



Quick links:



Reopening of school

We are looking forward to welcoming students back into school from Monday 8 March. Thank you for completing the survey that was emailed earlier in the week, this information has helped with our planning to reopen school.

Please click on the links below to access key information that we emailed to parents on Friday 26 February.

- [Summary Letter from Mr Renton](#) including the following links:
 - [Testing Registration and Instructions including link to the consent form \(to be completed by Tuesday 2 March\)](#)
 - [Privacy statement and FAQs March 2021](#)
 - [NHS Test and Trace information sheet](#)
 - [Allocated times for testing](#)
 - [Full opening guide March 2021](#)

Students will return to school on a phased basis as detailed in the table below.

	Test – attend school only for test and return home to continue remote learning	Return – attend all lessons in school from this date
Friday 5 th March	Testing Year 12, Year 13	
Monday 8 th March	Testing Year 10, Year 11	Year 12, Year 13
Tuesday 9 th March	Testing Year 7 and Year 8	Year 10, Year 11
Wednesday 10 th March	Testing Year 9	Year 7 and Year 8
Thursday 11 th March	2 nd of 3 tests - tbc	Year 9

Where families and students have chosen not to take part in testing, they will attend school in line with the phased return above.

We ask that you read the documents above using the links provided, we appreciate that there is a lot of information to digest.

Key messages:

- Return to school dates can be located in the table above
- Please complete the [consent form](#) by Tuesday 2 March
- Ensure your child attends school at the [allocated time](#) for their test – they do not need to wear school uniform unless they are arriving by bus and staying in school when uniform should be worn
- Face coverings must be worn in classrooms, in addition to our previous arrangements. We recommend that your child brings a spare mask to school each day. We recommend reusable facemask.
- Please keep children at home if they display any symptoms of coronavirus, book a test and email results@harroagtegrammar.co.uk
- If you have any questions about the testing process, please email covid-testing@harroagtegrammar.co.uk
- Further information about home testing will be communicated in the coming weeks



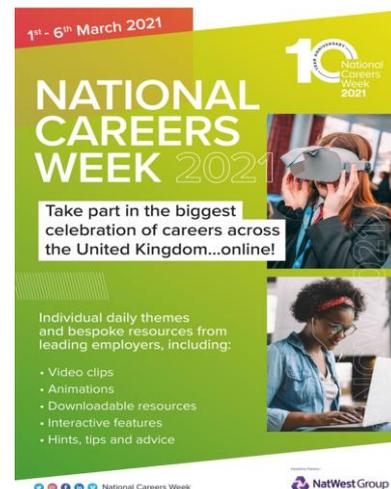


National Careers Week 1-6 March

National Careers Week is celebrating its 10th anniversary this year. It aims to encourage families to have conversations about careers and the world of work, especially this year in these challenging times, to help young people to start exploring careers, spark their curiosity and build hope by talking about their plans for the future. There are a range of resources on our website which can be found using this link: [National Careers Week](#)

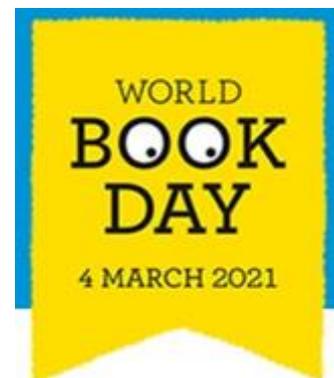
Resources include:

- Virtual Careers Fair, will be live from Monday 1 March. No registration is required.
- Parent Guide
- Future of Work guide
- Career conversation activities
- Step into the NHS competition



World Book Day 2021 is on March 4 celebrating everything to do with books and reading.

This annual event, led by charity [Unesco](#), is all about encouraging your love of reading! We may still be in lockdown but that will not stop us celebrating! So, put on your favourite onesie or your fancy dress costume or cosy hoodie and get reading!



New Student Garden Area

Thank you for all the donations that you have provided to help fund this new student garden. We have been thrilled with the donations that we have received to date.



Works on this new area have already begun.

If you feel you are able to contribute in whatever way possible, you can access the donation page [here](#) or via the QR code.



Live fitness classes for staff and students

To access the classes students should click on links below.

