



December 2021

Dear Parents / Carers

I hope that you and your family are well and looking forward to the Christmas break. It has been a busy and exciting term at school, with lots of good news stories which we have communicated through social media and our regular Friday blog. I want to thank the staff for ensuring that students have continued to get the best deal they can from both their lessons and the wider support they have been offered. I want to praise the students for their resilience and thank you, their parents and carers, for your support.

**Term ends at 12.30pm on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December**, with all bus services collecting students at this time.

I apologise for the length of this letter, but there is very important information for your son/daughter for our return to school in January (the start of the spring term) in light of the most recent Government announcements regarding COVID-19.

As expected, the school will commence on-site **Lateral Flow Device (LFD) testing** from Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January to and including Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January. More details on this are attached.

### Staggered Return

As you will see below, we will operate a **staggered return of students, rather than all students returning to school on the same day** to minimise risk. The staggered return of students, will impact upon when your child begins to attend and arrives at school for the start of school in January. Once they have received their test and had a negative test result, they will remain in school and begin their timetabled lessons.

If you do not wish for your child to complete an LFD test and you do not give consent, your child must arrive to school at the start of the session for their year group e.g. if a year 8 student does not have consent, they must arrive on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January at 13:00.

Date	Arrangements
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Year 12 and 13</b> are invited to attend between 13:00 and 14:30 for their test and return home.</li> </ul>
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Year 7</b> students should arrive between 08:45 and 10:15 at their allocated time and remain in school.</li> <li><b>Year 11</b> students should arrive between 10:45 and 12:15 at their allocated time and remain in school.</li> <li><b>Year 8</b> students should arrive between 13:00 and 14:30 at their allocated time and remain in school</li> </ul> <p><b>Year 12 and 13 will attend school at normal time.</b></p>
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Year 10</b> students should arrive between 08:45 and 10:15 at their allocated time and remain in school.</li> <li><b>Year 9</b> students should arrive between 10:45 and 12:15 at their allocated time and remain in school.</li> </ul> <p><b>Year 7, 8, 11, 12 and 13 will attend school at normal time.</b></p>

### The Process

- **Students must be in full school uniform**
- Students are to **arrive at their designated time**
- When arriving on site for their first LFD test, they should **enter via the green side gate and go directly to the main hall** for their allocated time.
- Once tested, students will be directed to the upstairs gym until the test result is received.
- If a student receives a **negative result**, they will go straight to their timetabled lesson.

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- If a student receives a **positive result**, parents/carers will be contacted to collect their child, they will be escorted to the allocated isolation room where they must wait to be collected. Parents/carers should then follow the government guidance and book to get their child a PCR test.

### Arrival Times

Please see below, the allocated arrival time for your child. These times will be sent as a text reminder on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2022

		Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> January
<b>Arrival time</b>		<b>Year 7 + Year 11</b>	<b>Year 10 + Year 9</b>
8.45am		7B-LANGRAN + 7B-TURNER + TOWLER	10B-BROCKLEBANK + 10B-BURROUGHS
9.15am		7G-MCGRATH + 7G-PANESAR S	10G-DAVIS + 10G-BRADSHAW
9.45am		7D-HALL + 7D-BRUNT	10D-HUMPHRIES + 10D-LANDER
10.15am		7N-PALAHA + 7N-PEACOCK	10N-AHMED + 10N-JORDEN
10.45am		11B-LAMBURN + 11B-WHITEHOUSE	9B-RAWLINS + 9B-PHILLIPS
11.25am		11G-COSTA + 11G-DANIELS	9G-GARLAND + 9G-GODWIN
11.50am		11D-HALLIGAN + 11D-CHATFIELD	9D-OBERG + 9D-PANESAR, J
12.15pm		11N-HOLLAND + 11N-TURTON	9N-TOOLEY + 9N-CHAWNER
	<b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January</b>	
	<b>Year 12 &amp; 13</b>	<b>Year 8</b>	
13:00pm	6B-WILKINSON + 6B-SCOTT + HOWELL	8B-ADAMS + 8B-DUFFIELD	
13.30pm	6G-MOUNTNEY + 6G-GREGORY + HOWELL	8G-RAINES + 8G-O'ROURKE	
14.00pm	6D-COLLYMORE + 6D-OWEN	8D-FIRTH + 8D-HODKINSON	
14.30pm	6N-COOMBS + 6N-PEEBLES	8N-TONGUE + 8N-POINTON	

### Student wellbeing and support

We appreciate that some students may be experiencing a variety of emotions in response to COVID-19, such as anxiety, stress or low mood. We will continue to support these students and their families to ensure that your child feels confident in coming to school.

I hope this information is helpful in outlining our return to school in line with government guidance. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school on the [enquiries@thecoleshillschool.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@thecoleshillschool.org.uk) email.

Thank you for your support and understanding.

Yours sincerely  
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