

28th June 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

Once again I would like to thank you all for your tremendous support during these challenging times. Despite restrictions continuing it is very good to have some extracurricular activities back up and running and mini sports day events in year group bubbles.

Key dates for the remainder of the year and next year

- The last day of term is Friday 16th July. The School will operate a compact day and close at 1pm.
- 9th August – 13th August 2021 Year 6 and 7 Summer School and Year 11 and 13 results week and Year 12 enrolment.
- On the back of this letter are the term dates for next year. I will release a more detailed version as soon as we know what the DFE are advising for the Autumn Term. However, we are planning for all the things we have not been able to run since March 2020 to be back. I very much hope they will run. We are tentatively planning an activities day in September, similar to that in 2019 to relaunch trips. We are hoping to have Academic Mentoring Day so all parents can visit and meet tutors face to face and also run some early face to face parents' evening in the Autumn Term, particularly for current Year 7 and 8 as these have not happened since they started at Wexham. Let's hope for continued progress in the national Covid situation.

Surge Testing

Thank you so much for your patience whilst we were waiting for the test kits to come through last week. This was a huge success and shows how much of a community we are in helping everyone to keep safe. Thank you to everyone that took part. PHE informed me that the average return rate from school of testing kits is 30% in comparison we achieved the following as a percentage of test kits provided, which is amazing. Year 7 = 97% / Year 8 = 97% / Year 9 = 86% / Year 10 = 91% / Year 12 = 96% / Staff = 98%

I am also exceptionally pleased and thankful to say that (at the time of writing this letter) the surge testing itself has not found any positive cases. Given where we were a few weeks ago this is really good news. We do currently have one year 9 bubble isolating from a child that was unwell before this testing was conducted and two other positive cases in our students but this has not led to anyone else having to isolate.

Lateral Flow Testing

Please continue to test your child on a Sunday and Wednesday with the LFTs. Please ensure these are logged with the NHS and if positive please tell us the result as soon as possible, isolate and book a PCR test to confirm this.

Facemasks

Public Health England now requires all secondary school children in Slough to wear facemasks in school, including in classrooms, unless exempt. I am sure this will last until the end of term but we of course sincerely hope the situation is better in September for this to change.

Yours sincerely



Mr Lawrence Smith
Headteacher

Term Dates 2021 – 2022

Autumn Term	Wednesday 1 st September 2021	Staff ONLY Day - INSET
	Thursday 2 nd September 2021	Staff ONLY Day - INSET
	Friday 3 rd September 2021	Staff ONLY Day - INSET
	Monday 6 th September 2021	First Day of Term for Students in Year 7 only 8.35 for 8.40am start.
	Tuesday 7 th September 2021	Year 7 - 8.35 for 8.40am start. Year 10 and 11 First Day of Term 8.35 for 8.40am start.
	Wednesday 7 th September 2021	Year 8 and 9 First Day of Term 8.35 for 8.40am start.
	Thursday 8 th September 2021	Year 12 and 13 First Day of Term 8.35 for 8.40am start.
	Wednesday 29 th September 2021	Delayed start to school day due to Open Evening previous night – School starts at 9.30am
	Friday 22 nd October 2021	Last day of Half Term – 3.10pm Finish
	Monday 25 th October to Friday 29 th October 2021	Half Term Holiday
	Monday 1 st November 2021	All students attend school at 8.35 for 8.40am start.
	Friday 17 th December 2021	Last Day of Term. School will operate a compact day finishing at 1pm.
	Monday 20 th December 2021 to Monday 3 rd January 2022	Christmas Holiday
Spring Term	Tuesday 4 th January 2022	First Day of Term. All students attend school at 8.35 for 8.40am start.
	Friday 18 th February 2022	Last day of Half Term – 3.10pm Finish
	Monday 21 st to Friday 25 th February 2022	Half Term Holiday
	Monday 28 th February 2022	All students attend school at 8.35 for 8.40am start.
	Friday 8 th April 2022	Last Day of Term. School will operate a compact day finishing at 1pm.
	Monday 11 th April to Friday 22 nd April 2022	Easter Holiday
Summer Term	Monday 25 th April 2022	All students attend school at 8.35 for 8.40am start.
	Monday 2 nd May 2022	School Closed for May Bank Holiday
	Friday 27 th May 2022	Last day of Half Term – 3.10pm Finish
	Monday 30 th May to Friday 3 rd June 2022	Half Term Holiday
	Monday 6 th June 2022	All students attend school at 8.35 for 8.40am start.
	Tuesday 19 th July 2022 -	Last Day of Term for students. School will operate a compact day finishing at 1pm.
	Wednesday 20 th July 2022	Staff ONLY Day - INSET
	Thursday 21 st July 2022	Staff ONLY Day - INSET