

Parent Newsletter St Mary Magdalene Secondary

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Dear Parent/Carers,

I hope you have all enjoyed the Easter period and managed to spend quality time with your children. Over the break, as you will be aware, there have been further national restrictions lifted and we pray that COVID cases continue to reduce in numbers and the government's roadmap hopes are met. As a school, our COVID risk assessment has not changed (can be viewed on the school website) but there are a few updates:

Face covering:

Over the Easter break, it was confirmed that face coverings should continue to be worn in secondary school classrooms as a precautionary measure when students return after the Easter break. This cautious approach will help limit the risk of transmission, as twice weekly testing is established and embedded in pupil's routines. It is expected that face coverings will no longer be required to be worn in classrooms, or by students in other communal areas, at Step 3 of the roadmap, which will be no earlier than Monday 17 May.

Rapid testing:

Rapid testing will continue to play a crucial role in keeping our students safe. With as many as one in three people who have the virus not displaying symptoms, testing is helping find and isolate cases, stopping outbreaks before they develop.

Please note: Pupils and staff who had a positive LFT result, and their close contacts and other members of their household, should self-isolate immediately in line with NHS Test and Trace guidance, while awaiting the PCR result. If the PCR test is negative, it overrides the LFT and the staff member, pupil or student can return to school or college, and their close contacts can end their self-isolation.

Upcoming school dates:

Monday 3rd May: Bank holiday Friday 28th May: Half day Monday 31st May–Friday 4th June: Half term holiday Monday 7th June: School re-opens Friday 2nd July: INSET day – school closed to students Wednesday 7th July: Year 7 and 12 induction day – Years 7-10 carry out remote learning from home Thursday 22nd July: Last day for students Friday 23rd July: INSET day – school closed to students

Sports Clubs timetable (Mr Golding and Mr Lawrence):				
	CLUB	STAFF	MEET WHERE?	WHEN?
Mon	Y8 Cricket	YSY	Hard Court	3:00pm-4:15pm
	Y7 Girls Athletics	EWY	Sports Hall	2:45pm-4:00pm
	Y7 Boys Athletics	FLE	Sports Hall	2:45pm-4:00pm
Tues	Y9 Rugby - Y7 Rugby	BBN/JBN	4G Pitch	3:00pm-4:15pm
	Y8 Boys Athletics	YSY	Sports Hall	3:00pm-4:15pm
	Y8 Girls Athletics	EWY	Sports Hall	3:00pm-4:15pm
Weds	Y10 Basketball	Titans	Sports Hall	3:30pm-5:00pm
Thurs	Y9 Girls Athletics	CHS	Sports Hall	3:00pm-4:15pm
	Y9 Boys Athletics	JGG	Sports Hall	3:00pm-4:15pm
Fri	Y11 Football	FLE	4G Pitch	3:15pm-4:30pm
	Y10 Boys Athletics	JGG	Sports Hall	3:15pm-4:30pm
	Y10 Girls Athletics	CHS	Sports Hall	3:15pm-4:30pm

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