

Friday 4th December 2020

Dear Parents and Carers of Year 7, Year 8, Year 10 and Year 11 Students

We have a much improved staffing picture for next week, with the majority of staff returning to work over the course of this week.

We are therefore pleased to confirm that **Year 7, Year 8, Year 10 and Year 11 students can attend school as normal from Monday 7th December.**

We are also pleased to confirm that out of 1000 students and 183 staff, we currently have no staff Covid cases, and only two students who have had confirmed Covid cases, but they are nearing the end of their isolation and are due back in school on Monday.

In order to keep students and staff safe in school, I'd like to remind you that all students (and staff) must wear masks in secondary schools in corridors and social spaces.

Please ensure your child brings a mask to school on Monday; **if a student arrives at school without a mask, we will ask them to purchase a mask from reception for 50p or return home to collect one before returning** to the academy. We will contact parents/carers before sending the student home; of course, students can return to learning immediately once they return with a mask.

Asking students to return home is not a decision we take lightly. To reduce the need for your child to return home, we recommend that they store spare masks in their school bags in case one breaks or gets lost during the day. Fabric masks do not break so easily so it may better value in the long term to purchase some.

If your child is exempt from wearing a mask for medical or other reasons, and you have not already contacted school, please do so as soon as possible. The above will not apply to those students.

Finally, next week we will be collecting non perishable food and toiletry items, to donate to the local food banks. There is no expectation for a student to donate, but if they wish to they can bring it to reception.

Very best wishes,



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