

1th April 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

We look forward to all students returning to school on Monday 12th April.

### Face Masks

The government has confirmed that face coverings should continue to be worn in secondary school and college classrooms as a precautionary measure when students return after the Easter break. This cautious approach will help limit the risk of transmission and enable continued monitoring of the effect of school and college returns, as twice weekly testing is established and embedded in pupil's routines. It is expected that face coverings will no longer be required to be worn in classrooms, or by students in other communal areas, at Step 3 of the roadmap, which will be no earlier than Monday 17 May.

### Testing

NHS Test and Trace has reintroduced confirmatory PCR testing for positive LFD tests conducted at all assisted testing sites, including schools and colleges. This means that all pupils and staff who test positive on an LFD, whether at home or supervised at their school or college, should get a confirmatory PCR.

### Year 11

All time with Year 11 is now crucial to secure the evidence we need to allocate the grade that they deserve. Our Year 11 virtual parents evening takes place on Tuesday 13 April from 4pm until 7pm via School Cloud.

Yours faithfully

*J. Owens*

Mrs J Owens  
Head of School