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Dear Families,

As mentioned in my communication earlier this week we are very much looking forward to welcoming all students back to school during the week commencing Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021. Over the course of this week we have been carefully planning how to do this in the safest possible way for both staff and students. This letter contains important information outlining how we plan to do this.

### **Asymptomatic Testing**

As highlighted in my letter earlier this week an essential part of our wider reopening plan will be coordinating asymptomatic testing. Parents/Carers have a final opportunity to provide consent [here](#). **This must be completed by Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2021.**

All students are required to receive a negative test result from a Lateral Flow Test (LFT) before they can return to face-to-face learning in school (this only applies to students whose parents have given consent). They will then require two further tests at school, thereafter completing two LFTs at home every week. In order to facilitate this initial test, students will be invited into school on the following days for the test and then, provided the result is negative, to return to face-to-face learning on the specified dates in the table below:

<b>Year Group</b>	<b>Date of First Test</b>	<b>Return to School</b>
11, 12 and 13	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March
10	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March
9	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> March
7 and 8	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> March

On the date when students are due to come in for their first test, they will have their test and then return home once they have received the test results. If your child receives a positive test result you will be notified immediately.

### **Remote Learning**

With the return to face-to-face learning and the necessity to administer Asymptomatic Testing, we will be making some changes in the way that work is being set. The table below provides further information on our proposed schedule. Please note that **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2021** will be the final day of 'live lessons' with work uploaded to Google Classroom thereafter.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Remote Teaching</b>	<b>At School / Classroom Teaching</b>
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Live lessons	N/A
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	No Live lessons.  Work uploaded to google classroom for all Year groups.	N/A
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	No Live lessons.  Work uploaded to google classroom for all Year groups.	N/A
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	No Live lessons.  Work uploaded to google classroom for all Year groups.	N/A
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Work uploaded to google classroom for Year 7, 8 and 9	Year 10, 11, 12 and 13
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> March		All students return to school

### **Onsite Provision**

Throughout this period of lockdown we have remained open to families of critical workers and all other eligible students. **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2021 will be the last day** that this provision is available to students as we prepare for our wider reopening. All students that have remained in school during this period of lockdown will follow the schedule for their respective year group. Please email [admin@LNS.org.uk](mailto:admin@LNS.org.uk) if you have questions relating to this matter.

### **Face Coverings**

Whilst schools have taken a range of preventative measures to reduce transmission of COVID-19, it has been recognised that effective social distancing is extremely difficult in classrooms. Therefore, the Department for Education has **strongly recommended** the wearing of masks in

classrooms until the end of the Spring Term, in the first instance. If your child is exempt, please provide written evidence of their exemption to the school before Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021. This does not apply to those parents that have previously communicated this with us.

All other students will be expected to wear a mask at all times during the school day, apart from break times (as long as they are outside) or when they are eating in the canteen. Please ensure that your child has an ample supply of masks; we also recommend that they have a plastic bag in which to keep their mask when it is not being worn. We would also encourage all students to have their own small bottle of hand sanitiser.

### **Free School Meal Vouchers**

The voucher scheme for eligible families has now finished and you should have received your Edenred voucher for the two week period up until Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2021. Please remember you only have one month to redeem Edenred vouchers before they expire. Once expired, schools cannot issue replacement vouchers.

### **Year 11 and 13 Examinations**

You will be aware of the announcements in the media yesterday concerning the grading of Year 11 and Year 13 examination courses. We will be carefully reading the guidance from Ofqual and the Department for Education to ensure that all our students receive the grades that they deserve. Further information will follow; in the meantime it is essential that students remain engaged and focused throughout the last week of remote learning and when we return to school.

### **Parental Forums**

On Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2021 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 re-opening. It will also give you an opportunity to ask any questions you may have following the large number of updates. Further details will be shared with all families next week.

I realise that this letter contains a lot of information and indeed there will be further updates next week. In the meantime, I would like to express my profound gratitude for all your support during these extraordinary times and once again express how much we are looking forward to welcoming back all students to LNS.

Yours faithfully,



**Mr. M Schofield**

Headteacher

