



Moat Community College

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Dear Parent/Carer

This is my last letter of the year. I hope that it finds you safe and well. The national guidance around the covid virus changed last week, with a significant increase in safety measures. There has been no significant change to guidance about schools. However, we will continue to monitor the situation and communicate promptly if anything changes.

I have a few items to bring to your attention:

Masks

Our students are now wearing masks in school while moving around communal areas. The response to this requirement has been very positive; our students understand the need to play their part in keeping everyone in school safe. Could you ensure that you support us by ensuring that your son/daughter has their mask when they leave for school in the morning.

Lateral Flow Testing

I urge all parents to ensure that students take a lateral flow test twice per week. This will contribute to identifying positive cases and ensuring that the virus is not carried into school. Please log your test results using this link: [Test results](#)

Start of Term

The first day of term is Wednesday 5th January 2022. All students should be in school by 8.40am.

In School Covid Testing

When students return to school after the Christmas holiday, we again be undertaking a programme of in-school covid testing. If you have previously consented to your son/daughter taking a covid test, you do not need to do so again.

Taking part in the testing programme is voluntary, but I urge you to allow your son/daughter to take part.

If you have not yet consented, please use this link to do so:

[Consent to covid testing in school](#)

Year 11

Year 11 students recently completed their mock exams. I would like to congratulate them on their hard work and maturity. They have a 'mock results day' on Thursday 16th December, when they will find out their results. We await that date with excitement!

Period 7

This term Year 11 students have been staying in school for an extra lesson at the end of the school day. This is to help them catch up with lost learning caused by the covid crisis. The students have reacted very well to this support and have worked hard. I would like to thank all of the Moat staff, who have volunteered to teach this extra lesson. It is an excellent example of how much our staff care for and support our students.

We will not be running period 7 during the last week of term. It will restart on Monday 10th January 2022.

The Last Day of Term- Friday 17th December

We are having a non-uniform on the last day of term. We will be collecting money for two charities, Children in Need and Save the Children. Our students and staff always give generously on these occasions. We collect an impressive amount of money. Students will also be watching the Moat Review, featuring our staff and students. It is always an enjoyable and high-quality event!

Students will be finishing school at 12.35pm.

It has been another very difficult year for the school, due to the continuing challenges that covid has brought us. I would like to thank all of our community, staff, students, parents and governors for their hard work and determination in overcoming all difficulties.

Thank you, as always, for your support. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school office.

Yours faithfully



Mr Brian Killeen
(Principal)