

Our Ref: TKi/JEd

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## Dear Parents/Carers

It has been great to welcome students back after the Easter break; students have benefited from the rest and relaxation and have quickly refocused in to lessons.

For Year 11 students the term has started with a real focus on their in-class assessments which will contribute to the Teacher Assessed Grades. They are to be commended on how focused and positive they have been and this process will continue throughout the half term.

This week we welcome Miss Rodda who has joined our Learning Support Assistant team; she is an experienced Teaching Assistant and is very welcomed.

The government has provided updated guidance on the use of face masks in secondary schools. The guidance is that these should continue to be worn with a review at May half term. Can I also remind parents that twice weekly lateral flow test results for your son/daughter should be logged via our Test Register programme; thank you for you continued support with this process.

Mr Gethin led an assembly with Year 9 students this week regarding the options process and the lead up to GCSEs starting. We have been very impressed with the level of maturity shown by Year 9 as they consider the right options for their future study. We are now in the process of analysing and timetabling the options choices and will be in touch prior to half term to confirm the options allocation for your child.

Next week Year 7 and 8 students will participate in sessions run by OM Nurses which will contribute to the personal, social and health education programme. This term it is on sex and relationships education. Our policy which outlines topics being taught for each year group can be found via this link <a href="https://www.sybilandrewsacademy.co.uk/documents/sex-and-relationships-policy/">https://www.sybilandrewsacademy.co.uk/documents/sex-and-relationships-policy/</a>

Wishing you a good weekend and continued good health.

Yours sincerely

Miss T King Headteacher





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

- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2021 Bank Holiday
- Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2021 Year 9 Meningitis ACWY/DTP Vaccinations
- Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2021 Parent Forum 3
- Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2021 Half Term