



10<sup>th</sup> July 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

## Re: Return to School in September Year 11

Information Evening online – Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July at 6.30pm. Please join by using the link [here](#)

We are very much looking forward to welcoming students back to school in September. To reassure all parents/carers we will hold a short briefing online on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July at 6.30pm. Year 10 have made excellent progress their year. They have shown real grit, resilience and determination in their studies.

We would also very much like you to join us online next Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July at 6pm for our workshop on emotional well-being and return to school. It specifically addresses any anxiety issues students may have.

We have been planning arrangements for students return following Government Guidelines and as of 10<sup>th</sup> July 2020 they are as follows.

### 1. First Day and until the end of the Autumn Term

Date:	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2020
Time of arrival:	8:30am
Entrance:	Dorothy Kazel
Teaching Area:	St Ursula's Block
Break:	10:30am (Hall)
Lunch:	12.45-1.20pm Old Gym
End of school day:	3.15pm exit through Dorothy Kazel

### 2. Team

Senior Leader:	Ms Waters
Head of Year:	Mrs Gilmore (Ms Connor Fridays)
Pastoral Support Assistant:	Mrs Brown
Designated Safeguarding Lead:	Mrs Harrison
Emotional Well-Being Lead:	Mrs Donaldson

### 3. Transport

Crescent Road and The Downs will be closed to traffic at drop-off and pick-up times. Students will need to walk to their nearest train tram or tube station. Access to buses will need to be from a transport hub e.g. Raynes Park or Wimbledon.

Should students wish to ride bicycles there are racks for students to use.

Students travelling on public transport must wear a mask and dispose of them on entering the school into the disposable bags provided.

If students can walk we strongly encourage them to do so.

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#### **4. Times of School Day**

We are changing the times of registration and Period 1 and 2 to accommodate an extended registration from 10 to 20 minutes. We have extended our PSHEC curriculum into registration for the Autumn term to give time for our Well-Being Curriculum to be delivered until Christmas.

#### **5. Remote Learning**

All students will continue with Microsoft Teams and its applications Assignments and One Note until Christmas when we will formally review its impact.

We want to ensure should there be another lock down students and staff can have a seamless transition to remote learning.

#### **6. Equipment**

All students will need to bring their tablets charged to school every day. There will be limited access to charging points. There will be no lockers available for students.

#### **7. Uniform / Behaviour**

Full school uniform is expected on return to school. Any concerns please let us know so they can be resolved. There is an additional behaviour code of conduct to reflect the Health and Safety demands including following the one-way system and maintaining social distance.

#### **8. Year Hubs**

Each Year group will be based in a distinct area of the school to facilitate creation of 7 bubbles. There will be limited opportunity to work in specialist rooms in the Autumn Term. Year 11 will be based in St Ursula's.

#### **9. Sick Student**

If your daughter is sick or shows symptoms of Covid-19 you will be contacted to collect her. Students will be isolated in Student Services.

#### **10. Extra-Curricular**

Our programme will be released on return in September. This will include online opportunities.

#### **11. Attendance and Punctuality**

Attendance has been very high during lockdown. We want to continue students' high levels of engagement. If you have any concerns about your daughter returning to school please contact Mrs Gilmore, her Head of Year @ [Rachael.Gilmore@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk](mailto:Rachael.Gilmore@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk)

I want to assure both students and parents that the provision we have in place follows Government Guidelines to keep us all safe and well.

I look forward to welcoming back Year 11 in September.

Yours sincerely

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