

**PARENTAL COMMUNICATION – Friday 3 December 2021**

<p><b>Y11 &amp; Y13 mock exams</b></p>	<p>Well done to all our Year 11 and Year 13 students on their hard work during the mock exams this week and good luck as they continue next week.</p> <p>Ms Hyland Assistant Headteacher</p>
<p><b>Covid cases</b></p>	<p>We are writing to inform you that we have had more than a few positive cases of COVID-19 in Year 7. We know that you may find this concerning, but we are continuing to monitor the situation and are working closely with the Health Protection Team at Public Health Merton. This letter is to inform you of the current situation and provide advice on how to support your child. Please be reassured that, for most people, it will be a mild illness.</p> <p>The school setting remains open and your child should continue to attend if they remain well. All parents are advised to continue with the routine 3 times a week asymptomatic Lateral Flow Device COVID-19 testing of those aged 11 and above in the household.</p> <p>Rest assured that we are following all the government guidelines; we are encouraging good hygiene amongst all our students and staff, we are keeping occupied spaces well ventilated and we are maintaining an appropriate cleaning regime. In addition, we are following public health advice on testing, self-isolation and managing confirmed cases of COVID-19.</p>
<p><b>Catering</b></p>	<p>We are changing our catering contractor for the Spring Term from Sodexo to Harrisons. You will continue to pay with Parentpay and your balance will be transferred to the new contract.</p> <p>New menus will be available in the Spring Term.</p> <p>Mrs Quin School Business Manager</p>
<p><b>Behaviour</b></p>	<p>Please remind students about the standards of behaviour we expect outside school and when travelling on public transport when they are in school uniform. They are representing the school and should show good manners and be courteous to our local community.</p> <p>Ms Howarth Headteacher</p>
<p><b>Merton Fun and Wood Winter 2021</b></p>	<p>Please see attached flyer from Merton with information on events happening in the local area during December and January.</p>
<p><b>REMINDERS</b></p>	
<p><b>School Uniform</b></p>	<p>Uniform can be purchased on School Gateway at any time. <b>Students are able to collect on Wednesday lunchtimes only.</b></p> <p><a href="#">Rutlish School - Uniform</a></p>
<p><b>School Safer Streets</b></p>	<p>Watery Lane is a School Safe Street Zone. Unless your vehicle is registered with Merton you should not drive down Watery Lane between 8am–9.15am and 2.45pm–3.15pm as you may incur a fine.</p> <p><a href="#">School Streets Initiative - All the information you need</a></p>

	<p>Watery Lane is very narrow, please drive carefully and be aware of students, staff and our local residents. Thank you.</p>
<p><b>Face coverings</b></p>	<p>Following government guidance, the school strongly advise the wearing of face coverings in classrooms and all communal areas around the school. We suggest students bring additional spares so that they always have one available.</p>
<p><b>Future events</b></p>	<p>For all future events please click on the link below which will take you to our School Website Calendar</p> <p><a href="#">Rutlish School - Calendar</a></p>
<p><b>Reminder Absence Reporting</b></p>	<p><a href="mailto:Rutlish.absence@rutlish.merton.sch.uk">Rutlish.absence@rutlish.merton.sch.uk</a> 020 8254 3314</p> <p><a href="mailto:RR6.absence@rutlish.merton.sch.uk">RR6.absence@rutlish.merton.sch.uk</a> 020 8254 3339</p>