

HOLY TRINITY

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Dear Parents and Carers

Secondary Phase Return - September 2021

I am writing to provide details of the arrangements for the start of the new school year in September. We now have the updated guidance for schools, providing there are no further updates over the summer, we will see the end of 'bubbles' and return of normality.

I am sure that many of you will be aware of the announcement from the DfE regarding a return of mass testing in schools in September and a staggered start to the Autumn Term. In order to support the implementation of the testing in schools and the transition of our Y7 pupils Holy Trinity will be open as follows:-

- Thursday 2nd September Year 7 and Year 8 in school. Year 7 please enter via the front entrance, Year 8 via the side gate to the right of the front entrance.
- Monday 6th September Year 11, via the side gate to the right of the front entrance.
- Tuesday 7th September Year 10, via the side gate to the right of the front entrance.
- Wednesday 8th September Year 9, via the side gate to the right of the front entrance.
- The primary phase will return as normal on Thursday 2nd September.

We are encouraging as many pupils as possible (in the secondary phase) to take the coronavirus test to enable us to keep our pupils and teachers safe from the virus, minimise the spread, and keep our pupils in school learning. Please see the letter regarding testing in school for more information. If you have already completed the consent form previously, you do not need to resubmit.

Although pupils will not be in 'bubbles' we will still encourage pupils to wash/sanitise their hands regularly. This includes washing/sanitising their hands before entering classrooms and before leaving school.

In line with updated Government advice, students will not be required to wear facemasks in school.





Attendance

Our expectation is that every child returns to school. The Government has made clear that attendance will be mandatory for all students. This means all children are expected to return to school

Equipment

Your child should bring basic equipment (school bag, pen, pencil, rubber, scientific calculator, planner and reading book). Pupils will be allocated a locker in school.

Uniform

Students should wear full school uniform at all times, including the correct footwear (please check the school site for uniform requirements). Pupils will now be able to use the changing rooms in school so must bring their PE kit in order to get changed in school.

Pastoral Care

Staff will be alert to any worries that students may have. Staff will be available to support students and we encourage students to come and talk to us about any concerns they are having.

If you have any concerns about your child please do not hesitate to contact the student support office.

Communication with members of staff

If you wish to contact a member of staff, you should do so via telephone (01226 704550), email (info@holytrinitybarnsley.org) or text message (01226 610168).

Finally, I want to thank you all again for your continued support. I hope you all had a fantastic summer and we look forward to seeing your child in September.

Mrs Oldcorn

Acting Headteacher

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