Day/time	Teacher	Link to Teams
Mondays 3.40pm to 4.10pm	Mr Crawshaw	Mondays 15:40-16:10
Wednesdays 2.40pm to 3.10pm	Mr McIntyre	Wednesday 14:40-15:10
Fridays 8.10am to 8.40am	Mr Ryder	Fridays 8:10-8:40





Royal Academy Young Artists Summer Show

The Art and Design faculty will be encouraging all art students to take part in the Royal Academy Young Artists Summer Show. Students can submit 3 artworks for consideration they simply take a photo, give it a title make a note of the medium used and write a short description about the work to upload. All details will be shared with students via their art teacher, but they can also find additional details on the website. To be in with a chance of being selected all entrants must be made before Monday 26 April.



[Young Artists' Summer Show | Royal Academy](#)

The Young Artists' Summer Show is an open submission exhibition, taking place both online and on-site at the Royal Academy, that recognises talented young artists at primary and secondary school level.
youngartists.royalacademy.org.uk

Dates for Your Diary

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Important Dates:

- Year 8 Parents' Consultation Evening – Tuesday 2 March, 2pm to 6:30pm
- World Book Day – Thursday 4 March
- National Careers Week – Monday 1 to Saturday 6 March
- Phased return to school:

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All upcoming events, term dates and holidays:

- [Link to school web calendar](#)

Information



Useful contacts

Query	Contact
Year Manager contact details	Year 7 – Mrs Bennett - ceb@harrogategrammar.co.uk Year 8 – Ms Brown - cfb@harrogategrammar.co.uk Year 9 – Mrs Smithson - dhs@harrogategrammar.co.uk Year 10 – Mrs Ellenthorpe - mce@harrogategrammar.co.uk Year 11 – Miss Moore - dfm@harrogategrammar.co.uk Year 12 and 13 – Mrs Jackson - cjj@harrogategrammar.co.uk Learning Support – Mrs Zoccolan - ezz@harrogategrammar.co.uk
iPad related issues	Email: helpdesk@harrogategrammar.co.uk
Problems accessing Showbie	Contact your Form Tutor
Assistant Headteachers for further enquiries	Director of Lower School (Years 7 to 9)– Ms Smith - kss@harrogategrammar.co.uk Director of Upper School (Year 10 and 11) – Mr Mason - njm@harrogategrammar.co.uk



	Director of Sixth Form – Mr Twitchin – bct@harrogategrammar.co.uk
General queries	mail@harrogategrammar.co.uk
To report booked test, test results or symptoms for any students at HGS	result@harrogategrammar.co.uk
For any queries regarding testing in school or to withdraw consent to testing	covid-testing@harrogategrammar.co.uk



Post 16 opportunities

[Click here](#) for Post 16 opportunities. Information shared with Year 12 and 13 within the Sixth Form bulletin.



HGS in the news

Mr Renton's interview with BBC Radio York on Thursday 25 February. To listen to the interview, click on the link and scroll to 1:35:10: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/play/p096h1d1>

Article by Mr Renton: <https://www.positive.news/opinion/why-we-shouldnt-call-todays-children-the-covid-generation-but-the-remarkables/>

Letter Communications



[Return to school information](#) – emailed Friday 26 February
[Year 8 and 9 whole school SEND review](#) – emailed Wednesday 24 February
[2021/22 Term dates](#) – emailed Monday 8 February



Current Vacancies

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RKLT Vacancies RKLT vacancies can be accessed [here](#)

Including:

RKLT Supply Team, Teaching Assistants and Teacher/Cover Supervisor
 RKLT IT Services Network Technician – closing date 1 March

Well-being Support



kooth

Need to talk?
We're **online** until 10pm

Friendly counsellors Self-help Community support

Free, safe and anonymous online support for young people
kooth.com

Saint Michael's Hospice **JUST 'B'**

Hear to Help

Do you need a moment to talk?

Hear to Help is a helpline providing support and advice to those who are feeling anxious or struggling with their emotional wellbeing around the COVID-19 outbreak.

Available to children, young people and adults across the Harrogate District from **Monday March 23, 8am-8pm, seven days a week.**

A service provided by Just 'B', part of Saint Michael's Hospice.

(01423) 856 799

North Yorkshire Hospice Care is a registered charity in England and Wales (518005) with a family of services operating as Helios Hospice Harrogate, Just 'B', Saint Michael's Hospice and Talking Spaces. North Yorkshire Hospice Care is a company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales (2131778). Registered address Cringle House, Hornbeam Park Avenue, Harrogate, HG2 8QL.

