

# Autumn Term Parents' Forum

## Microsoft Teams: Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October 5.30pm

### Reminders:

- This meeting will be recorded.
- Please keep your microphone on mute during the meeting.
- Please turn off your video if your internet connection is poor to enable better audio.
- Please turn off your video if there are lots of other people around in the background!
- Ask any questions by putting them in the Chat during the meeting – questions will then be responded to; then enable your audio to respond further to the response as necessary, then put microphone back on mute.
- We will also answer the questions “sent in” prior to tonight’s session too.



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# Our key principles for September re-opening

- To ensure safety for students and staff is the highest priority.
- We aim to keep as much normality as possible for students and staff but we have a 'new normal'.
- Students are following their normal curriculum with a broad and balanced curriculum.
- We are doing all we can to ensure our students experience a high quality of education, allowing them to re-connect with their school community, thrive and make progress.



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# Key Changes at HT: 'Bubbles'

- Students are in year group 'bubbles' in Years 7 to 11.
- We have a Sixth Form 'bubble' for Year 12 and 13 students.
- Staff are working across bubbles and are socially distanced from students (2 metres).



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# Maintaining good hygiene

- Students are expected to sanitise their hands regularly.
- Students are expected to use hand sanitiser on arrival at school, on arrival to a new room, before and after eating at break and lunchtime.
- Sanitiser stations are provided throughout the school and in every learning zone.
- Students are encouraged to bring their own hand sanitiser and tissues to school too, if possible.
- Students must ensure good respiratory hygiene by following 'Catch it, Bin it, Kill it'.



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# Break and Lunchtimes

- There are staggered break and lunchtimes for different Key Stages.
- The Dining Hall is zoned for different bubbles.
- There are separate social spaces for bubbles.
- Social distancing within bubbles is challenging.



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# Pastoral and SEND support

- We recognise that the last few months have been very difficult for students and families.
- We are here to help – our pastoral and student support teams including tutors will continue to support our students.
- We recognise that some students with SEND require more support to adjust to our new normal, and this support is ongoing, coordinated by our Flex/SEND Coordinator.
- Counselling support, and support from other agencies such as HABS (Hoddesdon and Broxbourne Settings) who offer family support, is available for students and families.



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# Student behaviour, attitudes and learning

- School has been calm and purposeful.
- We have been really impressed with our students.
- We are using Class Charts to give achievement and behaviour points.
- We are also using Class Charts to set all homework and provide feedback to students.



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# Preventing Infection

- We must work together to minimise contact with individuals who are unwell, by ensuring those with COVID-19 symptoms, or who have someone in their household who does, **do not attend school.**
- In these circumstances it is essential to follow self-isolation guidance and access testing for COVID-19.
- Please ensure you contact the school to let us know.
- We will then follow advice about what to do next.
- **Students MUST NOT attend school if they, or any member of their family are displaying symptoms of COVID-19.**
- **Symptoms are a high temperature; a new, continuous cough; a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste.**



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Please contact your child's form tutor in the first instance, or  
your child's Year Achievement Coordinator.

Thank you for your support.

Stay safe.

We are here to help.

**Feedback, queries, questions,  
clarification, issues?**



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