

Early Advice for Returning to School in September 2021

Thursday 22nd July 2021

Dear All Parents and Carers,

Following recently updated government guidance, I wanted to write to provide you with the early sight of our revised plans for students returning to school in September. Please note, this advice may be subject to further change if the government updates its position over the summer. I will write to you again on 26th August to confirm our final plans.

Students will have mixed with other people during the summer holidays. The government is asking that all secondary school pupils receive two on-site lateral flow tests (LFT), 3 to 5 days apart, on their return in the autumn term. We are well placed to deliver on-site testing and re-establish our on-site testing facility to accommodate this.

Because of our numbers, we will be splitting the testing days up and asking students to come in Form Groups at allotted times. We will follow up on 26th August with these times.

Regular testing is an essential part of the government's strategy to control the spread of the virus. Therefore, we strongly encourage parents to provide their consent. For further details on how on-site testing works at Alexandra Academy, please visit <https://bit.ly/3eL7Jiz>. If you have already provided consent for your child to receive an on-site test, you do not need to take any further action. However, Yr. 6 parents and any parents who are yet to provide consent are asked to do so using the MCAS parent App (<https://bit.ly/3eJGkoA>) or by completing this form at <https://forms.office.com/r/JXR8hC99b7>.

Arrangements for September will be as follows:

Day/Date	Sequence of events	Site and Entrance
Tuesday 31 st August Week A	Sixth Form 1st LFT From TBC	William Parker Park Avenue
Wednesday 1 st September	Inset day for staff Yr. 7 1st LFT from TBC Yr. 9 1st LFT from TBC	William Parker Park Avenue Canteen Lower Gym
Thursday 2 nd September	Inset Day for Staff Yr. 10 LFT 1 from TBC Yr. 11 LFT 1 from TBC	William Parker Park Avenue Canteen Lower Gym
Friday 3 rd September	Yr.7 Transition Day 8.30 am for an 8.45 start-finish at 3.15 pm Yr.8 LFT 1 from TBC Yr.9 Transition Day 8.30 am for an 8.45 start-finish at 3.15 pm Sixth Form 2nd LFT from 8.45 am	Helenswood The Ridge Front Playground William Parker Park Avenue Canteen William Parker Park Avenue Lower Flat William Parker Park Avenue Lower Gym

<p>Monday 6th September Week B</p>	<p>Yr. 7 Transition Day 2 & 2nd LFT 8.30 am for 8.45 am start – finish 3.15 pm</p> <p>Yr. 9 Transition Day 2 & 2nd LFT 8.30 am for 8.45 am start – finish 3.15 pm</p> <p>Yr.10 2nd LFT by Tutor Group</p> <p>Sixth Form Tutor Time 1.15 pm for a 1.30 pm start – finish 3.15 pm</p>	<p>Helenswood The Ridge Front Playground</p> <p>William Parker Park Avenue Lower Flat</p> <p>William Parker Upper Entrance</p> <p>William Parker Park Avenue</p>
<p>Tuesday 7th September</p>	<p>Yr. 7 Transition Day 3 8.30 am for 8.45 am start – finish 3.15</p> <p>Yr. 8 2nd LFT by Tutor Group</p> <p>Yr.10 Tutor 8.30 am for 8.45 am start – finish 11.15</p> <p>Yr. 11 2nd LFT by Tutor Group</p>	<p>Helenswood The Ridge Front Playground</p> <p>Helenswood The Ridge Back Playground</p> <p>William Parker Upper Entrance</p> <p>William Parker Park Avenue</p>
<p>Wednesday 8th September</p>	<p>Yr. 7 Transition Day 4 8.30 am for 8.45 am start – finish 3.15</p> <p>Yr.8 Tutor 11.30 for 11.45 start – finish 1.15 pm</p> <p>Yr. 9 Tutor 8.30 am for 8.45 am start – finish 11.15</p> <p>Yr.11 Tutor 11.30 for 11.45 start – finish 1.15 pm</p>	<p>Helenswood The Ridge Front Playground</p> <p>Helenswood The Ridge Back Playground</p> <p>William Parker Park Avenue Lower Flat</p> <p>William Parker Park Avenue</p>
<p>Thursday 9th September</p>	<p><u>All students start their timetable</u> 8.30 am for 8.45 am start – finish 3.15 pm</p> <p>Yr.7 & Yr.8</p> <p>Yr.9, 11 and Sixth Form</p> <p>Yr. 10</p>	<p>Helenswood The Ridge</p> <p>William Parker Park Avenue</p> <p>William Parker Upper Entrance</p>