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PREVENTION OF YOUNG SUICIDE

Are you or is a young person you know not coping with life? For confidential suicide prevention advice please call **0800 068 4141**

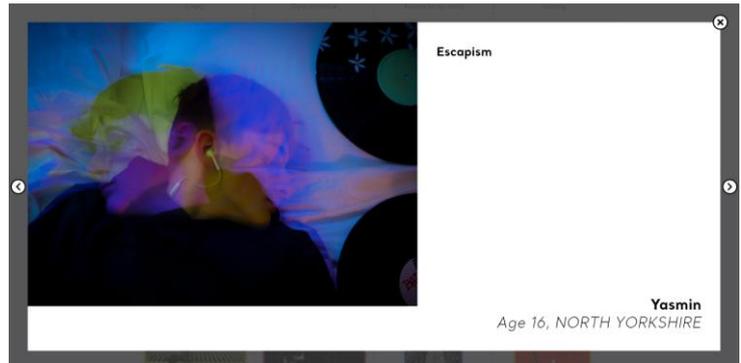
HOPELINEUK
0800 068 4141

Text: **07786209697**
Email: **pat@papyrus-uk.org**

Mon - Fri 10am - 10pm
Weekends 2pm - 10pm
Bank Holidays 2pm - 10pm
www.papyrus-uk.org
Registered charity number: 1070896

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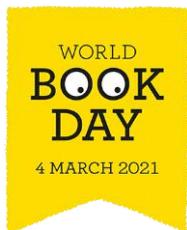
Yasmin Topley, Year 12 has been successful in a National photography competition based around mental health she is one of 83 exhibitors selected from 22,000 entries with her piece Escapism, the link to the website is [Exhibition - The Photography Movement](#)



HGS Book Recommendations

Dream Big
READ!

Diverse voices, a collection of



World Book Day 4th March

The theme being changing lives through a love of books and shared reading. Tap on the link to access World Book Day podcast and author videos.

<https://www.worldbookdaysocial.com/>

Mrs Gibson will be emailing you with your free book token to exchange for one of these books.



Access the HGS library platform .

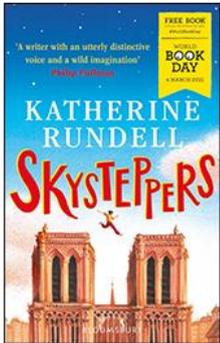
To register for the library platform tap on the link.

<https://harrogategrammarlrc.eplatform.co/account/register>

You will have access to thousands of new fiction and non-fiction books. The new releases are updated regularly and you will find plenty of books to escape to, in these strange times.

Any problems with the platform email Mrs Gibson cjg@harrogategrammar.co.uk

This Weeks Recommendations



High above the streets of Paris live the rooftoppers, a secret gang of children who eat, sleep and tumble amongst the chimney pots. It's a perilous life, but for Matteo and Mercedes the adventure is only just beginning. Caught up in a long-standing feud that threatens their existence amongst the stars, they find themselves on a hunt across Paris, tearing across the roofs of Versailles and the Louvre, searching for hidden treasure in a race against Henri Danglars – the enemy who would seek to destroy that which they love best.

From bestselling and multiple-award-winning author Katherine Rundell, this joyful new story of the rooftoppers of Paris is full of her trademark bravery and adventure. It's a treat just waiting to be discovered.

Three ancient gods are freed from their prison with only one desire: to destroy the planet and everyone on it.

To save us all, Skulduggery Pleasant and Valkyrie Cain must go undercover in a Dublin school. Skulduggery has to blend in with the teaching staff, while Valkyrie has to pass for an ordinary schoolgirl. Above all else, no matter what happens, they both must act completely and utterly normal.

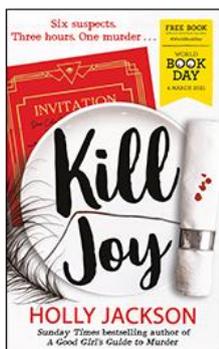
We are so dead.



Pippa Fitz-Amobi is not in the mood for her friend's murder mystery party. Especially one that involves 1920's fancy dress and pretending that their town, Little Kilton, is an island called Joy.

But when the game begins, Pip finds herself drawn into the make-believe world of intrigue, deception and murder. But as Pip plays detective, teasing out the identity of the killer clue-by-clue, the murder of the fictional Reginald Remy isn't the only case on her mind . . .

Find out where it all began for Pip in this prequel to the best-selling A Good Girl's Guide to Murder and Good Girl, Bad Blood.



Find out the true stories of the star players, top teams and game changers who have shaped football history. Stories include:

- The secret behind Lionel Messi's success
- The footballer who poed on the pitch
- The greatest goat in football
- The incredible story of women's football after World War I

The bestselling Football School series explains the world through football. This collection is packed with fascinating facts and super stats, so you'll learn loads about football, as well as other amazing subjects such as history, science and geography.

