

Dear Parents / Carers

Change to the start of term arrangements – Tuesday 4 January 2022 to Friday 7 January 2022

As you are aware the Government has asked secondary schools to carry out lateral flow testing of students after the Christmas holiday at the start of Term 3. In order for us to carry out this testing, we will need to have a staggered return to school at the beginning of next term. As part of this staggered return, students will have a combination of coming into school for lateral flow testing, have remote learning sessions, and a phased return to school for face to face teaching. Please find further details below:

4 <sup>th</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	Attend School for LFT Test then return home	Return to School for face-to-face teaching	Online learning (Remote lessons will start at the usual time and last for 50 mins)
<b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Y7 Y11		Y8 Y9 Y10 Sixth form
<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Y8 Y9	Y7 Y11	Y10 Sixth form
<b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Y10 Sixth form	Y8 Y9	Please note if you are learning online, you will need to attend a 'live' registration session from 9am – 9.15am each morning with your form tutor.
<b>Friday 7<sup>th</sup> January</b>		Y10 Sixth form	

Students arrive at the Girls' Gym for their LFT at the time provided for their form group (see below). Pupils leave the site and return home immediately following their test. There will be no lessons for students on the day their year group attends school for their LFT.

All students with a negative LFT result will return to school at the usual time of 8:45am in readiness for their usual 8:50am line-up. Once students have returned to school for their normal lessons, they continue to attend as usual and the normal school timetable will be followed. Please be mindful of the staggered finish to the school day.

Appointment times for Lateral Flow Testing are detailed below by tutor group. Students who are coming into school for Lateral Flow Testing need to attend at the allotted times and then return home after they have been tested. If a student has had a positive PCR test within 90 days of their scheduled lateral flow testing date, they must NOT take a lateral flow test. There will be no remote learning for students on the day they are due to come into school for testing. On Tuesday 4 January 2022, remote learning will be available via Microsoft Teams for those year groups learning from home. Where possible the lessons will be 'live' unless the teacher is involved in supporting the testing centre. In these cases work will be set for students to complete independently.

Whilst we appreciate that a staggered return in January 2022 is not ideal, we do need to carry out the lateral flow testing as requested by the Government. Testing will only be carried out for students whom we have consent so please use the link below to complete the consent form by THURSDAY 16th DECEMBER:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=seJqziadYkaWa8FmyQmRLcoIO6TFTE1DqFs3ZnLMClpUQ0pYR0tBWUZaSjRRUTZJSEEXUEJSTDIHOS4u>

Students under 16 must have the form completed by a parent/guardian. Students who are 16 or over can complete the form themselves after consulting with a parent/guardian.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support and we wish you all happy and healthy festive period.

Kind regards  
The Abbey School

Date	Year Group	Tutor Group	Arrival Time – Testing centre Girls' Gym		
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	7	7AXW	8.45am		
		7PAJ	9.05am		
		7CJW	9.25am		
		7LCH	9.45am		
		7SHF	10.05am		
		7SM	10.25am		
		7CHP	10.45am		
		7 HSG & PEC	11.05am		
	11	11ANM	11.45am		
		11CRU	12.05pm		
		11GEM	12.25pm		
		11JUK	12.45pm		
		11NC	1.05pm		
		11NKG	1.25pm		
		11ROS	1.45pm		
		11VRB	2.05pm		
		11WHK & PEC	2.25pm		
		Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	8	8BOO	8.45am
8MGR	9.05am				
8AJG	9.25am				
8JUA	9.45am				
8DPJ/DRH	10.05am				
8MIS	10.25am				
8NRG	10.45am				
8ZAM & PEC	11.05am				
9	9FMF		11.45am		
	9LUP		12.05pm		
	9BC		12.25pm		
	9RIT		12.45pm		
	9LMD		1.05pm		
	9TK		1.25pm		
	9DM		1.45pm		
	9HFI/EAR & PEC		2.05pm		
	Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> January		10	10JAH	8.45am
				10LGG	9.05am
10ADS		9.25am			
10SRN		9.45am			
10TLB		10.05am			
10BUS		10.25am			
10HA		10.45am			
10JHG		11.05am			
10JJE & PEC		11.25am			
12		12CMS		12.05pm	
		12MDS	12.25pm		
		12NAL/JHG	12.45pm		
		13DIB	1.05pm		
13		13JAL	1.25pm		
		13ROB	1.45pm		