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Head Teacher: Mr D R Thompson

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Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to wish you a very happy new year, and to give you further details about the start of the new term.

As you know, pupils in Years 7, 10 and 11 are in school for testing on Wednesday 5 January and Years 8 and 9 are in for testing on Thursday 6 January. Years 7, 10 and 11 will return to school on Thursday 6 January and Years 8 and 9 will return on Friday 7 January. Pupils should report to the relevant yard at the normal time.

When pupils return, we will be following the latest government guidance: all pupils are required to wear a face covering when they are inside the school building, including in classrooms, unless they are medically exempt. Pupils with an exemption should wear their red badge. Pupils should bring their own face covering, and a spare, to school each day. We understand that wearing a face covering for sustained periods is a challenge, and I ask for your cooperation in supporting the school with this. It is in response to the huge rise in COVID-19 cases that the country is experiencing at the moment. Government guidance will be reviewed on Wednesday 26 January, and I will inform parents and carers of any changes. Pupils will continue to have break and lunch times outside, unless the weather is extreme. Pupils are not required to wear face coverings outside of the school building, but should wear them when lining up to come in.

All pupils should continue with lateral flow tests twice weekly. This is extremely important, at the moment, given the local and national picture. If your child tests positive or shows any symptoms of COVID, they must not attend school. They will need to book a confirmatory PCR test (<https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>).

If someone else in your household has COVID, but your child does not have symptoms, the current guidance is that they must do a lateral flow test every day for 7 days and continue to attend school as normal, unless they test positive.

We will continue to work very hard to keep the school open for learning. At the moment, we do not know how the current situation might develop and the impact it may have. If your child does not have access to a computer at home, please let us know as soon as possible. We are hoping that we will not face any further school closures, but we do need to have contingency arrangements in place.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Yours sincerely

Mr D R Thompson
Head Teacher



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