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Parent/carer - Advice, guidance and expectations

Introduction

This document is to help you alongside your child, understand what the expectations of them are and what it will be like during the reopening of school for face to face sessions. We know that for some pupils it will feel exciting to have a return to school and for others it will seem quite daunting. The purpose of the reopening is so pupils in Years 10 and 12 can have a face to face session with teachers to help support them with the continued programme of remote learning using Microsoft Teams; to help them identify gaps in their learning so these can be a focus during remote learning and when there is a full return to school. It is likely that they and you will have many questions so we hope that this document will help to answer most if not all of them.

In addition, the document issued last week that has the detailed planning for reopening has been updated to Version 4 – this document contains more detail of what it will be like reopening from 16 June 2020

Although these are unusual times, our expectations of behaviour and engagement in the sessions has not changed. It is important your child understands the necessity to enforce social distancing and the systems we have in place to provide for face to face sessions

We would very much appreciate you reading through the pupil advice, guidance and expectations with your child and talking through each of them, explaining why they are necessary.

In relation to the expectations;

Travel and hygiene

Decide how they will travel safely to and from school

If travelling by car, please use the drop off points in the roundel car park

Decide whether your child will wear a face covering and/or gloves to and from school – it is compulsory if they are using public transport. Any face covering will need to be removed when they go into the school building and they will need disposing of in the bins provided unless they are washable

Decide whether they will take anti-bacterial wipes and/or gel to school with them

Decide what you will provide for food and drink for their mini breaks between sessions

Clothing for school

Please ensure your child wears appropriate casual clothes (ensuring they are suitable for school i.e. of an appropriate length, condition and no offensive logo's /messages)

Items for school

Please ensure they bring their planner to school. You may wish them to bring their own equipment i.e. a pen, pencil and ruler; if you do, please reinforce why they cannot share equipment

Please ensure they bring something to eat and drink during the mini breaks between sessions. They need to bring enough to drink as the school's water coolers will not be available to refill bottles

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Notification of symptoms/confirmation of a positive test for Covid19

Following Government guidelines if anyone in your household shows symptoms of Covid19, they need to isolate for 7 days, your child and the rest of the household also need to isolate for 14 days. Please notify school to inform them of this situation.

You can find more details of getting tested by following the link below:

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-getting-tested

Confirmation of your child having Covid19

If your child is confirmed as having Covid19 – please contact school straight away so that that school can inform other parents/carers and pupils

Social Distancing

Please note; we strongly request that all families ensure they follow the government guidelines in relation to social distancing, whilst outside school as well as those put in place inside school and regular handwashing.

This is the way we will ensure we all stay safe.

Additional Information

What to expect when your son/daughter arrives at school

They will:

- arrive at the Roundel carpark (this will be the only entry open to the school), they will
 need to be prepared for the possibility of the need to queue they will need to do
 this by social distancing and standing 2 metres apart
- when walking from the Roundel carpark towards school, they will be asked to follow the member of staff's instructions and follow social distancing (2 metres apart)
- they will be required to wash their hands on a regular basis
- they will follow a timetable, that they will be given and after washing their hands, on arrival in the school building, they will need to go straight to their classroom

Depending on their individual timetable, they may need to move to another classroom to see their next teacher – they will need to always do so by social distancing (2 metres apart) and move in a clockwise direction

There will not be the opportunity to have social time