range of ideas and proposals.

Gardening, Chess, Biscuits+Books, Languages Film Making, Science Club, Maths supported study, S1 Football all continue to run.

October Holiday Venturing Out programme

Venturing Out CIC – October Holiday Activities!



Get the kids outdoors and adventuring this October Holidays with Venturing Out!

Venturing Out are running October Holiday Activities for children aged 8 to 14. All activities take place in East Lothian and include activities such as Bushcraft, Trail Cycling, Water Activities, Mini Expedition and Rock Climbing. Full information on all holiday activities can be found here: [Outdoor activity camps for kids East Lothian and Edinburgh — Venturing Out](#)

For further information, you can email claire@ventingout.org.uk

Sporting Success

Scottish Schools' Athletics Association Road Race 2021

Cerys Wright - 1st - S1 Girls

Freya Brown - 2nd - S1 Girls

Innes Wright - 10th - S3/S4 Boys

Maja Thomson - 3rd - S5/S6 Girls

Fantastic!

North Berwick Rugby Results and Fixtures

NB U13s won 52 0 against Lasswade (Away)

NB U14s lost 28 37 against Boroughmuir (Home)

NB U15s lost 38 56 against Boroughmuir (Home)

NB U16s won 31 36 against Boroughmuir (Away) Image attached of winning squad

NB U12s Girls won against two Berwick sides Image attached of the 6 players

NB U14s Girls combined with Edinburgh Harlequins to beat Kelso and narrowly losing to Gala

Upcoming fixtures this week on Saturday 9th October:

NBHS age groups v Haddington in the Conference

Go NB!!



Absent Pupils Accessing Learning

We appreciate there is a need to ensure provision for learning is in place for young people self-isolating or awaiting test results. I understand that there is already good practice in place in the use of Google Classroom which can support this.

As Google Classroom has been set up for every class, key powerpoints or topic overviews are being routinely posted in class spaces. Assignments and home learning are also often posted for young people to access.

Please encourage your young person to check their Google Classrooms in the first instance.

Nationally, there are supplementary online learning offers available to all pupils as follows:

- The E-Sgoil online offer for Senior Phase learners can be accessed on GLOW and instructions for this are on our own school website:
<https://www.edubuzz.org/northberwickhigh/wp-content/blogs.dir/894/files/2020/10/GLOW-e-Sgoil-User-Guide-2020.pdf>
- For BGE learners, there are resources on West-OS, also accessed through GLOW – the app will appear on the pupils' launch pad
- The National E-Learning Offer (NELO) can be accessed here:
<https://education.gov.scot/nelo/>
- SCHOLAR resources for seniors can be found here: <https://scholar.hw.ac.uk/>

Asymptomatic Testing

With children back at school it's important to be aware of the latest guidance to help everyone stay safe.

For the latest information, visit:

gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-getting-tested

Testing can help reduce the risks of an outbreak. Pupils should test themselves twice a week, reporting the results online even if they are negative or void.

Parents coming into school building

Please note that the following COVID-19 mitigation measure remains in place during this time: parents and carers cannot come into the school building. Unfortunately, this means that if your child forgets something, you cannot drop the item off at school for them.

COVID-19 Lateral Flow Test Replacements

If a pupil requires a replacement lateral flow test kit they can obtain it in one of the following ways:

- E-mail your request to admin@northberwickhigh.elcschool.org.uk
- Ask a member of staff at the office

Attendance Mailbox

Separate from the East Lothian COVID-19 email address mentioned above, we would like to remind you that NBHS has a dedicated email address for all attendance matters. There is no need to phone

the school – just send an email to the attendance address below, giving the detail of absence, appointments etc. **Please be sure to include the reason for your child being absent from school**; we need this information to ensure that all absences are recorded correctly. We recommend that you add this email address to your contacts so this it is quick and easy for you to access:

attendance@northberwickhigh.elcschool.org.uk

NBHS Communications

Just a reminder that if you wish to contact school you should email us at the communications email address below, or contact your child's guidance teacher directly. If your child is absent from school, please contact the dedicated absence line

communications@northberwickhigh.elcschool.org.uk

Dates for your Diary

- October holiday runs from Monday 18th- Friday 22nd October inclusive, with Monday 25th October an inservice day for staff only – we look forward to welcoming pupils back to school after October break on **Tuesday 26th October**
- Next Rolling Monday is **Wednesday 27th October** all pupils should follow their Monday timetable