

4th September 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian

It has been great to welcome all our students on site today and a special welcome to our new Year 7 and Year 12 students.

We are pleased with how our Covid protection measures have worked out today but as we expected, there are a few tweaks that we can make to improve things further – please see below and share with your son/daughter.

Face coverings

- Students should wear face coverings in busy /two way corridors and new signs will be made and displayed to this effect.
- Students should wear face coverings in year group assemblies held once a fortnight in the sports hall. Students may wear a face covering in lessons if they wish.
- Face coverings can be any colour/pattern.

Site

- We are pleased with how well students have grasped the one way system, however, there are a few tweaks we have made from next week
 - Music/art area to be a two-way corridor with everyone keeping to the left and everyone wearing a face covering. This is to improve access to toilets.
 - We have made the route between the field and student support two way to improve flow and access. Students going into technology need to line up in the tennis courts.

Arrival to school

- To ease congestion in all outside areas, KS3 students are now to go straight to their zones on the field before registration. Just before the bell, they make their way to the area outside their form rooms. This is to avoid the mixing of bubbles before school.
- KS4 students should go directly to the area outside their form room/building and wait for their teacher as they did today.

Break time/Lunch time – to ensure fairness for queuing at both break times, we are rotating the first shift for the café.

Key Stage 3	First Break	Second Break (lunch)
Week A	Year 7 10.00am – Café Slot Year 8 10.15am – Café Slot Year 9 10.00am – Snack Shack	Year 7 12.30pm – Café Slot Year 8 12.45pm - Café Slot Year 9 12.30pm – Snack Shack
Week B	Year 8 10.00am – Café Slot Year 7 10.15am – Café Slot Year 9 10.00am – Snack Shack	Year 8 12.30pm – Café Slot Year 7 12.45pm - Café Slot Year 9 12.30pm – Snack Shack

Key Stage 4	First Break	Second Break (lunch)
Week A and B	Year 10 11.00am – Café Slot Year 11 11.00am – Snack Shack	Year 10 1.30pm – Café Slot Year 11 1.30pm – Snack Shack

Key Stage 5 - Food delivery via the App to the sixth form centre.

Other reminders

Uniform

We are proud of our high standards of uniform and we work hard to reinforce this. We realise, however, that some students are a bit out of the habit of complying with uniform rules! Here is a reminder:

- Hair
 - Hair should be tied up at all times whilst on the school site.
 - 'Half up/half down' styles are not allowed.
- Jewellery
 - Only one stud earring in each ear is permitted.
 - Nose studs or other facial piercings are not permitted.
 - Rings/bracelets/necklaces and any other jewellery items are not permitted.
- Skirts
 - Jumpers should not be tucked in.
 - Skirts should not be rolled up at the waist.
- Blazers
 - Should be worn at all times unless staff have given permission to take them off.

Departure from school

- We send a plea to the few parents who are still double parking/pulling up with the engine going /mounting the pavement etc to pick up their daughter along Holt Lane, to please stop doing this. Holt Lane is narrow and busy. The three school buses and any emergency vehicles struggle to pass through.
- If your son/daughter cannot walk/cycle/take the bus to and from school, please can you arrange to meet them on Jubilee Avenue.
- Please do not use the St Paul's Parish Rooms car park.

We hope you enjoyed your Friday without your children at home and we look forward to seeing them back for their first full week on Monday.

Enjoy the Friday feeling and have a good weekend!

Yours sincerely



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