COCKBURN SCHOOL



Specialist status in the Performing Arts

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31th December 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Following recent government guidance regarding the re-opening of schools in January we can confirm your child can return to school from Tuesday 5th January as either children classed as vulnerable or the children of critical workers and wanted to take this opportunity to communicate some key information and reminders in regards to our vulnerable and critical worker provision. These have been considered in close consultation with the latest Department for Education (DfE) guidelines.

First and foremost, if your child, or **any** member of your household displays symptoms of Coronavirus, **please do not send them to the school**. Please inform us as soon as possible. Follow this link for further guidance around symptoms, self-isolation and testing: https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/

Please ensure your child arrives promptly at their normal staggered start time

Year 7 -8:15am / Year 11 - 8:20am / Year 9 - 8:30am / Year 10 - 8:40am / Year 8 - 8:50am

Students will enter via the **main student entrance** and the school day will end at the usual staggered exit times for each year group. Please note that from Tues 5th Jan to Thurs 7th Jan Year 11 will not go to Unit 7 and will therefore finish at 3:00pm.

- Students will be allocated into fixed year group classes and they will remain in this teaching group throughout the week, following their normal curriculum (they may have some different subject teachers).
- Students are expected to wear their school uniform, including their face covering.
- **Students must bring their usual school equipment** including their planner. A reminder that mobile phones must not be seen or used at any time during the school day.
- A free school meal will continue to be provided to all eligible students. For students not eligible to a free lunch, a meal can be purchased on site as normal (you can still pay for school lunches via parent pay) or students can bring a packed lunch.

Students must follow all instructions 'first time every time'. Students must follow all hygiene requests to regularly wash or sanitise their hands, especially on entrance and exit to the school and before and after eating.

Any behaviour that does not meet our Values and Expectations at this time will be strictly sanctioned in line with the school behaviour policy.

Thank you for your cooperation and support

Yours sincerely,

Mr R Dixon Head of School

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