



1 April 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

Firstly, I would like to thank you for all your support, since the reopening of schools on the 8th March. The testing, firstly in school and now at home, has certainly made our community safer. Please can I encourage you to get your son/daughter to continue to test twice a week and especially on Sunday 18th April, the night before we return from the Easter holiday.

Year 11

While we still await the exam board materials, JCQ have provided greater clarity around the grading this summer. The six weeks from the 19th April to the 29th May, will be vital in gathering the assessment evidence to support the final grades awarded. The two weeks after Easter will be used for catch up and moderation, prior to the final grade submission on the 18th June.

Year 9

We are very hopeful that Year 9 will be able to commence their Key Stage 4 courses from Monday 7th June, but will confirm that definitely as soon as possible next half-term.

Parents' Evenings

Thank you for all the positive feedback regarding the remote parents' evenings. We have two remaining ones for Year 7 and Year 10. As we have had to postpone the Year 10 mock exams, Year 10 parents' evening will now be on Thursday 24th June. To minimise disruption and maximise attendance, we will revert to the old timings of 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Uniform Expectations

It is essential all students return to school in the correct school uniform. Black trainers, fake eye lashes, jewellery (other than a watch and one set of ear piercings) are not permitted. Blazers need to be worn at all times and make-up needs to be discreet. After Easter, with the better weather, coats will not be permitted to be



worn in class. If you have any issues with school uniform, please contact your Support and Guidance Manager or Head of Year.

Drop off and collection

Please can we all be careful when dropping off/collecting students. The area at the front of the school and down the side where the Year 10 enter are particularly dangerous. Please can I encourage you to drop/collect your children from the main car park and the car park off Ford Lane in Brittons Playing Field.

Covid Testing during the Holiday

Please can I encourage you to continue to test your son/daughter every two weeks and especially on Sunday 18th April, so we know that everyone is negative when we come back to school.

I hope you all enjoy a happy and healthy Easter holiday. Take care.

Yours sincerely,

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Mr. W. Thompson

Principal