

BHASVIC

Tuesday 7 July 2020

Dear Parents and Carers of BHASVIC Leavers,

I hope you are all well. As we come to the end of the summer term I need to say a formal goodbye to students - which I've done via this video message. I will never forget this year group, and still remain really sad that their time at BHASVIC was cut so short. I hope in spite of this, that they remember their time with us fondly and that they will look back on their time at BHASVIC as a period where they became a lot more independent, learnt a lot and had lots of fun. I want to thank them and you as parents and carers on behalf of Governors, the Senior Management Team and all staff for at BHASVIC for coping so admirably with the uncertainty of how their time at BHASVIC ended. Parents and carers are our Quality Army and without doubt help manage the stresses of studying at this level. You may note in my video I ask students to thank their parents (or carers) for supporting them through their time at BHASVIC. I hope they take up this request! I hope to see many students on results day to congratulate them in person on well-deserved outcomes after two years of hard fought learning. I will really be pushing this message on Results Day — these results are genuine and well deserved and no-one can take that away. With thanks again for your support during their time here.

The rest of this message lets you know more details about Results and Leavers Day processes and reminds you about book and equipment returns to help keep you in the loop with the mechanics of these processes.

Best wishes, William Baldwin - Principal

Book and Equipment Returns

Final 'amnesty' for returns THIS WEEK

Students have all received e-mails and text messages over the last few weeks asking them to return books and equipment to the college in order that we can process and return the £50 deposit. Thanks to all the young people who have managed to do this so far. As there are still a few students who need to return items, we are extending the deadline to THIS FRIDAY - 10 July. This is their last chance to drop off any final books and pieces of equipment in the crate provided at Main Reception during normal college opening hours. After this date, we are likely to have to retain deposits in order to contribute towards the cost of replacement. If you have any questions about this process, please e-mail studentservices@bhasvic.ac.uk

Results Days - Thursday 13 August (AS/A level) and Thursday 20 August (GCSE)

Check your Student Advantage account works today!

Students' results will be released online from 8am via their Student Advantage account. They should check their account here today to make sure that they can still log in. If they have any problems, please contact IT Support help desk (cis@bhasvic.ac.uk) ASAP. Please encourage them not to leave it until the week of Results Day as the IT team are incredibly busy in the run-up to results being released and on the day itself.

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Post-results help desk runs for the final two weeks of August

The college will be open from 9am on 13 August. There will be members of the careers team, guidance and student services available to offer help and advice on all forms of onward applications and future pathways. If students need careers advice in the meantime, please e-mail careers@bhasvic.ac.uk or encourage them to contact their Guidance Manager via the main college switchboard (01273 552200). If switchboard is closed or students do not know who their Guidance Manager is, please e-mail studentservices@bhasvic.ac.uk

Lockdown Leavers' Celebration - Thursday 13 August

Music, photos and ice-cream in the main piazza - Government guidelines permitting

The Student Union are planning for a socially distanced, leavers' farewell for small groups of students who want to come on-site on A level Results Day. We will need to follow Government guidelines, keeping well spaced out in the open air, but there should be some tunes and goody-bags available for a sunny summer atmosphere where students can say their goodbyes to BHASVIC friends. More details will be emailed to students in the week of Results Day and posted on the website, so encourage them to keep an eye out for times and further info.

Sign up to become one of our BHASVIC Alumni

Do encourage your young person to keep in touch with us as they move into their next stage - whatever that may be. There is a section of our website for ex-students here and they can join our alumni network here. We love hearing from ex-students and sharing news.

And finally...

Don't forget to keep checking the website FAQs over the summer

The latest news and information is posted on the COVID-19 web page here. This contains the most up-to-date news and information on college opening times, support and guidance, including for UCAS and careers, as well as wellbeing guidance and support. You can also check our social media posts: Twitter - @studentservs and @bhasvic, Facebook and Instagram

We look forward to seeing some of our A2 students on results day and hearing from many of them through our alumni network. Thanks once again for all your support as parents and carers throughout their time at the college.

Best wishes,

Alison Cousens Assistant Principal (Director of Student Services)