

REF: RJH/tlb

Wednesday 3rd March 2021

Year 9 Staggered Return to School – Friday 12th March

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 Friday. Students are allocated a time based on their Tutor Group and have been allocated a specific hall to go to on Friday. 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 – Friday 12 th March 2021		
Year 9		
Bus	Quay Hall	Main Hall
	TH085, TH010, TH012 & TH076	TH031, TH030, TH041 & TH051
Time	Quay Hall	Main Hall
09:10	EMW	CGH & EMH
09:30	KIC	
10:20	DWT	
11:20	CJT	JNK & PBD
11:40	JMH	
11:50		SGR
14:00		CES

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

Yours sincerely



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