

Dear Parents/Carers,

Full Return to school in September

As the academic year comes to an end I would like to thank you for all your support during this truly extraordinary period. To complete our annual reporting cycle teachers have entered Attitude to Learning grades, these reports will be available on line by 24th July. These grades are based on the evidence of work seen by teachers; practical subjects have reflected attitudes demonstrated before lockdown. We appreciate students may have completed additional work not yet seen by teachers so any student feeling unfairly graded should speak to their tutors in the new academic year.

As you will be aware from the national news all students will return to school full time in September and school attendance is once again mandatory.

Years 7 and 11 will return on Monday 7th September 2020
Years 8, 9 and 10 will return on Tuesday 8th September 2020

Students will be required to wear full school uniform and the use of mobile phones on site will again be prohibited. The Department of Education has issued guidance on how schools should operate to keep students safe from the COVID19 virus. Each year group must form a separate bubble and have only limited interactions with students in other year groups. To comply with these requirements we are introducing a number of measures as listed below:

- On arrival to school each year group will be required to assemble in a designated area
- Break and Lunches will be staggered throughout the day by year group
- Food options available from our canteen will be limited
- Classrooms will be arranged with all desks facing forward and students seated side by side
- Social distancing will be required between students and teachers
- The curriculum activities will be adapted to reduce physical interaction between students
- Mixed ability groups will be introduced in some subjects to reduce class size
- Face coverings are strongly advised on school buses but must be removed on arrival at school
- Students are asked not to arrive on site until 8.30am
- The cash "top up" machines will be closed [you will receive a separate letter regarding this change]
- Stationery equipment cannot be shared and so all students are asked to bring their own as detailed overleaf

If your child or anyone in your home displays COVID19 symptoms, your child must not attend school, please seek medical advice and advise us the absence is COVID19 related immediately. Students will be required to engage with the regular cleaning of their desks and equipment and will be expected to use the hand sanitizer provided in all rooms. While students will need to adjust to these changes, school will essentially be the same as students remember. They should not worry about the new rules as everything will be explained when we reopen. We hope everyone enjoys the summer break and we look forward to seeing you all again in September.

Yours sincerely,



Mr N. K. Willingham
Headteacher

Student Stationery List

Due to COVID19 Safety measures, teachers will no longer be able to lend out stationery items. It is therefore more important than ever that students bring their own equipment. We recommend the following items:

- Pens (Spares are needed in case one "runs out")
- Pencils (including 2B for Art lessons)
- Rubber
- Sharpener
- Ruler
- Scientific Calculator
- Black handwriting pen for Art

It would also be worth investing in the following if possible:

- Set of pencil crayons
- English Dictionary
- French Dictionary [Yrs7,8,9] Plus Yr 10 and 11 students studying French
- Set of Art pencils
- Different colour pens

In addition the following items would be useful now equipment cannot be shared:

- A Highlighter
- A pair of scissors
- A glue stick