

24 February 2021

Dear Parents / Carers

I hope you, your family, and loved ones are remaining safe and well at home as we prepare to work towards our roadmap out of restrictions. I write to you today to give you a clearer understanding of how we will undertake the return to school for all students. You should know that I am legally responsible for your child's safety and well-being in school, and therefore this is my highest priority.

On Monday 8 March all pupils in Year's 5 and 6, as well as those students currently attending school will return to school for full lessons. For students in Year 7 who opt into undertaking testing, they will be allocated a time to come into school to administer their test and then return home. Students do not need to wear school uniform when only attending to undertake their test. Year 8 students who are not currently attending school will continue to work from home for this day.

On Tuesday 9 March all pupils in Year's 5, 6 and 7, as well as those students who are currently attending school in Year 8 will attend school for full lessons. For students in Year 8 who opt into undertaking testing, they will be allocated a time to come into school to administer their test and then return home. Students do not need to wear school uniform when only attending to undertake their test.

From Wednesday 10 March all pupils will return to school. Students that have opted into testing will undertake their further 2 tests over the next week before transitioning to home testing.

Further Information, especially concerning the testing process will be provided at the earliest opportunity as plans are finalised.

We will continue to undertake staggered arrival and departure times.

Year group	Arrival Time	Departure Time	Which entrance / exit
5	8:35am	3pm	Bus loop
6	8:35am	3pm	Cheese Show
7	8:45am	3:10pm	Cheese Show
8	8:45am	3:10pm	Bus loop

Upon arrival students should go to their tutor rooms as they did previously. Students should continue to wear PE kit on the days that they have PE and school uniform at all other times.

'Let your light shine before others' Matthew 5 v 16
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Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility - Selwood Academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our children and we expect all members of staff, volunteers and visitors to share this commitment.

In relation to those learning from home, we will continue to provide work, however there will unlikely to be any live lessons provided on Monday 8 or Tuesday 9 March as staff will be supporting the testing of students.

Obviously, these are different and challenging times, so we all must be compassionate and understanding of each other. As such, I would ask for your whole-hearted support for what we are undertaking. In return, I promise to continue making the physical, emotional, and mental well-being of your child my highest priority.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Dan Jeffries'.

Mr Dan Jeffries
Headteacher