

Principal: Mr Paul Willerton

Monday 13 December 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

As detailed in my letter on Wednesday 8 December, in the new year students will be returning on a staggered start to allow the academy to test those students where consent is given.

The request from the Department for Education is that all students are tested using a Lateral Flow test <u>on the academy site</u> before they return. Students will only be tested where consent is given. Please be aware, that the advice is not to give consent to a test if your child has tested positive for Covid-19 within the last 90 days. The plans for your child returning are below:

Students in Years 11, 12 & 13 will return on <u>Tuesday 4 January</u>. It is incredibly important that students from these year groups do not miss any more education, especially as some of the students will have official examination units in January 2022.

Year 11 - All students are <u>expected to arrive on Tuesday as normal, before 8.35am</u>. The testing centre will open at 8.00am and will begin testing straight away.

For those students for whom we do not have consent, they will enter site and attend their Ready To Learn class as normal. For students where consent has been given, they will go directly to the testing centre, where they will then be tested. Once we have the negative result, students will re-join the academy site to attend their normal timetabled lessons.

We aim for all testing to be completed by the end of period 1 so that students are then back in their normal lessons by period 2.

Years 12 & 13 - All students are <u>expected to arrive on Tuesday at 9.00am</u>. For those students for whom we do not have consent, they will enter site and attend their lessons from period 2 as normal.

For students where consent has been given, they will be directed to the testing centre, where they will then be tested. Once we have the negative result, students will re-join the academy site to attend their normal timetabled lessons. We aim for all testing to be completed by the end of period 1 so that students are then back in their normal lessons by period 2.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch with any queries or if you need any support.

Yours faithfully

Mr P Willerton Principal



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