



Dear Parents and Carers

## Newsletter (2) – 3rd September 2020

We have welcomed all students back to school this morning and it is lovely to see everyone returned. We will spend this week establishing the new routines and also getting back into learning. I will continue to keep you informed of important matters as they arise via these newsletters.

### **Masks**

We have decided that we would like students and staff to wear masks in the corridors when moving from their village to another area of school. I am of course aware that some students, for very good reasons, will not be able to wear a mask. If this applies to your child, please could you email your child's tutor to let them know. We do not need to know the reason. We will give students a card as a back-up in case they need it, but I have also asked staff not to challenge students not wearing a mask, but they can check with the tutor as necessary. I have also told all students in virtual assembly today that they must not single out anyone not wearing a mask. Other than those with a special reason, everyone else should wear a mask in the corridors outside of their villages.

### **PE Kit**

We are fortunate to have taken over the community changing rooms for student use so that we have additional changing facilities for sport. This means that we can use changing rooms on a rota basis and have time to clean them between uses by different year groups. Therefore, students should wear uniform to school as normal and bring PE kit to change into and out of.

### **Morning Arrivals**

Obviously we want students to be on time, but it is a problem now when students are early. May I ask again that students who do not travel by bus arrive on site after 8.10am each morning. This prevents large groups of students from different years mixing before the tutor rooms are open at 8.15am.

### **Equipment**

Please could students check each day that they have the right equipment for the day ahead as we are not able to lend equipment in lessons. Also, we do not have the usual capacity to deal with forgotten equipment being delivered to school, so please do avoid bringing forgotten equipment into school except in an emergency. This reduces the risk of transmission. It also is an excellent motivation for students to be highly organised this term.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher