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Friday 9th July 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

Last day arrangements and details for the start of the new term

As we approach the end of the academic year, we reflect back on a year which presented many and wide-ranging challenges for our students, families, staff and the school. We are proud of the support we have been able to give to our students through this time and recognise the enormous support which you as families have given the school as well, for which we are hugely grateful.

End of term arrangements:

The last day of this term is Tuesday 20th July. We will operate a slightly early finish for students on this last day with a staggered dismissal as follows:

- Y7 & 10 students will depart at 13.45
- Y12 students will depart at 13:55
- Y8 & 9 students will depart at 14.00

We thank you for your support with our amended arrangements for the final day of term. Should you have any concerns please communicate using the usual channels.

Return to school in September

Looking ahead to the next academic year, we look forward to welcoming students back to school, with some of the greater freedoms. Lessons will take place in subject based classrooms, allowing students full access to our specialist spaces. We are also pleased that we can return to a single start and end time for the day for all our students, rather than the staggered start and ends of this year.

Arrival and departure times

In September, students' arrival time will be from **8.30am**, with our first lesson starting at **8.45am**. We expect all students to arrive on time for the start of their school day. The school day will end at **3.00pm**, although those students in exam years will often be invited to take part in additional support and intervention sessions which will run after the end of the school day.



Phased return to different year groups

To induct our students fully into school at the start of term, the start of term will be a **phased return** for different year groups. At the present time we are planning on the following start dates for each year group. However, this is clearly dependent on the national picture and may be subject to change.

- Years 7, 11 and 12 Start Friday 3rd September
- Years 10 and 13 Start Monday 6th September
- Year 9 Start Tuesday 7th September
- Year 8 Start Wednesday 8th September

Covid-19 lateral flow device testing

Over the summer, all students should continue to test twice weekly at home and report results to both the school survey using the following [link](#) and the NHS website – please click [here](#).

On their return to school in September, all students will be given the opportunity to take two Lateral Flow Tests on school site. It is clearly in the interests of the school and its community that as many students as possible take up this opportunity to be tested on their return to school. We will be in touch shortly with those families who have not previously provided consent for this.

From 16th August, children under of the age of 18 will no longer have to self-isolate if they are contacted by NHS Test & Trace as a close contact of a positive Covid-19 case. Instead, they will be advised to take a PCR test.

England match Sunday 11th July

We are delighted that England have reached the Euro 2020 final and hope that many families will enjoy watching this event. We would like to take this opportunity to confirm that school will be open following normal timings on Monday.

Next week we will send out more detailed information to support you with ensuring that your children are fully prepared for the start of term in September.

Wishing you and your families a restful weekend.

Best wishes,

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Lauren Phillips
Vice Principal

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A Ayres', written in a cursive style.

Amanda Ayres
Vice Principal