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1st January 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to update you, after Wednesday's announcement, about the reopening of secondary schools after the Christmas break. I apologise for the short notice, and any inconvenience that this may cause.

Staggered start to the spring term:

The government has now instructed schools to delay the return of students to the classroom and commence a staggered start in secondary schools from January 11th 2021. The implications for your child/children are below.

- Tuesday 5th January to Friday 8th January 2021 - **All year groups** will be taught remotely at home for this week. Students should follow their scheduled timetable and access their learning through google classroom. For the majority of subjects, teachers will deliver live online lessons. **The only students permitted in school will be the children of critical workers and vulnerable children.** These students will be supervised in computer rooms where they will have access to the same online learning as those students working from home.
- Monday 11th January 2021 - **Year 11** students will return to school for onsite lessons – with all other year groups continuing to accessing online lessons at home.
- Monday 18th January 2021 - **All remaining students** are scheduled to onsite lessons.

Please note we will write to you with further details regarding students' return nearer to their return date, after we have looked into the implications of mass testing in the school from 4th January 2021 onwards. We are still awaiting further guidance from the Government around these arrangements.

If you are a critical worker or the parent of a vulnerable student **and** need your child to attend from Tuesday 5th January to Friday 15th January 2021, please click google form link below and complete the requested information. This will help us plan the arrangements for those weeks.

Google Form Link: <https://forms.gle/QVif8LFTYo4TrFx38>

The key worker/vulnerable criteria can be accessed through the website link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision>

Please complete the Google Form by Monday 4th January 2021.

We would ask that you only send your child to school if necessary for those 9 days, as staff will be concentrating their efforts on teaching online lessons, as well as preparing Year 11 students for their January exams.

Students attending school should meet in the school playground at 8:45 am wearing their school uniform and facemasks as normal. Should the situation change we will update you as early as possible.





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Lateral flow tests

The government has said it will provide schools, from January, with the resources to test staff and students for Covid-19 using rapid lateral flow tests.

Training for schools on how to deliver these tests will be provided from next week. We will keep parents up-to-date and provide further information as the situation becomes clearer. We would, of course, also ask for your consent before we undertook any testing of your child within school.

Home learning

During this period, your child will complete home learning through Google Classroom. Lessons or activities will be provided for each period of the school day. To access these resources, students should log on to Google Classroom using their Kelvin Google account and find the relevant subject for their normal timetabled lessons each day.

<https://classroom.google.com/>

Students can share their work with teachers to receive help and feedback. They can do this by using the 'Hand-In' function on Google Classroom. For the majority of subjects, live online lessons will also be provided through the 'Meet Link' on Google Classroom. On Monday, you will receive an email from Mr Leng with further guidance on our home learning arrangements.

For more information and support with home learning, please check the relevant section of the Kelvin Hall website on the link below.

<https://www.kelvinhall.net/students-home-learning>

If you have any issues accessing home learning or you do not have the appropriate IT equipment at home, please contact homelearning@kelvinhall.net.

Best wishes and Happy New Year.

Yours sincerely,

Mr P. Cavanagh
Executive Headteacher

