

# BROWN'S BULLETIN

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## Happy New Year!

As this is our first newsletter of 2021 we wanted to take the opportunity to thank you for your overwhelming support in 2020 and wish everyone a more promising 2021.

## Mr. Stewart

Sadly, after 15 years of service to the school, Mr Stewart has left the team at Brown's. Mr Stewart and his family have relocated, which came as a surprise to us all, but we wish them all the best for the future and thank Mr Stewart for everything he brought to the development of the school. He will be missed by all but hopefully this is not the last we will see of him!

## Google Classroom

Despite lockdown, Brown's School has remained open to all of our students due to their classification as 'vulnerable'. We are delighted to see so many students back and enjoying the routine of school. Due to some students working remotely, we have set up our online platform via Google Classroom. Students can access live sessions with teacher, pre-recorded lessons, and independent work/challenges. Details of how to use the platform have been emailed to all parents/guardians and we are delighted with the response we have had. If you have any further questions, please contact the school office.



## Distance Challenge

In order to help keep people physically and mentally healthy we have decided to bring back the Virtual Distance Challenge. It proved popular during last year's lockdown and may help anyone who is feeling the strain of lockdown.

Run/Ride/Walk/Scout/Skate/Swim—Record it, screenshot it, send it in. Record your distance using a tracker such as Map My Run, Strava or another app. The House group that travels the furthest by Friday 12th February wins.

## Housekeeping

- ∞ As we rapidly approach the colder weather it is worth reminding everyone of the increased importance of appropriate clothing for students this year. We would encourage all students to have a coat due to the use of the outdoor waiting bays. School hoodies can also be ordered on request from the school office. Students must have suitable clothing for Healthy Living Enrichment on Wednesday afternoons.
- ∞ Water bottles are essential for students as the fountains will remain out of use. We are, of course, willing to refill bottles but are striving to reduce the use of single use plastic bottles in school.
- ∞ Students are permitted to wear their PE kit on days they have PE & Wednesdays for Healthy Living Enrichment. **Students should be in full school uniform on other days.**

## Dates for the Calendar

### *Mental Health Awareness*

*Week: Monday 1st February-Friday 5th February*

*Safer Internet Day: Friday 12th February*

*Last Day of Half Term: Friday 12th February*

*Return to School: Monday 22nd February*

## On your marks, get set, BAKE!

Alongside the distance challenge we have also set weekly baking challenges for our enthusiastic young bakers. Photos of the bakes look fantastic and we would love to see more. Star baker announcements to come soon!

