

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2021



It seems we are finally seeing the light at the end of the tunnel for school return and we are very pleased to be welcoming back students next week. Parents will have received a letter with the outline for the testing and then school return, but as a reminder first day of teaching in school for students is,

Year 11 Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March

Year 9 & 10 Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> March

Year 7 & 8 Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March

From Tuesday school transport will be running as usual for students.

I am incredibly grateful for the support of parents in supporting us to test students before they return to school and I recognise the difficulty this will cause for some parents, but I strongly believe this allows us to welcome all students back with the best chance of all students staying in school for the remainder of the academic year. Please note that on the days students are being tested there will not be live lessons for their year groups but will be for the year groups not being tested on that day.

We still await news from the exam boards around the Summer arrangements but we have had more guidance from OFQUAL regarding the processes that will need to be followed. I will write to parents of Year 11 this week with more details.

With best wishes for a safe and peaceful return to school

Simon Martin

For God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.

2 Timothy 1:7

Best Wishes

Simon Martin