



14 May 2021

Dear Parent

I hope you and your families are keeping well.

Changes following government announcement

From Monday 17 May 2021 students are not required to wear face coverings in school at any time unless they wish to do so. As a reminder, face coverings are still required to be worn on public transport for those students that are not exempt.

These changes come with the caveat that should circumstances change locally or nationally there may be a requirement to reintroduce control measures. In this situation we will inform you as soon as possible. Whilst these changes will take place, the DfE have confirmed the continuing requirement of home testing throughout the summer term.

Home testing should continue twice a week, and reporting results to NHS Test and Trace [here](#) and to the school [here](#) as positive, negative or void. This information is critical in helping to understand the prevalence of the virus across the country.

Use of all-weather sports pitches at lunchtimes

From September, we are hoping to be able to use our wonderful all-weather pitches and newly refurbished netball courts at lunchtime for students who will be in Years 10 and 11. In order to be given permission for this, which will be granted by issuing a lunchtime pass including their name, your child needs to have met the following criteria, from the date of this letter and throughout the remainder of their time in school:

1. **No** fixed term exclusions, time in isolation or withdrawal from lessons
2. **No** more than three after school detentions for any reason
3. Attendance from September 2021 and throughout the year must be **at least 95%**
4. **No** more than three late marks to school or lessons from September 2021 and throughout the year in total at any time in the academic year 2021-2022

We firmly believe in providing all students with a fair and open opportunity to make use of our facilities, these privileges are always granted to those who meet our simple expectations and withdrawn from those who do not. We look forward to being able to do this in September. Making use of these facilities will provide younger students with other spaces to play ball games safely and within their age groups and these expectations also relate to students who will be staying on site.

Student and parent events

We are hopeful that with the continuing relaxation of national controls later in the summer term, students will once again be able to take part in wider school events and opportunities such as ECO Day, Sports Day and other curriculum trips and visits. It is our desire to reconnect, in person, with the wider school community, and



we hope to see a return of rewards events that allow us to celebrate the many successes of students in the school with you.

Thank you to all parents who participated in the Year 9 Parents' event last week and also those that provided feedback. Parental feedback on the use of School Cloud as a platform to conduct parents evening and been overwhelmingly positive. Due to current guidance, we have made the decision that the remaining Parents' Evenings for students in Year 7, 10 and 12 will be online and use the School Cloud system. Further details in relation to this will be communicated nearer to the time and you can find out how to register for school cloud on our website [here](#)

Important dates

14 May 2021	Teacher Assessed Grades letter to parents
28 May 2021	Teacher Assessed Grades briefing for all exam groups
28 May 2021	Break up for half term. School finishes at the normal time
7 June 2021	Start of half term. School starts at the normal time
11 June 2021	Year 11 and Year 13 students last day at school - Year 11 assembly 8:45-10:15, Year 13 assembly 11:20
25 June 2021	INSET day – school closed to all students
Wb 28 June 2021	Year 6 induction meet the tutor events. Further details in relation to timings and dates will be confirmed with our Year 6 parents
Wb 5 July 2021	KS4 Careers week
8 July 2021	Sports Day for Years 7 & 8 (all students) and selected Year 9. A follow up message will appear on Parent Pay for donations to transport costs
8 July 2021	Year 12 Parents' evening via School Cloud
13 July 2021	Year 7 Parents' evening via School Cloud
19 July 2021	Year 10 Parents' evening via School Cloud
22 July 2021	ECO day
21 July 2021	House Commendation evening-Cavendish 6:30pm
22 July 2021	House Commendation evening-Grove 6:30pm
23 July 2021	House Commendation evening-Hutchinson 6:30pm
26 July 2021	House Commendation evening-Carnarvon 6:30pm
27 July 2021	House Commendation evening-Hollinsclough 6:30pm
28 July 2021	Break up for the summer holidays - 1pm finish
1 September 2021	First day back of the 2021-22 academic year. Further details to follow by the end of term.

Advance notice -Term dates

We follow the Nottinghamshire County Council holiday pattern. A copy of the term dates for 2021-2022 is available on our website [here](#) and includes our INSET days.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,



Ms Egwuma
Head of School