

AJF/rb – 4 September 2020

Dear Parent/Carer/Year 10 students

Re: Year 10 Return to School - Tuesday 8 September 2020

I am so happy to be writing this letter welcoming you all back to The Long Eaton School from Tuesday 8 September. It seems such a long time since I have spoken to most of you. Firstly, I really hope you are all safe and well. It has been nearly 6 months since we have had the majority of students in school, and we have had to adapt to a 'new' life and way of working, which has been particularly challenging.

I have missed you all during the lockdown period, and I look forward to seeing you all again next week. I am pretty sure that a lot of you have changed, matured and grown up significantly during lockdown, and a lot of you will now probably be taller than me! It has been my absolute pleasure speaking to some of you during lockdown, and hearing from yourselves and your tutors about all the amazing things you have done and accomplished over the lockdown. I am immensely proud of you for so maturely adapting to our new way of life.

I know that a lot of you have worked exceptionally hard with your home learning, while others have found it a challenge and not completed all set work. This is why it is so important that as we return, we make the most of every second of each lesson to cover any gaps in learning.

Unfortunately, things are not going to be normal when we go back to school, teachers and students alike are going to have to adapt to the new temporary norm of school. Things are going to look different - classrooms, the school day and staggered start and end times. These temporary measures are critical to protect you, your families and our staff from Covid.

Year 10 School Day:

09:50 – 10:40	Period 1
10:40 – 11:30	Period 2
11:30 – 11:50	Year 10 Break Time
11:50 – 12:40	Period 3
12:40 – 13:30	Period 4
13:30 – 14:00	Year 10 Lunch Time
14:00 – 14:50	Period 5
14:50 – 15:40	Period 6

These times are for Year 10 only, the vast majority of your lessons will be double periods (100 minutes), with a few exceptions such as Core PE & Life Skills/PSHE.

Year 10's first day back in school will be Tuesday 8 September, you will need to arrive in full school uniform for 9:50am. Our base for the day is going to be Science, so I have allocated each form group to a base room. When you arrive, you need to go immediately to this room, where your tutor will greet you and tell you where to sit.

Tutor Group	Form Tutor	Base Room
10CAL	Mr M Donas Salinas	S6F
10CAE	Miss S Mills	S4G
10CHL	Mr P Tam	S2G
10CHE	Miss K Dyer	S3G
10HAL	Miss L Clarke	S7F
10HAE	Mr J Allinson	S1G
10SUL	Miss L Denton	S8F
10SUE	Mrs A Webb	S5G

You will spend your first day back in school with your tutor group. A lot of time will be spent explaining our new way of working and allowing time for discussions and questions as we all adapt together to our new routines. Please do not worry about returning to school and the new way of working, it will soon become routine. There are hand sanitiser stations spread around school for you to use, and we also encourage you to bring your own. As a school, we are minimising the chance of different year groups meeting, we are however strongly encouraging you to wear school appropriate face coverings in busy communal areas. It is vitally important we all follow these new rules, policies and procedures to keep one another safe.

If you have any questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to get in touch with myself. I really look forward to welcoming you all back on Tuesday 8 September with big smiles!

Yours faithfully
The Long Eaton School

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Mr A Fox
Head of Year 10