



Lady Hawkins' School

Kington - Herefordshire

Headteacher: Mr Paul Jennings M.Phil BSc (Hons)

25th February 2020

Dear Parent / Carer,

It is lovely to finally be able to share with you our plans for reintroducing students to LHS during the week of March 8th 2021. Please find below the information that you will need to help us all navigate the arrangements for the week, please share it with your child/ren. If you have any questions that are not answered below, then please contact us via email through enquiries.

Return Dates & Times:

Key worker children / vulnerable students as per your normal arrangements until your child's year group returns, then they will join their year group.

All other students to return to school on:

- Year 11 – Monday 8th March
- Year 10 – Tuesday 9th March
- Year 9 – Wednesday 10th March
- Year 8 – Thursday 11th March
- Year 7 – Friday 12th March

ON THEIR FIRST DAY: Students on school transport will come in at the usual time, whereas students who can walk to school are to come in at **11am**. This is to allow us extra time to complete each student's first Covid test before returning to the classroom.

ALL STUDENTS TO GO STRAIGHT TO THE SCHOOL HALL ON THEIR FIRST DAY. DO NOT GATHER IN THE CAR PARK OR OUTSIDE SCHOOL.

Covid Testing

We require a consent form from a parent/carer for each student to take part in testing ([LINK](#)) On the first day in school students will be asked to go to the school hall to remain socially distanced from each other whilst they are taken in small groups to be tested. They will then return to the hall until we have their test results. Students with a negative result can then go to lessons as normal and in the event of a positive result we will contact parents/carers to arrange their collection.

The tests are using lateral flow devices and have proved to be very accurate when used correctly. It involves a swab of the throat and one nostril. Students will test themselves under staff supervision. Government guidance is that there will be three tests in school over the course of the first two weeks, then once they are used to the process, students will be issued kits to take away and twice weekly testing will continue at home. We will issue more details about the home testing kits as we receive it.

Transport

School buses will be running their normal routes and times.
Face coverings must be worn on all buses.

Uniform / PE kit

School uniform to be worn, as we have now made the necessary arrangements to enable all students to use the changing rooms before and after PE lesson.

Face Masks

We are required to have students and staff wearing face coverings **at all times** inside communal areas of school buildings, such as corridors, reception and the canteen (unless eating). Students should also wear face coverings in classrooms at all times.

Timetable

The first week back will be **week one** of the timetable.

The timetable will remain with split breaks and lunches to allow social distancing between KS3 & KS4 students. (Timetable below)

The canteen will be open for hot and cold food at breaks and lunchtimes.

Lessons for week beginning 8th March

Instead of online lessons, students will be set work to do (following the current online timetable) for the days they aren't in school to allow teaching staff to be available for lessons in school (following the regular timetable).

Finally, we appreciate the huge amount of support you as parents and carers have given your children during this national lockdown. We have been very pleased to see such a high level of engagement in lessons during this time and look forward to building on this once students are back in school.

Yours sincerely,



Mr P Jennings
Headteacher