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Phased Return to School in September, uniform reminder and testing for all students

Dear Parents and Carers

I trust you and your families have enjoyed the summer so far; you are possibly now looking forward to a slightly quieter town as we approach September and the return to school. We are looking forward to welcoming our new Year 7 students into the Tretherras family and the return of all our year groups over the next few weeks.

Uniform

We would like to remind you of our uniform expectations at Tretherras. We know that our uniform has an important part to play in generating a sense of belonging to our school community and in supporting our high expectations of good behaviour and pride in our school. 'NT Ready' is an important part of our tutorial programme and, every Monday, our form tutors ensure that students are correctly presented and equipped for the week ahead, so that they can successfully access their learning.

Uniform, Piercings, Hair Colour

As we start to prepare for the new academic year, can we please ask that you support us by ensuring that any new piercings have healed, as we only allow one earring per ear and **do not allow any other facial piercings**. Can we also ask that hair colours and styles are returning to those accepted by our Uniform Policy, which you can find on the school website <https://tretherras.net/nt-uniform/>

If you require any clarification about our uniform rules, or need financial assistance, please do not hesitate to contact your son/daughter's Head of Year, who will be happy to help.

Can I also take this opportunity to remind you that students will be attending school in full school uniform each day and will get changed for their PE lessons.

Face masks and school transport

Students travelling on public and or school contract buses are still expected to wear a face mask. Students are welcome to wear face masks in and around school should they wish to.

Phased Return to School

I would like to also remind you we are having a phased return for all students when we return in September. The reason for the phased return is because there is an expectation by the government and Public Health England that all secondary school children will be tested upon their return to school prior to them going back into the classroom. Whilst testing is not compulsory, we are hoping you will support us in Asymptomatic Testing to ensure that all students and staff can return to school safely.

Please note that the Asymptomatic tests which will be carried out in September in school will be **nasal tests only** and are called Orient Gene Lateral Flow Tests. These are different to the Lateral Flow tests that we have supplied your child with to date.

We are asking all students to be tested the day before school starts for their respective year group. Please see below your child's day and test time. The timetable is also available on our school website.

Your child does not have to wear school uniform for the test and the whole process will take no more than 15 minutes. We encourage parent and carers to drop their children off near to school and then wait for them to take them home immediately after their test. We will contact anyone who tests positive, and your child should receive notification of their test result within 24 hours from the NHS.

Please ensure your child arrives 5 minutes ahead of their test time.

Students must only arrive on the school site at their specified time and will be directed to go to the school sports hall via the side fire exit doors, accessed via the main car park.

All students are being tested in their respective form groups.

Students are expected to then, attend school as normal, in full school uniform, the day after their first test date set out below.

I am sure you appreciated this is a massive undertaking for a school with over 1750 students and we thank you and our students in advance of this return to school. I will email and post on the school social media outlets the specific times for year groups in the week leading up to our return as a reminder.

Those taking the test will be supervised by trained staff. We can also offer additional support for any students with an EHCP or who have any anxiety about the testing.

Along with the other protective measures we are taking, these tests will help staff and students to remain in school safely. Up to one third of people who have coronavirus experience no

symptoms. By testing, we will help to stop the virus spread and help to keep our school open as safely as possible.

If your child has tested positive for COVID within the last 90 days (since the 1st June) they **do not** need to engage in the onsite Orient Gene Lateral Flow Testing. **Please inform the school via enquiries@tretherras.net if this is the case so we can update our internal records.**

All students will then be tested a 2nd time during the week beginning 6th September and this will take place during the normal school day.

What if a student tests positive?

Participating staff and students who test positive will be informed about their results individually. Where participants are under 16, parents or legal guardians will also be notified. Guidance on safe travel and additional precautions will be provided along with test results.

Students with a positive result will need to take a further 'PCR test' (similar to those done in local and regional testing sites) on the same day (or as soon as possible). If this is the case, please visit www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test or call 119 to book a follow-up test. If ordering a PCR test yourselves, you should choose to visit a drive-through/walk through test site if possible, as it is faster than requesting a home test.

Programme of Student Test and Go at Newquay Tretherras in September

| Student Return - 01.09.2021 | |
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| Year 7 | |
| Time | Form Group |
| 8:30 | FLB |
| 8:45 | HAB |
| 9:00 | NAC |
| 9:15 | MJJ |
| 9:30 | GAJ |
| 9:45 | YHK |
| 10:00 | LSN |
| 10:15 | KHP |
| 10:30 | ANR |
| 10:45 | SGS |
| 11:15 | EIW |

| Student Return - 01.09.2021 | |
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| Year 12 & 13 | |
| Time | Form Group |
| 11:30 | GIB (HMB) |
| 11:45 | ATM |
| 12:00 | CAH |
| 12:15 | DJM |
| 12:30 | ECC |
| 12:45 | TEF (ADM) |
| 13:00 | JH |
| 13:55 | LJF |
| 14:10 | SLH |
| 14:30 | TRW |

| Student Return - 02.09.2021 | |
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| Year 11 | |
| Time | Form Group |
| 8:30 | CLR |
| 8:45 | DJB |
| 9:00 | LYS (ECB) |
| 9:15 | ITV |
| 9:30 | JSW |
| 9:45 | KAS |
| 10:00 | ROG (LYS) |
| 10:15 | MOL |
| 10:30 | PES |
| 10:45 | RHK |

| Student Return - 02.09.2021 | |
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| Year 9 | |
| Time | Form Group |
| 11:15 | BJM |
| 11:30 | BMS |
| 11:45 | EJA |
| 12:00 | ERA |
| 12:15 | ESH |
| 12:30 | LCS (JLK) |
| 12:45 | JSS |
| 13:00 | KSB |
| 13:55 | PPV |
| 14:10 | SAP |
| 14:30 | SIR |
| 14:45 | TAW |

| Student Return - 03.09.2021 | |
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| Year 10 | |
| Time | Form Group |
| 8:30 | CES |
| 8:45 | CGH |
| 9:00 | CJT |
| 9:15 | DWT |
| 9:30 | EMH |
| 9:45 | EMW |
| 10:00 | CR (JMH) |
| 10:15 | KF (JNK) |
| 10:30 | KIC |
| 10:45 | LOJ (PBD) |
| 11:15 | SGR |

| Student Return - 03.09.2021 | |
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| Year 8 | |
| Time | Form Group |
| 11:30 | ACR |
| 11:45 | ADT |
| 12:00 | EJF |
| 12:15 | JDK |
| 12:30 | JED |
| 12:45 | KHS |
| 13:00 | LJE |
| 13:55 | MEC |
| 14:10 | SKY |
| 14:30 | SMB |
| 14:45 | ACM (TEF) |

Therefore, students' full return to school is as follows:

Year 7 and 12 – Thursday 2nd September

Year 9, 11 and 13 – Friday 3rd September

Year 8 and 10 – Monday 6th September

Please do not hesitate to contact the school via the enquiries@tretherras.net email if you have any questions about the return to school programme for September.

Yours sincerely



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