

Friday 28th May 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come towards the end of the first part of the Summer term, we wanted to say well done to students for their resilience and commitment to their learning. It is the first full half term students have completed **in school** in 2020 and the vast majority of them have done themselves proud.

We wanted to let you know that next half term, the school will be releasing a new mobile phone policy to staff, parents and students. We became a mobile phone free school at the start of this academic year. The positive benefits of removing this distraction for students have been very clear. So, in advance of sharing the new policy, we wanted to remind students that **Chorlton High School is a no mobile phone school** and will remain so moving forward. We have had a period of time where we have supported this transition for students in Years 8-11. However, starting next half term we will be taking a zero tolerance approach to mobile phones. If they are seen in school, between the times of 8:25am and the end of the day, they will be confiscated.

Reporting positive cases of Covid-19

Once again as we move into the holidays, schools have been asked to continue tracking positive cases for first 5 days of the half term holiday. To facilitate this process we ask that parents let us know if your child tests positive over the next few days by emailing us on admin@chorltonhigh.manchester.sch.uk In addition to this, if your child has been identified as a student who has been a close contacted to someone who has tested positive within school, we will then contact you via email. We all hope that this will not be the case.

Progress checks reminder

Progress checks will take place for all students next half term during weeks 2 and 3 (starting 14th June). Students have been given home study planners with their English, Maths and Science dates and they can use these to add in the dates for their other tests. Information on what is on the checkpoints can be [found here on our website](#) and on the students' Year group Team site. <https://www.chorltonhigh.manchester.sch.uk/student-life/assessment-and-reporting/year-7-9-progress-testsound>

Face Coverings

As we return after half term **students will continue to wear face coverings in corridors and communal areas**. This is strongly advised at this time and will be regularly reviewed in line with the local transmission rates. Students no longer need to wear a face covering in the classroom. However, they may continue to wear them if they wish to do so. This situation is reviewed on a regular basis based on local public health advice and we will update parents if there are any changes to this.

We also want to remind families about the amazing contribution many of our students and staff have made to the Chorlton Arts Festival – a big thank you to them all for their hard work on this festival. Performances can be viewed via the school's YouTube channel, using the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCveVA560FkaYWM8G5DfBf2Q>

We wish you all a very happy and healthy half term break.

Kind regards,
Chorlton High School