

# Haileybury Turnford

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4<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

Happy New Year and all good wishes for 2022.

I hope that you have had an enjoyable, restful and safe Christmas, and your child(ren) are ready for the new term.

COVID-19 – and particularly Omicron – has dominated the news over the Christmas break and the government has asked schools to put in place some additional protective measures as schools re-open. The government has been very clear that it will do everything possible to keep schools open and for public exams to take place both this half-term and in the summer. We will be explaining all arrangements to students at the start of term. The latest government information for parents/carers can be viewed here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak>

These COVID-19 protective measures are due to be reviewed by the government on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

## Return to school

As a result of testing in school, it will be necessary for a staggered start to lessons in the new year, as communicated to all families prior to Christmas.

Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> January
Staff Training Day	Lessons in school for Year 11, 12 & 13	Lessons in school for Year 9, 10, 11, 12 & 13
Testing for Year 11, 12 & 13	Testing for Year 9 & 10	Testing for Year 7 & 8
	Remote learning for Year 7, 8, 9 & 10	Remote learning for Year 7 & 8

All year groups will return to lessons in school by Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January and remote learning will be set via Class Charts for specific year groups not returning to in-school teaching this week.

## Face coverings (masks)

Throughout last term we required all students and staff to wear face coverings (masks) in indoor communal areas around the school. The government has now extended this, and face coverings (masks) are now also required in classrooms, as well as in all indoor communal areas including in corridors, the Hall and the Dining Hall. Face coverings (masks) are not required when wearing one would impact on the ability to take part in exercise or strenuous activity, for example in PE or Dance lessons. Teachers will wear face coverings (masks) in lessons too when working closely with students, but may not necessarily wear one in the classroom if they are at the front of the class, distanced from the majority of students.

It is important therefore that students come to school with an appropriate face covering and that this is washed or replaced on a regular basis. The school has a limited supply of face coverings (masks) for students who do not have their own, or require a replacement during the school day.

Students must also wear a face covering when travelling on public transport and should wear it on dedicated transport to and from school (such as a taxi).

## Lateral Flow Device Testing at the start of term

The government requires all schools to test students on site before they return to lessons. We will therefore be asking all students to complete a supervised lateral flow test this week which will take place in the Gym prior to



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returning to on-site lessons. The schedule for this process can be seen below. Students should arrive at school at the designated time. It is not necessary to wear school uniform, and students will return home after testing. If a student receives a positive test result, we will contact you so that they can arrange a confirmatory PCR test and start their period of self-isolation. Students in isolation can return to school on Day 8 after the onset of symptoms, provided they have negative lateral flow test results taken on Day 6 and 7 (tests taken 24 hours apart). We will not report negative test results to you.

Even if a student has tested positive for COVID-19 within the last 90 days, they are strongly encouraged to take part in lateral flow testing on-site this week and at home once they have completed their isolation period for their prior infection. This is a recent change to government advice.

Lateral flow testing should continue at home twice weekly throughout this term, and the results be reported to the [government website](#), whether positive or negative, and if positive, to the school at [attendance@haileyburyturnford.com](mailto:attendance@haileyburyturnford.com). We are recommending that students test on Sunday and Wednesday evenings or before school on Monday and Thursday mornings. Any student contacted by NHS Track and Trace because they are a close contact is strongly advised to take a lateral flow test every day for 7 days and continue to attend school as normal, unless they have a positive test result. If you require any additional test kits these will be issued by the school once term is underway.

## Vocational Public Exams this month

These will continue as planned in the coming weeks and will follow the published timetables.

## Students having to self-isolate at the start of term

If your child has tested positive during the Christmas break and will still be completing their self-isolation period at the start of term, please contact the school's Attendance Administrator as soon as possible at [attendance@haileyburyturnford.com](mailto:attendance@haileyburyturnford.com) and let them know when your child should be able to return to school.

## COVID-19 Vaccinations

COVID-19 vaccinations are available for all students aged 12 and over. Further details can be [found here](#)

Thank you for your support with these important protective measures which should help to minimise disruption to learning and ensure a smooth and successful start to the new term. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact [enquiries@haileyburyturnford.com](mailto:enquiries@haileyburyturnford.com) or the relevant pastoral contacts.

Yours faithfully



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## COVID-19 testing for students prior to the start of term – January 2022

Testing Date	Year Group	Surname Range	Time
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	Year 11	A to C	09:30 – 10:00
		D to H	10:00 – 10:30
		I to P	10:30 – 11:00
		T to Z	11:00 – 11:30
	Year 12	A to H	11:30 – 12:00
		L to Z	12:00 – 12:30
		Break	
	Year 13	A to H	13:00 – 13:30
		L to Z	13:30 – 14:00
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	Year 9	A to C	09:30 – 10:00
		D to H	10:00 – 10:30
		I to P	10:30 – 11:00
		R to Z	11:00 – 11:30
	Year 10	A to D	11:30 – 12:00
		E to L	12:00 – 12:30
		M to S	12:30 – 13:00
		T to Z	13:00 – 13:30
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	Year 7	A to F	09:30 – 10:00
		G to L	10:00 – 10:30
		M to R	10:30 – 11:00
		S to Z	11:00 – 11:30
	Year 8	A to D	11:30 – 12:00
		E to L	12:00 – 12:30
		M to S	12:30 – 13:00
		T to Z	13:00 – 13:30
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	Mop Up	Any remaining students previously absent and not tested	



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