

Dear parent/carer,

2nd December 2021

We are writing to let you know that governors have agreed for the school to have an *extra training day on Thursday the 6th of January*. This is because the government's recently published contingency plan for exams means that we will have to moderate our Year 11 mock exam results carefully and thoroughly within our departments. From 10.45am onwards on that day, Years 11 to 9 will be coming into school to be tested, as per DfE instructions, after which they will return home. A timetable for this will be provided nearer the time.

All students will return to school on Friday 7th of January. Our new headteacher, Mr Andrew Finn, will be giving an assembly to each year group in turn. Students in Years 7 and 8 will be tested in the morning before going to lessons. A more detailed programme for the two days will be circulated shortly.

<u>Masks</u>

As the final run into the Christmas holiday starts, I am writing to remind everybody of the importance of ensuring that students bring masks to school, as they are expected to wear them in corridors and indoor social spaces.

Lateral Flow Tests

Please ensure that you are using the home testing kits that we are sending home in your children's bags with your children on Wednesdays and Saturdays. If students test positive you should book a PCR test immediately.

Christmas Jumper Day

This will be held on Friday 10th December. The only change to normal dress will be the jumper. Students and staff should pay a £1 donation for Save the Children.

New Headteacher, Mr Finn

Mr Finn will be in school from Wednesday the 8th of December to ensure that the handover from Mr Wilson and Mr Bansal will be as smooth as possible.

We hope that you all keep well over this busy season and that you will be able to spend time with your families at Christmas.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Wilson and Mr Bansal























