



**Carr Hill High School**  
**A Guide to the New Academic**  
**Year 2021-22**  
**for Parents, Staff & Students**

## Introduction

With the ending of wide scale restrictions nationally, schools can return in September 2021 without many of the measures that are currently in place. Information from the Department for Education states:

Measures that must stay	What has changed
School Risk Assessment	Year groups no longer to be kept in bubbles
Covid outbreak management plan	Face coverings no longer required
Good hand hygiene	Social distancing no longer required
Appropriate cleaning routines	No need to send close contacts of a positive case home
Good ventilation in classrooms	Residential trips can resume
Sending home a student with symptoms	
Not coming into school if you have symptoms or a positive test result	
Twice weekly tests at home until at least the end of September	
Schools retaining their capacity for remote education for any students isolating	

We are certainly hoping that we can have an academic year without the significant disruption of the past two and allow our staff and students to experience more normal times while keeping everyone safe.

## Start of Term

To ensure that we are able to have a covid free start to the academic year, the DfE is also asking schools to facilitate students having 2 lateral flow tests in school. Schools are allowed to stagger the start of the term to facilitate this and so Year 10 will start one day later than published originally.

We are collecting consent again and that has been sent out via Forms to current students in the headteacher's letter for current Years 7-10. No one will be tested where we do not have consent or who refuses on the day.

Parents/carers of students who will start Year 7 in September please go to the following link to complete the consent form. Returns are required even if consent is not being given.

[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=KmRPY3CzdEmmLdv4oiFT5bfXpr6a\\_0xBjwJna6CVWNUNzUzMU9GTEtIS1FORzZUMVU3Q0w0UEpLVC4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=KmRPY3CzdEmmLdv4oiFT5bfXpr6a_0xBjwJna6CVWNUNzUzMU9GTEtIS1FORzZUMVU3Q0w0UEpLVC4u)

So that we can start term as quickly as possible we are planning to roll out the testing in the following way and I would ask that wherever possible students do come in the day before they start school to have the first test.

**Students coming in for testing should arrive through the top gate and go to the Dome.**

- **Friday September 3<sup>rd</sup>**
  - **New Year 7** students asked to come in for lateral flow tests in the morning 9-11am
    - Surnames A-G 9.00-9.30am
    - Surnames H-L 9.30-10.00am
    - Surnames M-R 10.00-10.30am
    - Surnames S-Z 10.30-11.00am
  - **Year 11** students asked to come in for lateral flow tests 12noon-2.00pm
    - Surnames A-G 12.00-12.30pm
    - Surnames H-L 12.30-1.00pm
    - Surnames M-R 1.00-1.30pm
    - Surnames S-Z 1.30-2.00pm

- **Monday September 6<sup>th</sup>**
  - **Years 7 and 11** start school
  - **Year 8** students asked to come in for lateral flow tests between 11am and 1pm
    - Surnames A-G 11.00-11.30am
    - Surnames H-L 11.30-12.00noon
    - Surnames M-R 12.00-12.30pm
    - Surnames S-Z 12.30-1.00pm
  - **Year 9** students asked to come in for lateral flow tests between 1.30 and 3.30pm
    - Surnames A-G 1.30-2.00pm
    - Surnames H-L 2.00-2.30pm
    - Surnames M-R 2.30-3.00pm
    - Surnames S-Z 3.00-3.30pm
- **Tuesday September 7<sup>th</sup>**
  - **Years 8 and 9** start school
  - **Year 10** asked to come in for lateral flow tests between 11.00am and 1.00pm
    - Surnames A-G 11.00-11.30am
    - Surnames H-L 11.30-12.00noon
    - Surnames M-R 12.00-12.30pm
    - Surnames S-Z 12.30-1.00pm
- **Wednesday September 8<sup>th</sup>**
  - **Year 10** start school
- Second tests will take place during the school day as follows
  - Thursday September 9<sup>th</sup>: Years 7 and 11
  - Friday September 10<sup>th</sup>: Years 8 and 9
  - Monday September 13<sup>th</sup>: Year 10

### **Attendance**

Attendance at school is of course compulsory and students should only be absent from school:

- if they have coronavirus (been tested positive), are displaying symptoms of coronavirus (and are waiting test results) or are isolating because a **member of their household** has coronavirus/is displaying symptoms.
- If they are ill
- for a reason of religious observance

Please follow the usual requirements for informing school of absence and our follow up procedures for any absence where no reason is provided are all in place.

Please remember that no holidays will be authorised in term time.

### **Uniform**

In September we will return to full uniform for all students and there will be no exception on PE or Dance days – students will go back to getting changed for PE and Dance. Please help us to maintain high standards of uniform by checking uniform each day. Please remember only one pair of stud earrings are allowed to be worn and in the lobe of the ear – anything else will need to be removed. Only one ring is allowed, shirts should be tucked in and skirts not rolled up. There should be no extreme haircut and only natural hair colour. We make no apologies for wanting high standards of uniform and pride in appearance.

