

Update for Students

# A huge well done...

- Well done and thank you for the unbelievably positive start that the overwhelming majority of you have made to the new academic year.
- It is wonderful to see you all back in school.
- Thank you for trying your best to comply with the new expectations such as hand cleanliness, one-ways systems, year group bubbles, wearing face coverings and so on. We have been very proud of your conduct and resilience.

# A couple of reminders...

- Please remember to wash your hands at the outside sinks when you arrive at school in the morning AND when you leave at the end of the day. You will sanitise as you leave your lesson, but you still need to wash your hands before you leave school at the end of the day. Students who leave by the side gate need to use the sinks at A Block or D Block.
- Please remember to wear a face covering as you enter the school building, during lesson changeover, on your way to break/lunch. Unless you have a medical reason, you are asked to wear one on corridors at all times and as you leave lessons.
- Please remember to sanitise your hands when entering a classroom.
- Please do not walk through or socialise in the staff car park areas. These are strictly out of bounds.

# Year group badges

- It is absolutely vital that you wear your year group badge at all times for identification purposes. It was part of our risk assessment in order to open school safely so you must make sure you are wearing yours.
- You will be refused entry to the canteen, for example, if you are not wearing your badge as we must be able to quickly check that only students in one year group are in the canteen at once.
- If you lose or forget your badge, you must;
- Go to the main office to politely ask for a replacement badge.
- We will add a 20p charge to your ParentPay account.
- Your parents/carers will be emailed/sent a text by the office to tell them about this and ask that it is paid.

# Lunch time

- Please make sure that you go for lunch at the start of your year group's allocated time.
- If you are late, you will not be able to just nip in, because it will be being used by other year groups.
- Speak to staff on duty if there is an issue. We would never make you go hungry, but it would be really helpful if you could go to the canteen as soon as your year group is allowed to.

# Break and Lunch time

- Please remember that you need to maintain social distancing as far as possible.
- ALL students are instructed to keep their hands to themselves and not be involved in rough play, hugging etc.
- Litter is also becoming an issue, especially on the Hockey Pitch and in the Marquees. Please make sure that you use the bins provided.
- Also a reminder not to throw anything whilst enjoying your free time.

# Uniform

- We have done a thorough uniform check in Form time this week and anyone with incorrect uniform is in the process of addressing this.
- A couple of reminders;
- All students must wear school shoes and not trainers
- False eyelashes and false nails are not allowed
- Nose piercings are not allowed. If your nose is already pierced, you must wear a clear plastic retainer.

# Uniform - Skirts

- A small number of students are wearing skirts that are far too short. Skirts should be roughly “to the knee” and not rolled up to make them short.
- If a member of staff sees a student with a skirt that is too short, they will issue a 10 minute detention and instruct them to lengthen their skirt.
- If a member of staff sees a student with a short skirt on several occasions and has issued several 10 minute detentions, they will increase this to a 30 minute uniform detention to be served after school.
- If a member of staff sees that student again with a short skirt, despite several 10 minute detentions and a 30 minute after school detention, they will issue an hour after school detention.
- In the highly unlikely event that the problem persists, the pastoral team will speak to the student and their parents/carers on an individual basis.



# Travelling to and from school

- A polite reminder that you represent our school when you are travelling to and from school each day.
- Please can we remind you;
- Not to be in a group of more than 6 people
- To wear face coverings if you are going into shops
- To be polite and courteous, making sure members of the public can get passed and that you are not blocking paths and walkways
- If cycling, you do so safely and are mindful of traffic and other road users at all times.

# Thank you!

- We know that there is a lot of information to take in and that all of you are trying hard to do everything that is asked of you.
- These are just polite reminders so that we can keep everyone safe, are all dressed appropriately for school and are following the guidelines and representing the school positively in our local community.
- Thank you for your continued efforts.