



13th September 2020

Dear Parents / Carers,

After our first full week back in school we have reviewed a number of areas in relation to the procedures in place in the school to keep everyone safe. Please see below for a number of reminders and a change in relation to PE.

Please only send your child to school if they are well. If you are unsure please err on the side of caution. Below is a reminder of what to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID 19 and the symptoms to be aware of.

- If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19 and then has a positive test, they should remain at home for at least 10 days from the date when their symptoms appeared.
- All other household members who remain well must stay at home and not leave the house for 14 days.
- The 14-day period starts from the day when the first person in the house became ill.
- Household members should not go to work, school or public areas and exercise should be taken within the home.
- Household members staying at home for 14 days will greatly reduce the overall amount of infection the household could pass on to others in the community
- If you can, move any vulnerable individuals (such as the elderly and those with underlying health conditions) out of your home, to stay with friends or family for the duration of the home isolation period.

The most common symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are recent onset of:

- new continuous cough and/or
- high temperature and/or
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

If your child displays any of these symptoms please contact NHS 111 for advice before sending them to school.

Signs or symptoms of COVID-19 in children can include:

- Fatigue
- Headache
- Myalgia (muscle pain)
- Nasal congestion or rhinorrhoea
- Sore throat
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Abdominal pain
- Diarrhoea
- Nausea or vomiting
- Poor appetite or poor feeding

For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.

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If your child does develop symptoms, you can seek advice from NHS 111 at <https://111.nhs.uk/covid-19/> or by phoning 111.

Travel

- It is good to see so many students cycling to school, the cycle racks are now located at the front of the site.
- Students must wear face coverings on buses - drivers will refuse to drive unless every student is wearing a face covering.
- Please do not come into the car park to drop off or collect students.
- We have had a number of complaints from our neighbours and other road users about parking at the end of the day. Please be considerate when parking and park well away from the school entrances.

In school

As a school it is very important that we follow Government guidelines and Public Health England advice, because the students are taught in a year group bubble it means if one or more students in that year are taken ill, there is the potential that the whole year group will have to self isolate for 2 weeks.

Students who refuse to comply with the arrangements in school designed to keep everyone safe must expect to be disciplined

Students are encouraged to wear face coverings in shared areas such as corridors.

Please remember that at present there is no canteen service available at break and a limited grab and go service at lunch – you may therefore want to send students in with a snack for break time.

Please ensure students have a water bottle, particularly with the hot weather forecast this week. For hygiene reasons the water fountains cannot be in use.

PE lessons

We have further considered the practicality of students wearing uniform for PE lessons and taken on board some of the feedback we've had. Particularly in light of the hot weather forecast this week.

As a result, the timetable will be split so that KS3 (years 7-9) complete practical lessons during week A and complete theory lessons during week B, KS4 (years 10 -11) will complete practical lessons in week B and theory lessons during week A.

For the practical lessons students will be expected to get changed in the changing rooms and have appropriate footwear for the activity they are completing.

Tomorrow (14th) is the start of week A.

Visitors

All visitors must wear a face covering if they come to reception and may be asked to wait outside if the reception area is busy.

We are in this together and have to rely on each other to do the right thing and follow the government guidance to protect the people we love.

Yours sincerely

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