

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

10th July 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Return to School in September Year 8

Information Evening online - Thursday 16th July at 5pm. 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 on Thursday 16th July at 5pm.

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

I am very proud of the way Year 7 have engaged in their online learning and the excellent progress they have made. They have shown true resilience and determination.

We have been planning arrangements for return to school following Government Guidelines and as of 10th July 2020 they are as follows.

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

Date: Monday 7th September

Time of arrival: 8:25am

Entrance: Crescent Road

Teaching Area: Main Building (M Rooms)
Break: 10:30am (Fountain Quad)
Lunch: 12:45-1.20pm Dining Hall

End of school day: 3.05pm exit through Main Building

2.Team

Senior Leader: Mrs Alexander, Assistant Headteacher

Head of Year: Mr Mac Sweeney

Pastoral Support Assistant/

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs McCourt 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.

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

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

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 20minutes. 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 8 will be based in the M rooms in the Main Building.

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 Mr Mac Sweeney, her Head of Year @ <u>Cillian.MacSweeney@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk</u>

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 8 in September.

Yours sincerely

Julia Waters Headteacher

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