

# Addendum to 'Positive Attitude to Learning Policy'

#### **Returning After Lockdown**

We recognise as a school that returning after such a long time at home presents a unique and challenging set of circumstances. We accept that students will take time to settle in and establish themselves in a routine and that it will feel strange for them to be back in school and in classrooms with their friends. Some students may feel anxious or nervous about their return to school and so extra pastoral care and support will be available on request.

There will be some additions and amendments to school rules for students to follow. These have been made to ensure the safety of students and staff and should be taken very seriously.

## **Travelling to School**

- Please ensure you adhere to all advice when travelling on public transport
   <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/news/face-coverings-to-become-mandatory-on-public-transport</u>. If you
   are able to walk or ride a bicycle please do so. We have facilities at school for your bike.
- If you are going to be late for any reason, public transport please call school so we know you are on your way.

## Whilst at School

#### **Social Distancing**

We will follow the government guidance on Social Distancing. Students should respect the 2m rule. Where it is marked out in classrooms and around school it should be followed without exception. This applies on arrival and departure from school.

In classrooms students must follow instructions from staff at all times, this is especially important with regards seating instructions and entering and leaving classrooms.

Behaviour that wilfully undermines the safety measures that the school has put in place or risks the safety of students or staff will not be tolerated. If incidents occur then they will be treated as high level behavioural incidents and sanctioned accordingly.

Examples might include:

- Deliberately ignoring the social distancing measures put in place by the school
- Spitting at another student/member of staff
- Deliberately coughing at a student/member of staff

• Behaviour or language that is intended to cause alarm or distress to students/staff about the current situation

## General Guidance and Rules

- All students must be in full school uniform (blazers or jumpers do not have to be worn).
- Students must sanitize their hands on entry to the school through the main reception area. Students will then be directed to their designated room.
- Students must arrive at 9.45am for 10am start (Year 10) and 12.45pm for 1pm start (Year 12).
- Year 10 must attend school within their allocated group and 'Social Bubble' of 8 students. All students will have received this specific information prior to attending school.
- Any student breaking rules will be asked to leave the site. Parents will be contacted immediately by a member of the senior leadership team. If a student is asked to leave the school site, it may result in them not being able to attend future 'face to face' sessions. Students will be asked to continue their learning remotely.

# Equipment

Students will be provided with their own clear plastic case that contains pens and pencils to complete work. All packs have been labelled and will be kept on the school site.

Although sanitizer and tissues will be available throughout the building, we would also ask students to bring tissues to school so they can cover their mouth if they cough or sneeze. If students have sanitizer they will be allowed to apply it at regular intervals.

## Mobile Phones

The rules on mobile phones remain unchanged, in short they should not be seen and must be switched off whilst on the school site or within the school building.

## Travelling Home

- Students must ensure they go straight home after being dismissed from the school site.
- Students must not congregate outside of the school building. Students must adhere to the 2m social distancing rules and should try, where possible, to go directly home.
- If possible, try not to use public transport. If this is not possible, adhere to the rules, in particular make sure a face mask is worn at all times.
- When students arrive home, if possible, we advise that they leave their shoes outside.
- Students are also advised to change into clean clothing, taking a wash or shower prior to changing. School uniform should be washed in preparation for the following week..

## **Remote Learning**

- All pupils must behave in a respectful, considerate and kind manner whilst they are in virtual classrooms. They must listen to and take direction from their teacher when in class.
- If a student demonstrates behaviour that the teacher deems to be unacceptable or inappropriate the teacher will follow the school behaviour systems, with warnings being given, contacting parents if necessary, and logging incidents on Classcharts.

- Students are expected to participate actively in lessons and complete tasks to the best of their ability. Teachers will provide encouragement and we expect students to attempt every task to the best of their ability.
- Students must only access the lesson using their school email address. Other email addresses will not be accepted. Usernames and photos must be appropriate.
- Usual safeguarding protocols will be followed if your teachers notice anything inappropriate during the video.
- Attendance from all students is strongly advised, to maintain progress in the subject. If a student is unable to attend the lesson students should try to email their teacher beforehand.
- Students must be punctual to lessons, as they would for a normal school lesson, to minimise disruptions to learning.
- Students must be in an appropriate location.
- Students should not attempt to contact teachers outside the school permitted channels.