

5 February 2021



**Holderness Academy**  
& Sixth Form College

Dear Parent/Carer,

**Express Yourself Enrichment Day - Friday 12 February 2021**

We would like to firstly thank you for your continued support of the Academy and provision for high quality blended learning whilst our young people learn remotely and thank you for your positive feedback via our parent survey.

We are writing to you to inform you of our upcoming 'Express Yourself' Enrichment Day. Following on from our 'Express Yourself' Well-being Week we recognise the importance of taking part in endeavours that take learners away from their screens and encourage them to partake in activities that take them outside, join in with their families and get them thinking about their wider community.

On Friday 12 February, we are encouraging both staff and students to continue high quality remote teaching and learning away from the computer screen as much as possible. 'Express Yourself' is the theme for the current Children's Mental Health Week and the Academy's 'Well-being Week' and 'Fitness February', all of which are currently ongoing. The 'Express Yourself - Enrichment Day' is a continuation of the work we are doing to promote a healthy active lifestyle in an attempt to improve and promote a healthy body and mind.

In the lead up to Friday 12 February, students will be provided with a timetable and a menu of activities that they can select from and complete throughout the day, in order to express themselves and develop their cultural capital.

Students are asked to '**check-in**' and '**check-out**' with their tutors at the start and end of the day. There is no expectation for students to hand in work during the day, however we would like students to attempt activities for five subjects of their choice and share their experiences with their tutor via a google form during the check out at the end of the day. There is an opportunity to share pictures using the google form via their tutor group Google Classroom.

Our Sixth Form students will continue with their academic studies, but there will be no expectation to have any 'face-to-face' delivery allowing them to schedule their day as appropriate. Additional enrichment and well-being activities will be sent separately and students are asked to engage in an activity of their choice at some point during the day.

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The Academy will continue to be open for vulnerable and critical worker children on 12 February where they will be able to participate in activities planned by the duty staff. The day will be a **non-school uniform day** for these students and will finish at the normal time of 3pm.

We look forward to a day of collaboration that invites students' innovation and creativity to 'express yourself' and hope that we can all join in and support.

Finally, a reminder that the Academy will close for half term at 3pm on Friday 12 February and re-open to vulnerable and critical worker children as well as resuming online learning on Monday 22 February.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mr Briggs', with a small mark above the final 's'.

Mr Briggs  
Director of Upper School