

Our Ref: TKi/JEd

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## Dear Parent/Carer

It was great to see so many of you join us virtually for the Meet the Tutor parent's event last night. This is a new experience for staff, students and parents to conduct the meetings virtually and we have had positive feedback on how the evening went. We know that some parents and staff struggled with some small technical issues but most were overcome. We will be using the same system for all our parents evenings this academic year which will take place on the following dates:-

## Parents Evenings 2020-21

- 07.01.21 Year 9
- 21.01.21 Year 8
- 04.02.21 Year 11
- 25.02.21 Year 7
- 15.04.21 Year 10
- 06.05.21 Year 11

As you will know at the beginning of term we shared with you our Covid-19 measures for our return to school. These are constantly under review and I wanted to clarify a couple of points. Firstly all students have an indoor seating space during lunchtime as follows:-

- Year 7 canteen hall side
- Year 8 canteen library side
- Year 9 Main Hall
- Year 10 canteen hall side (second lunch)
- Year 11 canteen library side (second lunch).

It is particularly important that all students, where possible, still spend some time in the fresh air in order to reduce the possible transmission of Covid-19.

Secondly, our one way system will remain in operation for this academic year and therefore we strongly encourage all students to have a suitable coat to protect them from bad weather.

I mentioned in last week's newsletter that we had the Year 7 flu immunisations held at school. If your son/daughter in Year 7 did not have this vaccination but you would still like to book a local appointment please follow the link below.

https://immunisation-eoe.nhs.uk/





Next week, our school nursing team will be in school on Wednesday to work with our Years 7 and 8 students on emotional and mental wellness. Sue and Annie will provide a number of sessions throughout the year and we look forward to welcoming them next week.

Our Sway Newsletter will be coming out next week sharing a number of things that have happened so far this term. It particularly showcases Year 7 settling into school, some of the fantastic work that has happened in a range of subjects this term, an update on sporting news and some conundrums and challenges for students and families to take part in.

With one week left until half term I would like to congratulate students and staff on an extremely positive return to school. There is a lovely feel around the school both inside and outside the classroom.

Wishing you a good weekend, keep safe and well.

Yours sincerely

Miss T King Principal

## **Dates for your Diary:-**

- Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2020 Year 7 Parent Forum 6:30pm (via Zoom)
- Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2020- Parent Forum 6:30pm (via Zoom)
- Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2020 Year 11 Awards Evening 6:30pm (via Zoom)