

THE LONDON NAUTICAL SCHOOL

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Dear Families.

Firstly I hope this letter finds you and your families safe and well. I do appreciate that you have received a number of updates throughout the course of this week, however, as there have been a number of key announcements from the government this has been unavoidable. Moving forward, I am hopeful that it will be possible to limit this down to one weekly communication. Please read this letter carefully as I have summarised some of the key school updates.

On-site Provision

We have seen a gradual increase in the numbers of students accessing our on-site provision. For a list of key workers and all other eligible students please read the link here. If you would like to access our on-site provision please email admin@lns.org.uk. In order for us to maintain the correct staffing ratios for this provision we are now asking that parents/carers contact the school by no later than Thursday of each week in order to book your son a place on-site for the following week. All students that are on-site are expected to wear their full-school uniform and will adhere to the schools 'Positive Attitude to Learning Policy'. Finally, as all students will be following the remote learning timetable for their respective year group, please could I ask that if your son has a set of headphones that they bring these into school as this makes for a more effective learning experience.

Remote Learning

I have received some really positive feedback from staff about the level of engagement and the quality of the work being produced by students across all year groups. Teachers are taking a register for every lesson. If your child cannot attend a lesson because they have an appointment or they are ill then please inform attendance at kcunliffe@Ins.org.uk.

If you are experiencing any problems with your sons or daughters google account, please contact Miss Simmonds <u>tsimmonds@Ins.org.uk</u>. We will be uploading a parents guide which includes some 'frequently asked questions' that should provide all of the help you need to support your son with their remote learning moving forward.

Access to Remote Learning

We want to continue to work with all those families that are experiencing difficulties and require digital support. Please contact us at admin@lns.org.uk if you do not have access to a laptop or chromebook. We will of course do everything we can to support you.

Free School Meals

Families who are eligible for free school meals will continue to receive a Tesco voucher each week. If you are in receipt of a voucher, and your son is attending our on-site provision, please send your son into school with a packed lunch.

Parental Forums

On Thursday 14th January we will be running an evening session for parents / carers that will hopefully provide you with more information aimed at supporting you through this period of school closure. It will also give you an opportunity to ask any questions you may have following the large number of updates that you have received recently. The timings for each session are as follows:

- Years 7, 8, 9 and 10: Thursday 14th January (5:00pm 5:45pm)
- Years 11, 12 and 13: Thursday 14th January (6:00m 6:45pm)

Further details will be shared with all families next week.

COVID-19 Asymptomatic Testing in Schools

Thank you to all parents / carers that have completed the consent form which can be found here. Although the timings for all students to be tested has been delayed due to the wider school closure, we are aiming to start our testing next week for students and staff currently working on the school site (where permission has been received). I would also like to thank all those parents/carers that have kindly offered to support us with the mass testing. We will be contacting you shortly to find out further details.

Student Support

We will maintain the same support systems that we currently have in school. Heads of Year will be running weekly assemblies and there will also be tutor sessions, including a tutor drop-in each week. All links will be available through your son's google classroom. Members of staff will also be calling families across all year groups as a supportive measure. If you have any pastoral concerns please contact your son's Head of Year whose details you can find below:

- Year 7 (Miss Critchley): <u>kcritchley@lns.org.uk</u>
- Year 8 (Mr Simpson): csimpson@Ins.org.uk
- Year 9 (Mr Powell): <u>jpowell@lns.org.uk</u>
- Year 10 (Mr Cripps): rcripps@lns.org.uk
- Year 11 (Mr Bradstreet): jbradstreet@lns.org.uk
- Sixth Form (Mrs Grant and Mr Goldsmith): kgrant@lns.org.uk and jgoldsmith@lns.org.uk

Finally, please continue to check the school website for updates and you can also get regular updates on some of the latest through the LNS school twitter account @londonnautical. In the meantime, please remain well and safe, and thank you for all the support you are giving your child with their learning.

Yours faithfully,

Mr M Schofield

Headteacher