

Friday 19th March 2021



The week has ended with some good weather at last but my thanks to all of the students for putting up with some cold and damp weather this week. I think it is really important to get students outside wherever we can and hopefully the weather has turned so that this is more enjoyable for all now.

The testing of nearly 800 members of the school community three times in the space of 9 days has been a challenging task but the students have dealt with this with a calm and mature manner, a phrase I seem to be using more and more to describe our students over this last year. The pandemic as awful as it has been has demonstrated repeatedly how resilient and robust our pupils but also shown the care that they have for each other in doing the right things for the right reasons.

Students have been pleased to be back in school and have returned ready to learn and work hard to build upon the work they have completed during their time of home learning. I am hopeful that as the country returns cautiously to normality that we will be able to reintroduce the wider life of the school which students would usually so wholeheartedly engage in.

There has been little new guidance on GCSE's for Year 11 but teachers will talk to students next week about what the assessments will look like for each subject, this is not definitive yet as we await news from the exam boards. As soon as this is certain I will write to parents to explain the process and timetable for students over the next half term.

With best wishes

Simon Martin
Headteacher

“I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.”

John 16 :33