



Executive Headteacher: Mrs L. A. Gwinnett

31st December 2020

Dear Parents,

January Update

As you receive this, we hope you, your families and friends are well and that you have had some joy, rest and recuperation this Christmas.

We are sorry to be contacting you on New Year's Eve but we thought you would appreciate further clarification on the updated arrangements for the start of the spring term in light of the Department for Education announcement yesterday.

Week beginning 4th January

Monday January 4th and Tuesday 5th January 2021 will still be INSET days for staff to enable planning for the change in provision. **School will be closed for all students on these days as per our letters before the Christmas break.**

All students in Year 7 – 11 will be provided with home learning via Class Charts in line with their usual timetable for Wednesday 6th January to Friday 8th January.

Vulnerable/high needs and critical key worker children in Year 7 – 11 will be given the opportunity to work in school (Wednesday to Friday) and you will be contacted on Monday 4th January if we understand that this applies to you. If you need your child to be added to this list, please email enquiries@burscoughprioryacademy.org and outline the reason.

There were a series of Year 9 catch up vaccinations scheduled for Thursday 7th January. We have received notification that these have been postponed and you will be contacted with another time as and when this is arranged by the School Health Team.

Week beginning 11th January

Year 11 will be expected in school from Monday 11th January onwards. Classes will be split in their first week back to enable a full two metre distance between students, but the full curriculum will be delivered.

Our provision for vulnerable, high needs students and the children of key workers will continue during this week.

Year 7 – 10 will continue to work from home on their remote learning.





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In addition:

- In both these weeks, students normally in receipt of free school meals will be issued with Edenred vouchers
- Buses will run for the students in school
- All students working from home will receive calls to discuss their wellbeing and motivation from our staff
- Any students due to sit BTEC exams in January will be contacted separately once we have reviewed the latest guidance on Monday 4th January
- As things currently stand, all students will be expected in school from Monday 18th January.

We genuinely appreciate that all of this ongoing disruption is hugely disappointing. We would always prefer to have our students in school, but we also appreciate that this action by the Government is to provide some kind of 'circuit break' for the transmission of the virus which is now spreading rapidly.

Testing in schools

We are still to decipher fully the information we have received about testing in schools and we will send you an update in January once this is finalised. We will continue to respond positively to any initiatives which are for the benefit of our school community as and when they have been fully thought through and it is safe to do so.

Our best wishes

Finally, we would like to thank you once again for your support, patience and kindness. Your kind messages of support for what we have been doing continue to be very much appreciated.

We remain committed to making decisions in the best interests of the health and safety of everyone in school and in our communities.

Yours faithfully,

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