

9<sup>th</sup> December 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

## Return to School in January 2022

As I mentioned in my communication to you on 3<sup>rd</sup> December, we will be completing on site lateral flow testing for all students (for whom we have permission) on their return to school after the Christmas holiday. To enable us to complete this, there will be a staggered return for students on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January.

Students in **Years 7, 10 and 11 only** will return to school on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January**, as follows:-

	<b>8.00am to 8.30am</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>11.15am</b>	<b>1.15pm</b>
<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Year 7, 10 and 11 students who use the bus services	Year 11 on foot / by car	Year 10 on foot / by car	Year 7 on foot / by car

Students in Years 7, 10 and 11 who are not taking part in lateral flow testing, should arrive at the normal time and wait in the playground for the start of the day.

Students in **Years 8 and 9** will return to school on **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January** as follows:-

	<b>From 8am</b>	<b>From 10am</b>	<b>After break</b>
<b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Year 8 and 9 students who use the bus services	Year 9 on foot / by car	Year 8 on foot / by car

Students in Years 8 and 9 who are not taking part in lateral flow testing, should arrive at the normal time and wait in the playground for the start of the day.

On the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> January, students arriving by bus will be directed straight to the Old Gym as they disembark the buses and are to follow the instructions of members of staff as they wait to be tested.

Those students who can walk to the Academy or be dropped off after the start of the school day, should arrive at the the time shown above for their year group. For those students who are being dropped off, please do not drive on to the school site. Students can be dropped off in Clench Road or at the top of the drive and should then walk down the drive where they will be met by a member of staff. On arrival, students will be directed to the Old Gym and should follow the instructions of staff as they wait to be tested.

On Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> January, students in Years 8 and 9 will have live lessons with their timetabled teacher. Please ensure your child is able to access these lessons or let us know if that is not the case.

This time we will only be completing one on site test and, thereafter, students are requested to complete lateral flow tests at home twice a week. We will provide lateral flow test kits to the students after their on site test.

Please continue to follow the latest government advice on Covid-19 which can be found here - <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us on [parents@holbrookacademy.org](mailto:parents@holbrookacademy.org)

We remain committed to ensuring the safety of all students and staff and thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tom Maltby', written in a cursive style.

Tom Maltby