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2nd September 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to confirm and update you on the arrangements for the start of term. The school risk assessment is in accordance to the DfE guidance has been approved by the Governing Body and can be found on our website. You will find the updates written in blue below.

Wednesday 2 September: INSET day

• Staff only, the school is closed to students.

Thursday 3 September: Years 7, 12 and 13 Induction

- 8.30 am: Year 7 and 12 arrival. 1.30 pm: Year 13 arrival.
- 11.00 am: Year 12 dismissal. 2.45 pm: Year 7 dismissal. 2.50 pm: Year 13 dismissal.

Friday 4 September: Years 7, 12, 13 and Year 11

- 8.30 am: Arrival. 9.50 am: Timetable begins P2.
- 2.45 pm: Year 7 dismissal. 2.50 pm: Year 12 dismissal. 2.55 pm: Year 11 and 13 dismissal.

Monday 7 September: All students

- 8.30 am: Arrival for Years 7, 8, 9, 10. 9.30 am: Arrival for Year 11, 12, 13.
- 9.50 am: Timetable begins P2.
- 2.45 pm: Year 7 and 9 dismissal. 2.50 pm: Year 8, 10, 12 dismissal. 2.55 pm: Year 11 and 13 dismissal.

Watery Lane entrance: Year 7 and 8.

Mostyn Road entrance: Year 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13.

The dismissal times will remain until further notice to enable us to stagger the end of the day so that students are not crowding as they leave the site.

Study Periods for Sixth Form: Please note that Year 12 and 13 students will be permitted to work at home during study periods meaning on some days they may arrive later to school or be dismissed early.

Allocated areas: Year Groups have been allocated areas for their lessons and have allocated break and lunch time spaces. Students will not be allowed to play any ball games during break and lunch time due to space constraints. There will be hand sanitiser available on arrival. Where students need to move to a specialist room for lesson they will line up outside and be collected by their teacher.

Uniform and PE Kit: Students will need to wear full school uniform. The boys should arrive at school in their PE kit if they have a PE lesson that day. If it is a cold or wet day, students many wear plain black tracksuit items over their PE kit; please refer to the uniform guidance on the website: <u>https://www.rutlish.merton.sch.uk/about/school-uniform/</u>.

Face coverings: Students may choose to wear a face covering whilst at school; if they do so, scrupulous hand hygiene and safe storage is really important to reduce self-contamination. Some staff might wear a visor when teaching a lesson or face covering at other times. Students must be mindful of those who are exempt from wearing face coverings and should not question others' choices.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/face-coverings-in-education/face-coverings-in-education https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Tv2BVN_WTk&feature=youtu.be



Equipment and lunch: Students need to bring their own equipment, a packed lunch, snacks and a drink; please ensure water bottles are filled at home. Students who are eligible for free school meals will be given a packed lunch and drink. There will be no food on sale from the canteen.

Mobile Phones and other electronic devices: these will not be collected in each day to prevent any transmission from phone to phone. If your son brings a phone to school this will be at his own risk; the school will take no responsibility for theft, loss or damage. Students devices must be switched off and in their bag during the day. Any device seen will be confiscated as per the behaviour policy. We would prefer students to not bring these to school.

Travel to school: I advise all students to walk or cycle to school and avoid public transport if possible. If your son is cycling to school, the bike should be locked up in the cycle racks behind the science building. The Manor House cycle rack has been designated for staff and Sixth Form students. Students should not bring scooters or skateboards to school.

Merton School Streets is a new scheme to assist the safety of students travelling to school. Watery Lane and Manor Gardens are restricted to authorised access between 8.00-9.15 am and 2.45-4.00 pm. Parents will not be able to use these roads during these times.

I am sure you will be pleased to know that substantial repair work on the field is in process, the Pavilion and RR6 refurbishments have been finished and the Memorial Garden landscaping is close to completion.

We are really looking forward to welcoming your son back to school next week.

Yours sincerely,

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Ms L Howarth Headteacher













