



Woodside High School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As one of the most extraordinary terms comes to a close, we wish to thank you for your tremendous support. We know that home learning has been challenging for everyone at times and we appreciate the commitment and dedication of everyone during this period to support our young people.

Can we begin by clarifying a number of points which the government has confirmed:

- School will open to all students at the beginning of the new academic year in September.
- Attendance is mandatory from this date for all students. However, we appreciate that some families will have concerns and we ask that you contact your child's Head of Year in the first instance so that we can plan for your child's specific needs to support a safe return to school. We ask that you do this prior to your child's return date.
- Students should arrive at school between 8:15 and 8:40am, unless they are accessing breakfast club (see below).
- On the first day of school, year groups will enter through the following gates (these will be clearly signed and are shown on the map at the end of this letter) and will be escorted off site at the following times:
 - Year 7 - Gate A (Main Gate). School departure - 3.15pm
 - Year 8 - Gate B (Grass Area Gate). School departure- 3.15pm
 - Year 9 - Gate C (Kitchen Gate). School departure - 3.20pm
 - Year 10 - Gate D (Staff Entrance Gate). School departure - 3.20pm
 - Year 11 - Gate E (Back Sports Hall Gate). School departure 4.00pm Monday - Thursday, 3.25pm on a Friday.
- If your child arrives late to school (after 8.40am) they must enter through the main gate and sign in at reception. They will be issued a same day C4 detention until 4.05pm.
- Students are expected to dress in full school uniform.
- Students will be taught in whole year 'bubbles' and movement around the school will be limited.
- The internal structure of the day will be modified to allow break and lunchtimes to take place without unnecessarily large groups of students coming together.
- Students will be sat in desks facing forward and the teacher will remain at the front of the room where possible. Assemblies will take place in tutor rooms via zoom.
- The government requires your child to stay at home if they have any Covid symptoms. If your child becomes unwell in school, they will be isolated until your arrival and they will be



sent home. At this stage, you will be required to organise a test and inform school immediately of the results.

- We can use peripatetic teachers and supply teachers; appropriate risk assessments will be in place.
- Breakfast club will be running from 7:30 until 8:15am, however, this will run in a different way to normal.
- After school activities will not take place in September, but we will look to resume them later in the term. No students will be able to stay on site at the end of the school day unless they have been issued a C4 detention.
- We have planned a heightened programme of daily cleaning throughout the school. We have installed additional hand sanitising and washing stations in key areas, particularly where students handle food. Students will be asked to use hand sanitiser before using shared resources such as in the library and computer rooms.

We look to the new academic year with excitement and we are eager to see all our students return to school in September. A reminder that there will be a phased start, as usual, to the school year:

- Thursday 3rd September - Year 7 only
- Friday 4th September – Year 7 and 11 only
- Monday 7th - Years 7, 9 and 11 only
- Tuesday 8th - Years 7, 9, 10 and 11 only
- Wednesday 9th – Years 7, 8, 9, 10, 11

Students are expected to be in school, in full school uniform, for a prompt start at 8:40am. If your child needs to purchase a new school tie to reflect their new Year Group, please ensure they do so before the start of term.

- Year 7: Pink
- Year 8: Red
- Year 9: Orange
- Year 10: Green
- Year 11: Purple

Term dates, staff training days and parents' & carers' (early closure) dates can all be found on the school website- <https://www.woodsidehighschool.co.uk/Parent-Information/Term-Dates/>

Many thanks once again for ongoing support. We wish you a joyful and safe summer break and look forward to welcoming everyone back in September.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Hardcastle

Interim Co-Headteacher

Ms Hartley

Interim Co-Headteacher



School Map

