

Voluntary Aided 11-18 Roman Catholic School for Girls Headteacher: Ms Julia Waters BSc (Hons) MA

3<sup>rd</sup> January 2021

**Dear Parents/Carers** 

Ms Waters has written to you following the Secretary of State's announcement on 30<sup>th</sup> December. I would like to add some further details specific to the Sixth Form, including some information for those of you whose daughter attends lessons at Wimbledon College.

We are in the process of preparing for onsite testing and you will receive notice of the Ursuline testing schedule for Year 12 and Year 13 once the school has received all equipment and training regarding testing. Ms Waters sent you some important information about onsite testing just before we broke up for the Christmas holidays on 18<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you to all those of you who have already responded; however, we are missing a significant number of responses: if you haven't done so already, could you please help us in our preparations by responding to our request to either consent or not to testing? This is now really urgent and we would appreciate your return by Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 1pm.

Year 13 BTEC external exams start on 6<sup>th</sup> January are scheduled to go ahead as planned. Therefore they will take place at Sacred Heart as planned (except for BTEC Business Studies on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> January which will take place at UHS, as planned).

Full Paper Practice scheduled at UHS next week will take place on MS Teams at the times and dates scheduled: English Literature and Economics (6<sup>th</sup> January at 1.30pm) and Biology (8<sup>th</sup> January at 1.30pm).

# **INFORMATION RE. LESSONS AT WIMBLEDON COLLEGE**

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January is now an INSET day at Wimbledon College too so there will be no Sixth Form lessons on the 4<sup>th</sup>, neither at UHS nor at the College.

#### Tuesday 5th to Friday 8th January

Learning for Year 12 and Year 13 will be online, with teachers delivering remote lessons via Google Classroom.

Your daughter will have already received her log in details for Google Classroom. If she has misplaced her log in code, she will need to email Ms Williams at

gale@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk. Ms Williams will be working remotely from home, so please do not call her landline at school, the best way to contact her is to email her at the above address. Year 13 will receive online lessons except when Year 13 boys receive their first Lateral Flow test in school (probably on 7<sup>th</sup> January although this is not fully confirmed as yet).

Year 12 lessons at Wimbledon College will be online on Google. Students will probably be set some work to complete on one day that week (likely to be on 8<sup>th</sup> January) as the College is planning to start the mass testing of Year 12 boys in school. Dates for testing are not fully

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confirmed yet and we will inform you of any change of dates should the College amend their current plans.

### Monday 11<sup>th</sup> to Friday 15<sup>th</sup> January

Year 13 will receive some independent work to complete on Monday 11th January as the boys will be in school for their second Lateral Flow Test. All Year 13 will return to Wimbledon College for face-to-face lessons on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> January as per their timetable.

Year 12 will continue to be taught online except on days when Year 12 boys will have their Lateral Flow test at the College. This testing is currently scheduled to take place on 12th, 13th and 15th January but once again, those dates are subject to change.

### About Online Learning at the College:

Students will be expected to follow their normal timetable for lessons however all lessons will be 40 minutes long [double lessons will be 80 mins] with longer gaps between lessons. Students are to log in promptly for all of their lessons.

The College's Remote Learning Policy and remote Learning Acceptable Usage Agreement can be accessed here.

Sixth Form	
Lesson	Start time
Period 1	8.30
Period 2	9.25
Tutor Period	10.20
Period 3	10.55
Period 4	11.50
Period 5	13.25
Period 6	14.15

## Lesson start times at the College will be as per the current timetable

Please do not hesitate to email me with any questions/queries that you may have.

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Wishing you and your family all the very best for 2021.

Yours faithfully,

Didier Adam **Deputy Headteacher** 







