

24/06/2021

Dear Parent/Carer

We are so proud of how our students have coped with the major changes and disruption to their education over the past year. They have been extremely resilient and patient, learning in non-specialist rooms and staying within their assigned area of the Academy.

To make the transition back to how we normally operate in September, we will be issuing students with new timetables on Friday 25 June which will enable them to have their lessons in their normal classrooms from Monday 28 June until the end of term. This means students will be able to move around the site for lessons instead of being contained within a single block.

Students will still be required to be in their bubbles for social times at break and lunch which will continue to be separate from other year groups. Year groups will only mix when students pass on a corridor on their way to their next lesson. This is deemed low risk by the government guidance and our Risk Assessment has been updated to reflect this, which can be accessed on the Academy website. A hierarchy of controls will enable us to implement these changes safely and include students continuing to wear masks on corridors and in classrooms, enhanced cleaning of surfaces, one way systems in smaller blocks and opportunity for students to sanitise and wash their hands using the various hand washing and sanitising stations around the site. Please remind your child about the importance of hand washing and encourage them to visit our outdoor wash basins after lunch.

Timings for the school day will remain unaffected. The school gates will continue to open at 8am where students will go straight to their current tutor room for registration. Orientation around the school site for Year 7 has been taking place this week to introduce them to areas and classrooms not previously visited.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your patience and support with what has been a tough year for students, staff and parents. We hope that by bringing some normality back for students, it will help them to prepare for September and also to help our Year 7 cohort to familiarise themselves with the whole academy.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Hutchinson-Jones  
Principal