



# Holy Family Catholic High School

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Dear Parent,

I hope you are all well and safe.

Once again, thank you all for your support, patience and feedback this term. The children have been amazing and we have all been so impressed with how they (and you) have adapted to the new ways of working and coped with remote learning on Teams whilst remaining so positive and cheerful (well, for most of the time!). I have a few more updates in preparation for next term.

This week's updates include:

## **Year 11 & 13 Reports**

Your child has a copy of their report and they were sent home yesterday. They are also accessible through the MyEd App.

## **Phased return to school in January**

Pupils in Years 11 & 13

- Timetabled lessons in school as normal from Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January.

Pupils in Years 7, 8, 9, 10 & 12

- Pupils will **not** return to school until Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January, unless they are vulnerable children or children of key workers.
- From Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January - Friday 8<sup>th</sup> January, all Years 7-10 and Year 12 pupils will have their lessons delivered online remotely through our Microsoft Teams platform. Your child should remain at home and work on Teams. Their teachers will be on-line for your child's lesson and they should follow their normal timetable and timings.

## **Vulnerable and Key Worker children**

Yesterday's survey for key workers was to give us an indication of how many key worker children may return on the 4<sup>th</sup> January to help us with our planning. If you are still undecided, or are unsure what you will do, don't worry, we can be as flexible as you need us to be. Please let us know if you have changed your mind so that we know who to expect in school on the 4<sup>th</sup>. All children identified as vulnerable will have received a call from school today.

## **Key dates for next half-term**

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January** Week B – return to school for Years 11 & 13. Remote learning for Years 7-10 & 12.

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January** Week A – return to school for Years 7-10 & 12.

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> January** – Reports sent home for Years 7, 10 & 12.

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January** Week B - Sixth Form Open Evening (more details to follow in the new year, this will be by appointment on the 'School Cloud' parents evening system).

**W/b Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January** – Year 11 & 13 mocks start.

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> January** – Reports sent home for Years 8 & 9.

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February** - Year 13 mock results day

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February** - Year 11 mock results day

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February** - Years 12 & 13 Parents Evening

### **COVID testing arrangements**

As you may have heard in the news, schools will play an increased part in COVID testing from January. I have a webinar later today and should know more then. I'll inform you of any further developments when we return in January.

### **COVID-19 results**

If your child tests positive or there is a positive case in your household, please email me on [covidpositivecase@holyfamilyhighschool.co.uk](mailto:covidpositivecase@holyfamilyhighschool.co.uk) . Use this address no matter what day/time of day and please include any details such as when your child started to have symptoms and who their friends/close contacts are in school, on the bus etc. This will help us alert anyone who may be affected.

I'll keep you informed as soon as I can if the government make any more announcements over the Christmas break but you will probably hear it the same time as we do, when it's announced on the news.

On behalf of all the staff, I would like to wish you and your loved ones a very merry and peaceful Christmas, and the very best for a happy New Year.

Best wishes and God Bless,

Mr Symes