



28 August 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this email finds you and your families well.

At the end of last term, I wrote to you to share what our current thinking was in terms of how school will re-open in September. I had hoped to be able to do this today, but following the government updates this week and the implications that this has on reopening school, I will now write to you in the early part of next week. I will then be in a position to share with you what our plans are so that you are clear and confident on how our school will be safe for your son or daughter.

I can however, confirm some of the information that I shared back in July.

- School reopens for staff on Thursday 3 September for two days of staff training
- Parents and learners will be invited into school on either **Monday 7th September** or **Tuesday 8th September** at an agreed time to meet (in a social distanced way) with their Form tutor/ Class teacher to discuss the new arrangements for the school year. Appointments will be made by our Admin team during the staff training days
- From Wednesday 9th September to Friday 11th September, year groups of learners will be invited into school for one day to re-orientate themselves with the building and begin lessons with their teachers.
 - **Wednesday 9th September:** Bedrock Class, Year 7 and Year 10 learners
 - **Thursday 10th September:** Narnia Class, Year 8 & 9
 - **Friday 11th September:** Manhattan Class and Year 11
- All year groups will then return to school on **Monday 14th September** to commence their lessons

As a reminder, all learners will be expected to return wearing the new school uniform

- Black trousers
Trousers should be plain school style only with some looseness within the length of the trouser leg. Lycra or other skinny/stretch material will not be allowed. They must be of a traditional/formal style, not a casual style e.g. trousers should be like suit trousers (denim/jeans are not permitted)
- Black Skirt
The skirt should be knee length and modest. Fitted skirts are not permitted. Lycra or other skinny/stretch material will not be allowed.

- White shirt
The shirt should be plain style, buttoned to the collar with enough material allowance to stay tucked into waistband
- School Jumper- School will provide this
- Black shoes or trainers.
Shoes should be sensible for school use, flat soled or with very low heels, no more than half an inch at the front of the heel. High heeled shoes are quite unsuitable and are dangerous on our school sites. Boots should not to be worn.
- Jewellery
No facial piercings are permitted inclusive of retainers. It is recommended that jewellery is kept to a minimum of a Wrist watch; one plain metal stud in each ear and a ring for health and safety reasons.

I will write to you again in the early part of next week to share with you the arrangements that we have in place. In the meantime, can I wish you an enjoyable bank holiday weekend.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Nick Morley', enclosed within a light blue oval scribble.

Nick Morley
Principal