## Equipment

Students are expected to have all the equipment they need for learning and again, please check that they have this each day. Mentors will make regular equipment checks. Students are expected to have:

- A school bag that must be able to store an A4 sized folder, books and PE kit
- Pens – black or blue ink and Purple
- Two HB pencils for general use
- Coloured pencils
- Pencil Eraser
- Pencil Sharpener
- 30 cm ruler
- A scientific calculator
- Compass
- Protractor – transparent
- Pencil case – transparent for exams
- Highlighter (optional)
- A4 sketch book (£1 available from the Art Department in school)
- Headphones

Students in Years 8-11 should also still have the equipment they were given by school – a whiteboard with pen and eraser, scissors and glue. We will arrange this for Year 7.

### On arrival at school

There is no longer the need for separate entrances and so all students will arrive through the top gates next to the bus turn. We will continue to ask students to sanitise their hands as they arrive. We are maintaining the separate yards before school and at break and the use of separate toilet facilities as this has proved beneficial in so many ways

year	yard	Wet weather	toilets	Head of Year	SLT link
7	Humanities	Hub	Hub	Mr Penney	Miss Jordinson
8	Hub yard near IT/ Maths	Dining room	IT	Mrs O'Donnell	Mr Waller
9	New Dining room yard	New dining room	Dining room	Mrs Beesley	Mrs Darkin
10	Science yard	Gym	Benches	Miss Clancy	Mr Morton
11	Middle yard	Benches	Benches	Miss Coulthard	Miss Wareing

For PP students in receipt of free breakfast, provision will be made and students informed of the arrangements.

## The School Day

8.50am	Warning bell and line up in mentor groups on the yard. Mentors accompany classes to mentor rooms or hall for assembly
9.15am	Period one
10.15am	Period 2
11.15am	Break (Dining room service will resume and food pod will be open on the yard for Years 10 and 11)
11.30am`	Period 3 (students will line up on their yards)
12.30-13.05	Lunch for Years 7 and 8
13.05-14.05	Period 4 for Years 7 and 8
12.30-13.30	Period 4 for Years 9-11
13.30-14.05	Lunch for Years 9-11
14.05	Line up on year yards
14.10-15.10	Period 5

There will no longer need to be staggered bells at break, lunch or end of the day as we do not need to keep year groups apart.

Dining Service will return to a full meal service at lunch time. We have avoided the use of cash this year and would hope to do the same moving forward. Please continue to pay online for the dining rooms. Accounts will be set up for the new Year 7.

Staff will take their lunch break at the same time as the group they are teaching Period 4

### Lunch arrangements

	Lunch 12.30-13.05		13.30-14.05		
	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Hot food/ sandwiches	Dining rooms	Dining rooms	Dining rooms	Dining rooms Food pod on yard	Dining rooms Food pod on yard
Packed lunches	Hall	Hall/Benches	Hall	Hall/benches	Hall/benches
Outdoor space	Top yard	New dining room yard	New dining room yard	Science Yard	Middle Yard
Wet weather	Hall/benches/ stay in dining rooms	Hall/benches/ stay in dining rooms	Hall/ stay in dining rooms	Hall/benches/ stay in dining rooms	Hall/benches/ stay in dining rooms

### Fire Evacuation






If the fire alarm sounds then students will be directed to leave rooms in an orderly manner and line up in their year groups on year group yards. All bags should be left in classrooms.

### The Curriculum

We will return to the full curriculum offer:

- After school clubs will begin again, including Homework Club in the Hub
- Students will have their full allocation of PE
- We will be able to return to many practical activities that students have missed out on in lessons
- PSHE will be taught one lesson per week that will move through the timetable and will be delivered predominantly by mentors.
- Year 9 will have an options process in the Spring
- We are still waiting for Government announcements regarding any modifications to exams for Year 11 next summer but it is very much the plan that exams will resume in 2022

## Minimising risks in school – ongoing precautionary measures

	<p><b>CATCH IT</b></p> <p><b>BIN IT</b></p> <p><b>KILL IT</b></p> 	
<p>There will be lidded bins in all classrooms.</p>	<p>Posters remind all the school community about good respiratory hygiene and tissues are in every classroom. Students also encouraged to have their own supply of tissues.</p>	<p>Hand sanitiser will be at the school entrances, the entrance to each building and in every classroom. Students and staff will be expected to regularly sanitise their hands.</p>
		<p>Students displaying Covid symptoms will be asked to go home and get a PCR test.</p> <p>Don't come into school if displaying symptoms or have tested positive.</p>
<p>Anti bacterial spray is in every room.</p>	<p>Windows are to be open to aid ventilation.</p>	

## Behaviour

It has been really encouraging to have very positive feedback regarding behaviour from 2 recent external visitors to the school who were conducting formal reviews into our provision for PP students and our level of inclusion. High standards of behaviour come from high expectations and good systems. Our system of grading students' behaviour for learning each lesson has proved effective with 96% of all grades at 4 or above. Some students do make wrong choices at times and have to accept that there are consequences for that – especially when it harms the learning or wellbeing of others. In terms of sanctions

- The internal exclusion room will return to normal operation
- Detentions will be held in the hall on a different evening for each year group and will vary in length depending on the behaviours concerned.

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