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Dear Families,

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter as we fully re-opened our wonderful school to all year groups. The students have been exceptional on their return and it's been great to see them interacting once again with their friends. As has become the norm in all of my recent communications, I am writing to you with more important information that includes; details of our final round of asymptomatic testing, details on home testing, arrangements for a parental information evening for Years 11, 12 and 13 outlining our approach to teacher assessments and an update for families whose students travel to school on electrical scooters.

### **Asymptomatic Testing**

I am pleased to report that the first two rounds of testing on-site have gone very well. Testing continues on site for all our pupils whose parents provided consent prior to the original deadline. Our last day of onsite testing will be 16th March 2021 (see scheduling below); following this date pupils will be issued with Home Test kits for parents to complete as per the next section of this letter.

Year group	Testing Date/Time	Location
Year 10 and Years 11	Monday 15th March from 9:00am onwards.	Students to be collected from their lessons.
Year 12	Monday 15th March: 11.25am -12.00pm	Malone Hall
Year 13	Monday 15th March: 2.05pm-2.35pm	Malone Hall
Years 7, 8 and 9	Tuesday 16th March	Students to be collected from their lessons.

Please note void tests are recorded for pupils who have missed their appointment slot or have reported to us they have tested positive in the last 90 days; **you need take no action** if your child's result is void and you receive a message from Test & Trace requesting you take a PCR test.

### **Home Testing for Pupils**

Following our program of testing pupils at school ALL families will be provided with Home Testing Kits (HTK). Distribution of these kits will start from Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2021 and pupils will be able to collect a HTK from school to take home. We will be recording who takes a HTK and families will have full instructions on how to administer the test and how to record the results. The school **WILL NOT** receive notification of the result which will be uploaded directly to Test & Trace, as such we would ask families to share the result with the school **ONLY** if your son or daughter **tests positive**. We will send all families a further communication around home testing during the course of next week and post all information on our website ([lins.org.uk](http://lins.org.uk)) next week.

## **Teacher Assessed Grades**

On Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2021 the government announced that the summer 2021 GCSE, A level and vocational examinations were cancelled and that students would receive Teacher Assessed Grades for their qualifications. We will be holding two virtual parent forums next Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2021 to present our approach to the Teacher Assessed Grades for 2021.

The remote meetings times will be:-

**Year 11 - 5pm** then **Year 12 & 13 - 6pm**

The links to the meetings will be emailed to all year 11, 12 and 13 parents on **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2021**. Families of students in years 11, 12 & 13 should have received a letter today, Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2021, outlining further details (a copy of this letter can be found [here](#)).

## **Electric Scooters**

We have become aware of a number of students travelling to school using electric scooters this term. We recognise that this is a cheap and convenient form of transport for our students, however our understanding is that currently electric scooters are NOT legal to ride on the road or pathway and so at this time we are unable to support or facilitate the usage of these machines. As such, as a school we are unable to provide secure storage for these machines during the school day and cannot allow students to carry the scooters around school. We will keep the legal situation around electric scooters under review.

Wishing you all an enjoyable and relaxing weekend.

Yours faithfully,



**Mr M Schofield**  
Headteacher