



1 November 2020

Dear Families,

I hope that you have had a restful half term break and that your sons/daughters are ready for the return to school this week.

Following the government's announcement on Saturday evening regarding a second period of lockdown, I wanted to reassure families that students are to return to school tomorrow (Monday 2 November) at the normal time. Any changes or revisions as a result of lockdown will be communicated to families in the coming days so please look out for any important updates.

We enjoyed a fantastic start to the school year, in what could have been challenging circumstances, largely due to the efforts of the staff, pupils and support given by our parents. I am confident that with the same application that we showed in term 1, we can make term 2 as successful. To support this can I please ask that you:

- Speak to and remind your son/daughter of the importance of following all Covid related rules that we have within the school. As the term begins we will continue to follow the same changes made for the September opening and any changes as a result of lockdown will be shared with students and families this week.
- Please ensure that your son arrives to school dressed in the correct uniform including suitable footwear. We continue to stock clean and sanitised shoes and uniform, which also goes through a period of quarantine, if your son is unable to wear his own uniform. Please support my staff in ensuring your son meets the high expectations I'm sure you would like us to have with them.
- Please ensure that your son has the appropriate equipment that supports his learning, such as a pencil case with working pens.
- Continue to support high attendance at school. It's important that students attend school every day unless there is a genuine reason to support their absence. If you are unsure whether your child should be in school due to the need to self-isolate please ring the school office for clarification or refer to the guidance on the academy website which can be found [here](#).

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely

Mr Sebastian St John
Head of School