

PARENTMAIL COMMUNICATION SENT

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URGENT – Move to Remote Learning for Year 8 Only, Monday 6th December 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

We continue to have an increase in the number of Covid-19 cases in our school community, including teaching staff, cover supervisors and teaching assistants.

Following consultation, both the local authority and Public Health England have agreed that:

- Year 8 will engage in remote learning on Monday 6th December
- All other year groups will be in school, as normal

We continue to do absolutely everything we can to run education fully onsite. However, the safe running of the school has always been my stated first priority and, from the perspective of the safety and well-being of both our students and our staff, we feel that we have no choice but to limit the numbers of students on site, according to the staffing available. Therefore, during these last two weeks of term, I ask the community to continue to bear in mind that disruption to our full opening remains a possibility and we will continue to monitor the situation.

When your child is engaged in remote learning, during these challenging times, they are expected and required to stay at home all day, and to engage with the work that is prepared for them. We fully understand the pressures that these arrangements cause to our families, but please ensure that your child is at home during these remote learning days.

May I also take this opportunity to encourage you to continue to test twice weekly at home using lateral flow devices. These devices can be collected from school at reprographics or from pharmacies or ordered online. All test results should be logged with NHS test and trace as well as on the school website <https://forms.gle/aM2BjSNbK31Q1piG9>

Thank you for your continued support.

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