



9 December 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 10

As we approach the end of term, we are writing to you to outline the arrangements for the beginning of term in January 2022.

As you are probably aware, the Government has again asked that schools test all students once on their return to school with an LFD test, to keep our community safe.

Consent

Testing remains voluntary and we require consent for each student individually. We can no longer rely on your consent for testing in school that was given earlier this year and so need to seek your consent again. We must have parental consent for anyone under 16 years of age before we can test them. The consent form also contains the option to decline consent so we ask that everyone completes this form even if you do not wish your child to be tested. The consent form is completed through this google form <https://forms.gle/mqwCsorZo3k5E63y7>. The latest Testing Privacy notice can be found on the school website.

Please complete the consent form as soon as possible and at the latest by the end of term whether you consent or not. The school will be closed over the Christmas break and we will be unable to follow up or answer queries before Tuesday 4 January 2022.

Testing Schedule

In line with Government guidance, to enable us to test the whole school, we are phasing year groups' return to school. The timetable for the return of your child in Year 10, starting with their LFD test, is as below:

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Wednesday 5 January 2022 LFD Test 1 Main Hall, entrance via the Foyer	Patterson	10.00am
	Evers	10.30am
	Davis	11.00am
	Curnock	11.30am

Students will remain in school following their test and should arrive in full school uniform. Students should wear face coverings in the test centre and wait in the Hub with their teacher for results before moving to their lesson.



Testing will take place in the main Hall and students should walk around the school past the Sports Hall to enter via the Foyer, which is at the back of the hall. **Students should not attend for their test or school if they are unwell. Face coverings will be required in the test centre and when waiting for their test results.**

Remote Lessons

Live remote lessons will be delivered to Year 10 as follows:

Tuesday 4 January - registration with Tutors at 13:00 then lessons P4 and P5.

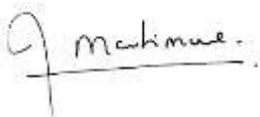
Live lessons will be delivered via Microsoft Teams. Students should pick up invitations to these via Satchel:One and should click on the link there to join at the start of lessons. Students should join with cameras and microphones switched off and should await instructions. Teams is the key platform but alongside this, teachers may invite students to join a Google Classroom. Students should not experience any difficulties with either platform but if issues emerge, some materials from our [training materials](#) page (from lockdown) may be of assistance. Students should be familiar with our [online behaviour protocols](#).

While students should be able to see invitations via the Teams calendar, we would ask that students use Satchel:One as their route into live lessons. In exceptional circumstances, some of the lessons may not be delivered live and in these cases, teachers will set work and provide instructions/resources on Satchel:One.

This letter and the overall testing schedule will be available on the school's website.

We hope you have a safe and enjoyable Christmas break.

Yours faithfully



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Headteacher



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