

7th September 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are very pleased that the term has started smoothly and that Key Stage 5 students are already progressing in their chosen courses. Our students will be committed to their studies with nine lessons allocated to each subject in Year 13, though there are some variations to this. Additionally, the WBQ will present its own challenges to each year group.

I write to inform you that from tomorrow, (Tuesday 8th September), Year 13 students will only be required to be on site when they have a scheduled timetabled lesson. It is strongly recommended that students do not remain on site when there is no scheduled lesson. This is to ease congestion in the Oriel and minimise social interaction between students around the site at this time. There is no requirement for students to attend registration in the morning or afternoon sessions as attendance marks will be taken during timetabled lessons. In addition to this decision, if needed, Year 12 and 13's canteen will now be the Junior Canteen (D Block) in the Blue Zone, Zone 1. Anyone in receipt of EMA will continue to receive payment providing scheduled lessons are attended. We would appreciate your support and understanding with these changes.

The above arrangements will be reviewed on a regular basis as we strive towards a more established day time routine. I would also like to add that the above arrangements supersede any previously communicated arrangements for year 13. I hasten to add that this time is not to be used for paid employment or driving lessons. We trust that students will value the opportunity being offered to them and use the time in the best way they can.

If you would like to discuss these or any other matter in more detail then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Lisa Allinson Head of Key Stage 5