

December 10th 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

**As from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December ALL students will be back in school as normal.**

Thank you for your support during the last week with the remote learning days, I hope we never have to do them again!

Next week is the last week of term and I am writing to provide you with some information about events taking place during the week.

### **Reward Assemblies**

Next week each Year group will hold its termly Rewards Assembly where we celebrate the achievements of our students. So hopefully your son or daughter will come home with a certificate or prize.

### **The School Musical ELF**

The students have been rehearsing for this production which we will present to Year 7 and film to enable parents to watch it. Unfortunately, with the already high levels of Covid in our school community we cannot risk having a wide range of people from differing settings all in the School Hall in the days before Christmas.

### **Christmas Lunch on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December**

Our amazing canteen staff have planned a special Christmas lunch for next Wednesday, full details are on the menu attached to this letter.

### **Last day of term timings**

School ends at 1:30pm (After lunch) on December 17th

Tutor Period	08:30 – 08:40
Lesson 1	08:40 – 09:55
Lesson 2	09:55 – 11:10
Split Break and Tutor Period	11:10 – 11:50
Lesson 3	11:50 – 12:30
Lunch Year 9, 10 & 11 / DEAR Time Year 7, 8	12:30 – 12:55
Lunch Year 7, 8 / DEAR Time 9, 10 and 11	12:55 – 1:20
Tutor Time and checks prior to dismissal	1:20 – 1:30

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### **Start of the Spring Term Arrangements**

The government has now informed schools that they must set up Lateral Flow Device testing stations again and test students before their return to school in January. This means that your children will return to school on a set day and at a set time in the New Year. Mrs Ashmore (Assistant Vice Principal) will write to you all next week setting out exactly when the children will have their test and when they should return to school.

The plan for testing our 950 students is set out at the end of this letter, please read it carefully.

### **Term 1 Newsletter**

At the start of the Spring Term I will send out our first proper newsletter celebrating the activities that have taken place during the Autumn Term. This will include lots of pictures and reports covering everything we have done since September and I promise it won't refer to Covid!

### **Homework, Home Learning and Remote Learning**

We understand that there has been some understandable confusion regarding the terms: *remote learning* and *home learning* and for this we apologise. To make it easier for parents we will revert to the use of Homework for the normal weekly work set by teachers that students are expected to do and which is based on Knowledge Organiser tasks and checked using retrieval tests in class each lesson. Remote Learning will be used for the work that is set for students who are not in school whether due to Covid lockdowns or other reasons. We have changed the names on our website to reflect this.

Both Homework and Remote Learning resources can be found on the Academy website

Home work [weyvalley-academy.co.uk/pupils/home-learning/](http://weyvalley-academy.co.uk/pupils/home-learning/)

Remote Learning [weyvalley-academy.co.uk/pupils/remote-learning/](http://weyvalley-academy.co.uk/pupils/remote-learning/)

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### **Vaccination**

All eligible staff and students aged 12 and over are encouraged to take up the offer of the vaccine, including boosters. Vaccines are our best defence against COVID-19. They help protect young people and adults, and benefit those around them. Vaccination makes people less likely to catch the virus and less likely to pass it on.

To book a vaccination, please visit: Book or manage a coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccination – NHS ( [www.nhs.uk](http://www.nhs.uk) ). You may also wish to email [dhc.covid1215appointments@nhs.net](mailto:dhc.covid1215appointments@nhs.net)

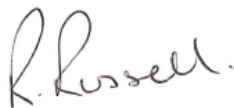
to make an appointment at a local clinic. As I have explained before, more local venues for the vaccine will be coming on-stream soon. Thank you for bearing with the NHS Team who are dealing with a huge challenge currently.

### **New way to record Lateral Flow Device test results**

We will be using Class Charts to allow you to enter your child's lateral flow device test results from the start of next term. This is a much simpler way for you to quickly record the result. Full details will be sent to you next week on how to use either the web based or App versions of Class Charts to do this.

Please take the time to read the Lateral Flow Testing Plan for the January return to school which is set out below and also take a look at the School Christmas Lunch menu £2.30 for main meal and a pudding!

Yours faithfully



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Principal

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**COVID MASS TEST CENTRE TIMETABLE JANUARY 2022**  
**TUESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY (Yr7 and 11. All students to go home after testing)**

Registration Time (3D Leisure Entrance to Sports Hall)	Tutor Group	Tutor
9.15am	7X1	7NPE
9.30am	7X2	7MOS
9.45am	7X3	7JSP
10.00am	7X4	7PHA
10.15am	7Y1	7PHY
10.30am	7Y2	7RWH
10.45am	7Y3	7LHI
11.00am	7Y4	7SLY
<b>BREAK 11.15 – 11.45</b>	<b>BREAK</b>	
11.45am	11X1	11SRI
12.00pm	11X2	11LHI
12.15pm	11X3	11SSA
12.30pm	11Y1	11EFO
<b>LUNCH 12.45 – 1.30pm</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>	
1.30pm	11Y2	11JGR
1.45pm	11Y3	11SSH

**WEDNESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY (Yr10 and 8 – All students remain in school after testing. Week 1)**

Registration Time (WMH)	Class Group	Teacher
8.45am	8X1	ECH
9.00am	8X2	KCH
9.15am	8X3	RMA
9.30am	8X4	LHI
9.45am	8X5	MOS
10.00am	8Y1	VTH
10.15am	8Y2	LJA
10.30am	8Y3	EST
<b>BREAK 10.45am – 11.30am</b>	<b>BREAK</b>	
11.30am	10X/Y1	BMC
11.45 am	10X/Y2	EFO
12.00pm	10X/Y3	CPO
12.15pm	10X/Y4	JSP
12.30pm	10X/Y5	PHY
12.45pm	10X/Y6	SSH
1.00pm	10X/Y7	LJA
<b>LUNCH 1.15pm – 2.00pm</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>	
<b>2.00pm</b>	<b>Mop Ups</b>	

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**THURSDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY (Yr9 – All students remain in school after testing. Week 1)**

Registration Time (WMH)	Tutor Group	Tutor / Teacher
8.45 am	9X1	9PCO (Hums)
9.00am	9X2	9SGU (Hums)
9.15am	9X3	9SHA (Hums)
9.30am	9X4	9MYO (Hums)
9.45am	9Y1	9KCH (Art / ICT)
10.00am	9Y2	9NSM (Maths)
10.15am	9Y3	9ECH (Maths)
10.30am Mop Ups		

**FESTIVE CHRISTMAS LUNCH**  
**FROM THE DINER**  
**WEDNESDAY 15TH DECEMBER 2021**

**ROAST TURKEY OR ROAST BEEF,  
ROAST POTATOES, PIGS IN BLANKETS, BABY CARROTS,  
SPROUTS, HONEY GLAZED ROAST PARSNIPS,  
CARROT & SWEDE MASH, YORKSHIRE PUDDING,  
STUFFING BALLS AND GRAVY**



**VEGETARIAN OPTION:  
NUT ROAST SLICE  
OR  
CREAMY VEGETABLE PIE**



**PUDDING:  
CHOCOLATE YULE LOG WITH CREAM  
\* FESTIVE SELECTION OF CAKES  
AND BISCUITS (\*ADDITIONAL CHARGES APPLY)**

**MAIN MEAL INCLUDES A PUDDING  
£2.30 (STUDENTS)**

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