



**THE LONDON NAUTICAL SCHOOL**  
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Dear Families,

As we come to the end of the Autumn term, the pandemic continues to present challenges to the school. Despite these most challenging of times, it has once again been an incredibly busy term with a range of activities taking place. It has been great to see our students back enjoying educational trips and visits and accessing the range of extra-curricular clubs on offer. We have welcomed a number of visitors to the school with The Royal Navy kicking off the year with our new Year 7's in August, introducing them to LNS through a range of team building activities - they have also worked with our Year 8 cohort and will be returning throughout this academic year. We have also been able to run our 'Splash Days' at Royal Victoria Docks; attended and hosted sporting fixtures and competitions; provided trips to theatres and galleries for all year groups to name but a few. A more comprehensive breakdown can be found in our 'Navigate' magazine attached to this letter.

This letter contains some key information about our return to school in January and some of the support that is on offer during the Christmas break:

**Return to school information:**

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

Staff training day - the school is closed to students.

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

Onsite school testing for all students. Students will only attend school to take a lateral flow test. Students are not required to wear their school uniform. Work will be uploaded to Google Classroom for students to complete. Please see below for the specific time your son / daughter will be expected to attend school.

Date	Activity	Timing
5 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	Year 7: Testing	8:30am - 9.15am
	Year 8 Testing	9.15am - 10.00am
	Year 9 Testing	10.00am - 10.45am
	Year 10 Testing	11.00am - 12.00pm
	Year 11 Testing	1.00pm - 2.00pm
	Years 12 and 13	2.00pm - 3.00pm

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All students must arrive at the start of their allocated time slot and enter via the main reception. Attendance will be recorded and students will be directed to the Malone Hall to await testing.

### **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

All students return to school.

#### **Asymptomatic Testing:**

As illustrated in the table above, prior to our wider reopening on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2022, we will be coordinating onsite asymptomatic testing through Lateral Flow Tests. If you have not previously provided consent please complete the form [here](#).

#### **Winter Grant Scheme:**

All parents of students eligible for Free School Meals will receive a payment of £40 for the holiday period. This payment will be in the form of Tesco vouchers and will be sent to parental email addresses.

#### **Staffing:**

At the end of this term we say farewell to our Head of Year 7, Miss Critchley, after 8 ½ years of service to the school. I would like to wish Miss Critchley all the very best in her future endeavours. Mr Garcia will be taking over as the new Head of Year 7.

#### **Standard Expectations:**

I am conscious that this letter contains a significant amount of information, however, I must re-emphasise the standard set of expectations we will have all students:

- Full school uniform must be worn to and from school.
- Shoes must be plain black, have no tags, and must be polishable.
- Black or navy coats with no logos (not to be worn in school).
- No hoodies.
- A suitably sized navy or black school bag. Pouches are not permitted.
- Hair must be of a straightforward style, clear of the collar and ears.
- No lines in hair or eyebrows.
- No earrings or jewellery are to be worn.
- Mobile phones are allowed in school but may not be out at any time. All pupils will be asked to switch their phones off before entering the school site. If they are seen in corridors etc. they will be confiscated.

#### **Future Updates**

As you will be fully aware, the unpredictable nature of the pandemic may mean that changes occur with very little notice. In the event that there are any changes to our plans for reopening in January, it may be necessary for me to write to you during the Christmas break. Please let us know if there are any changes to you contact details through the link [here](#).

Finally, on behalf of the staff and governing body I would like to thank you for your ongoing support and wish you all a peaceful, happy holiday and prosperous New Year

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Schofield', written in a cursive style.

Mr M Schofield  
Headteacher