

Dear Parents / Carers

### Return dates

This will be my final email before we return to school next week. I have been made aware that there is slight confusion about return dates so I hope this clears it up.

- Years 10, 11, 12 & 13 to return on Monday.
- Years 8 & 9 to return on Tuesday.
- Year 7 to return on Wednesday.

College students will have been tested before they **return on Monday**. Years 10 & 11 will be tested when **they return on Monday**. Years 8 & 9 will be tested when **they return on Tuesday**. Year 7 will be tested when **they return on Wednesday**. Any student who misses their testing day for any reason will be tested as soon as we can fit them in. If your child records a positive test during the school testing we will inform you straight away so you can come and collect them, and they will then need to isolate for 10 days. Anyone they identify as a close contact will also need to isolate for ten days.

Work will be set on Teams for students until they return to school.

### Home testing

Once your child has been tested three times at school we will give them Home Testing kits. This means everyone will be able to test regularly. We will set up a system for you to inform us of the results of the tests you carry out at home. If at any point anyone records a positive test, you must inform the school straight away. More information and guidance will follow.

### Whole school Risk Assessment measures

When we return, it is important for students to understand the testing process is not an alternative to the routines they have become used to. The basis for reducing the spread of the virus has not changed, and we will expect them to adhere to the routines we have established over the last term. The essentials encourage distancing and ensure high levels of hygiene -

- washing and sanitising hands every lesson
- sanitising work spaces every lesson
- sticking to the one way system
- sticking to the year group allocated areas
- wearing face coverings indoors at all times when 2 metre distancing cannot be maintained
- adjusted timings to the day to keep year groups apart

Please can I ask that if possible you send your child to school with their own hand sanitiser, like so many of you did before; this means the lesson by lesson hand sanitising is quicker, as well as reducing the number of students who might handle the school provided sanitiser.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely

Tim Gibbs