

27th April 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

Removal of the Bubble system

I am writing to inform you that school will **close at 12pm on Friday 6th May 2022** due to an additional staff inset afternoon. There will also be a **staggered return** to school on **Monday 9th May 2022**. With the drop in Covid cases we are working to remove the 'bubble system' that is currently in place and this time will allow us to do this.

Tuesday 6th May – Staff Inset

School closure at 12pm

Students who receive free school meals will be offered a 'grab bag' and drink prior to leaving school at 12pm.

Monday 9th May – Staggered Start:

Year's 7, 10 and 11 should come to school at the normal time of **8.25am**.

Years 8 and 9 should come to school at the later time of **11.00am**

This inset day is to allow staff to prepare for the removal of the 'bubble system' and the staggered start will be in place to allow us to teach the students about the changes to movement around the building and the closing of the 'bubble system'.

We want students to be able to learn in the different specialist areas of the school and thus remove the need for social distancing. As you can imagine this will require lots of moving of resources and preparation of classrooms ready for the following Monday.

From Monday 9th May onwards, students will transition to different classrooms during the day and mix with other year groups both inside and outside of the building.

Please be assured however that additional hygiene measures such as sanitisers and enhanced cleaning of the building will remain in place.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr McEvoy

Principal

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