

26 April 2022

Dear parents, guardians, carers

Road closures

A significant number of children and parents have had really difficult journeys to school in light of the recent road closures: BCP Council Wimborne Road

While I am happy to make representation through the LA reflecting your concerns about the coordination of these planned activities, I feel that your personal voice / letter on these matters will be more effective: mike.greene@bcpcouncil.gov.uk

Covid

Given the changes in COVID infection and immunisation patterns locally, I am immensely grateful for the support you have given to ensure we have been able to keep school open. Both staff and students are being advised that if they have Covid, to follow the **guidance** of avoiding returning to work/school in the first five days of testing positive. To further reduce infection (and school closure!) all normal infection controls should be considered (distance, face masks, ventilation, catch it, bin it, hand-sanitise).

As from today, we are making the use of face-coverings optional based on the empirical evidence. Some students and staff feel more comfortable continuing with their usage – especially out of consideration for others when they have cold-like symptoms.

Exams

Thank you once again for all you do to instil a great work ethic at home and to support students with both internal and external exams.

School Driveway Access

In common with other schools in the area, we stop access to the site at key times for student transit. With over 1900 students – many more now with bicycles, there is a lot of potential for accidents and we have had several near misses in the past. There is no access down the drive for vehicles between 8:10am - 8:35am and 2:45pm - 3:05pm. Please observe these restrictions and support the staff members supervising our students' safe departure each day.

Term dates

A reminder that Monday 2 May is bank holiday and school will be closed: <u>Term Dates | Poole High School</u>

Wishing you all an enjoyable summer term.

Kind regards

Mr P Gray Headteacher