Message from Mr Maltby



9th October 2020

Good afternoon,

As the days begin to shorten, we need to adapt our school for the colder weather. I have ensured that any adaptations to our Covid-19 Risk Assessment are made following external legal guidance and advice.

I do not want students to sit in cold classrooms although classrooms need to maintain ventilation. I am ensuring that this is possible by providing clear guidance in every classroom regarding which windows will remain open through the winter whilst ensuring students are not made to feel the cold.

Students need the opportunity to eat their lunch sitting down in the warmth. I will be making amendments to our lunchtime to ensure this is possible. I have also ordered a further set of picnic benches for outside which are proving very popular with our students.

I will also be providing further opportunities for students to change out of their PE kit in a safe way (maintaining appropriate social distance) if they should choose to.

School continues to be different and I want to thank you for your support. Our students are now familiar with our routines and there is a sense of good order and routine. I want to take this opportunity to also thank governors for their crucial support; our governors, including those who are also parents, are regularly visiting our school site to observe our procedures in practice.

The school also continues to put further safety measures into practice; this morning's successful lockdown practice is a further example of this. Maintaining safety remains my top priority.

Finally, on this theme, I want to end my message today by thanking my safeguarding team. I am so proud of their hard work and commitment to ensuring that all our students are safe and remain so.

I wish you all a good weekend.

Tom Maltby Headteacher