

## PARENT BULLETIN

### Week Ending: Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2020

#### **Note from the Headteacher, Ms A Sharma:**

Our students and staff have worked extremely hard during this half term and I am very proud of them. They rose extremely well to the challenge of coping with restrictions placed in classrooms due to Covid -19. They have shown tenacity, respect for each other and aspired towards the highest possible standards. I would like to thank you as parents/carers for all your support for the school.

Please note that some of our Year 11 students will be attending intervention sessions in various subjects next week. If your child is in Year 11 and is invited to attend, then please make sure that they arrive on time for their sessions.

Could I also remind you that if your child receives a positive Covid-19 test result during the half term week that you let the school know by emailing [info@villiers.ealing.sch.uk](mailto:info@villiers.ealing.sch.uk).

It has been drawn to my attention that there was a near miss, where a couple of students were nearly knocked down outside the school this week. I would urge parents again to think of the safety of everyone and to **not** park near the school on Boyd Avenue or Villiers Road. I hope you have a restful half term and stay safe.

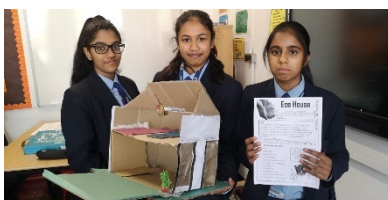
#### **Eco Day: Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October:**



We held our first Eco Day of the term this week. The theme was "Sustainable Food", and we looked at how far our food travels, how much food we waste, and how we can shop more sustainably. All lessons were taught without projectors and computers to see how much energy we could save on a particular day.



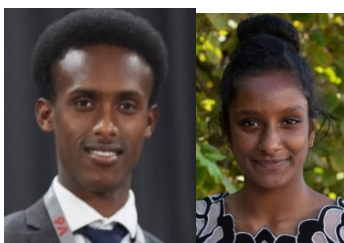
Year 7 students looked at sustainable food and the importance of 'growing your own'.



Students getting involved in hands-on lessons making a model of an Eco friendly house



#### **Head Boy / Head Girl:**



**Mohammed Abdurahman(Head Boy):**  
**Ardhana Sherin (Head Girl)**

This week a panel met with the applicants for this year's Head Boy and Head Girl positions. The standard of our applicants was very high and we are delighted to inform you that

Mohammed Abdurahman has been appointed as Head Boy and Ardhana Sherin has been appointed as Head Girl for this academic year. Thank you to everyone who applied.

#### **Official opening of CoCo Café:**



This week we were delighted to be able to open our new café for use by Sixth Form students and staff. After the ribbon was officially cut our Senior Leadership Team hosted their first meeting in the CoCo garden and enjoyed hot drinks and breakfast treats prepared by our

CoCo team and many of our Sixth Form students and also enjoyed sitting in the café for a coffee and a cake.

### **Year 11 and Year 13 Focus**

#### **Groups:**

These are now up and running for pupils in order for them to have extra support to catch up and complement learning in the lessons. Please continue to encourage your child to attend the scheduled focus groups. The attendance so far has been very good, so do encourage your child to keep up their efforts.

### **October half term Year 11**

#### **revision classes:**

The school has organised special smaller group support for many Year11 pupils during October half term. These sessions will run **from Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October** onwards. If your child has been selected to attend by their teachers, please do support by ensuring the attend on time. Your child will have been given a letter detailing the sessions they must attend and one will also be in the post for you.

Do contact your child's form tutor in the first instance if you have any concerns about their progress.

### **A reminder about the changes which will take effect from Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020:**

**Face Coverings:** To help curb the spread of infection, face coverings will become mandatory in the following settings:

- Corridors and queues – it will be compulsory to wear face masks for staff and students
- Outside areas - compulsory in queues or close face to

face interaction between students at break and lunch Please let us know if there is any medical reason why your child should **not** wear a face covering by emailing [info@villiers.ealing.sch.uk](mailto:info@villiers.ealing.sch.uk)

**P.E.:** On the day when your child has P.E. they will be allowed to come into school in their white P.E. tops and their black tracksuit bottoms but they must still wear their blazer and school shoes. They should bring their PE shoes / trainers with them to change into. This way they can still look smart travelling to and from school and be comfortable during their P.E. lesson.

Please remind your child that they should also bring their football boots to school if they are playing football.

### **Entry and Exit Gates:**

	<b><u>Enter</u></b>	<b><u>Exit</u></b>
7	Gate 3	Gate 3
8	Court 3 gate (in Park)	Court 3 Gate (in Park)
9	Court 4 gate (in Park)	Court 4 gate (in Park)
10	Gate 6	Gate 6
11	Court 2 gate (in Park)	Court 2 gate (in Park)
6F	6 <sup>th</sup> form Turnstile	6 <sup>th</sup> form Turnstile

tradition with many children ringing on the same doorbells and rummaging in the same bowl of sweets is an unnecessary risk to take. It is possible to transfer the virus on sweet wrappers etc. as these are very difficult to clean and the virus can remain on surfaces such as door knockers and bells for up to three days – potentially longer. Instead of going from door to door consider one of the fun and safe alternatives such as family pumpkins hunts. Please consider vulnerable residents who may be particularly anxious at this time and alarmed by repeated knocks on their door.

However you celebrate Halloween please remember that you must never be with more than 6 people outside, and only be inside with the people you live with or those in your support bubble.

### **Trick or treat during Halloween:**



At a time when the coronavirus rates continue to rise in London, the trick or treat Halloween