

REF: RJH/tlb

Wednesday 3rd March 2021

Year 7 Staggered Return to School – Thursday 11th March 2021

Dear Parent and Carers

Thank you for the overwhelming support regarding consent for the testing programme we are planning to undertake in school from next week as we welcome back our students full-time from Monday 8th March. The purpose of the first test is to identify Asymptomatic cases within our community to help reduce the transmission of the disease. All students will then undergo 2 further tests in school, which will ensure they are able to complete the tests competently in preparation for 'home test' kits to be sent home the week beginning 22nd March.

To date we have received over 1300 consents for the testing which amounts to nearly 75% of the student body. You can still provide consent via the link below or via the school website.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=MjQhASu44EG1mk3b0Ny_WpfVqRDGbf1Ai4V71eY41vNUQk9BNEQwSUpNV0JYOEZYT1ZWVUw2TEhHWC4u

Below are the specific times we would like your child to come onto the school site on Thursday. Students are allocated a time based on their Tutor Group and have been allocated a specific hall to go to on Thursday. Please can you stress to your child the following key points:

- Students must go directly to their allocated hall either in the Main or Quay Hall
- Students will collect their new timetable upon entering the hall and then will be asked to sit on a chair and await to be called forward for their test
- After the test, students will remain in the sports hall, socially distanced, until the result of the test. This will take 30 minutes and students must stay seated and not socialise. They will be able to use their mobile phones as entertainment if needed.
- Students will not be allowed to socialise with other students prior to the first test being completed nor enter the school building other than to go direct to their allocated hall.

Students travelling by bus have also been allocated a specific hall to go to directly when they disembark the buses, as and when they arrive at school between 8:05 and 8:35.

If your child is absent from school on their allocated return day please contact the school to inform us when they will return so that we can make the necessary arrangements for them regarding testing.

If you have **not** given consent for your child to be tested then your child should still return to school at the allocated time for their form but go directly to their timetabled lesson to be registered.

Student Return – Thursday 11 th March 2021		
Year 7		
Bus	Quay Hall	Main Hall
	TH030, TH051, TH072 & TH085	TH010, TH076, TH041 & TH031
Time	Quay Hall	Main Hall
09:10	EJF & MEC	SKY
09:30		JDK
09:50		SMB & TEF
10:20	ACR	
11:20	LJE	KHS & JED
11:40	ADT	

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any further questions.

Yours sincerely



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