



# THE JOHN FISHER SCHOOL

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10th December 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

## Partial Opening/Remote Education: Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Dec – Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> Dec

We will continue to follow the same rota for the final four days next week as previously planned:

	Yr7	Yr8	Yr9	Yr10	Yr11	Sixth Form
Monday 6th December	In School	Remote Learning <b>Not in School</b>	Remote Learning <b>Not in School</b>	In School	In School	
Tuesday 7th December	In School	Remote Learning <b>Not in School</b>	Remote Learning <b>Not in School</b>	In School	In School	In School for Exams ONLY
Wednesday 8th December	In School	In School	In School	Remote Learning <b>Not in School</b>	Remote Learning <b>Not in School</b>	BTEC Lessons online
Thursday 9th December	In School	In School	In School	Remote Learning <b>Not in School</b>	Remote Learning <b>Not in School</b>	
Friday 10th December	Independent Home Learning set on SMH <b>Not in School</b>	Independent Home Learning set on SMH <b>Not in School</b>	Independent Home Learning set on SMH <b>Not in School</b>	Independent Home Learning set on SMH <b>Not in School</b>	Independent Home Learning set on SMH <b>Not in School</b>	Independent Home Learning set on SMH <b>Not in School</b>
Monday 13th December	In School	Remote Learning <b>Not in School</b>	Remote Learning <b>Not in School</b>	In School	In School	Remote Learning <b>Not in School</b>
Tuesday 14th December	In School	Remote Learning <b>Not in School</b>	Remote Learning <b>Not in School</b>	In School	In School	Remote Learning <b>Not in School</b>
Wednesday 15th December	In School	In School	In School	Remote Learning <b>Not in School</b>	Remote Learning <b>Not in School</b>	Remote Learning <b>Not in School</b>
Thursday 16th December <b>FINAL DAY OF PROVISION FOR STUDENTS</b>	In School	In School	In School	Remote Learning <b>Not in School</b>	Remote Learning <b>Not in School</b>	Remote Learning <b>Not in School</b>
Friday 17th December	STAFF IN SCHOOL UNTIL 1PM					

### Mufti Day: Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December for students in Years 10 & 11

Students in Years 7, 8 & 9 raised £761.75 from the Mufti Day on Thursday.

On Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December, it will be the turn of Year 10 & 11 students. We would ask these students to make a **minimum £2 donation** via ParentPay - Christmas jumpers encouraged!.

The money raised from the Mufti Days will be split between the Christmas Shoe Box Appeal (<https://shoeboxonline.samaritans-purse.org.uk>), the Catholic Children's Society (Home - Catholic Childrens Society ([cathchild.org.uk](http://cathchild.org.uk)), the Book Trust Christmas Appeal ([www.booktrust.org.uk](http://www.booktrust.org.uk)) and 'Jumpers for Jimmy' appeal (<https://mizenfoundation.org>)

## Testing

Schools have been asked to deliver lateral flow testing on return after the Christmas break. The test is voluntary, but requires consent. Please note parental consent is required for all students under 16 years. Students over 16 years can self-consent, but we would encourage you all to discuss the contents of this letter with your sons.

The consent form is now available for completion via Edulink. Parents/carers should log in to Edulink using their normal credentials and select Forms. Please complete the form on behalf of your son or allow your son to complete it if they are over 16. The deadline for consent is 12.00pm on Wednesday 15th December. We appreciate that you may have provided consent previously for on-site school testing, but re-consent is required for January. The school's Privacy Notice for testing is on the school website.

We will be offering tests to all consenting students on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022**. Please see the schedule below:

Arrival Time	Year Groups
9.00am	Years 7 & 8
10.30am	Years 9 & 10
12.00pm	Year 11
2.00pm	Years 12 & 13

**If your son has a smart phone, it would be helpful for him to have it with him when attends for testing, to assist with the registration process.**

The student will receive a text notification of a positive or negative result from the online NHS system to the mobile number given on the consent form. Your son can dress casually on his testing day; he does not need to wear his full school uniform.

If your son tests positive using a lateral flow device, he will need to take a further 'PCR test' to confirm the result. This additional PCR test should be taken on the same day or as soon as possible afterwards. Parents/carers will be responsible for arranging the PCR test. During the time you are waiting for the PCR result, students will need to self-isolate.

The testing programme is for people with no symptoms. If your son develops symptoms at any time they must immediately self-isolate, and book a PCR test.

**Students will be returning for lessons on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January.**

The school also has a contingency plan should we not have as many testers available as expected. In the event that we needed to move to a contingency plan, then the following model would be used, when students would be tested on both Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January and Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January. Here is our contingency plan:

### Day 1: Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January

Arrival Time	Year Groups
9.00am	Years 7 & 8
1.00pm	Years 9 & 10

### Day 2: Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January

Arrival Time	Year Groups
9.00am	Years 12 & 13
11.00am	Year 11

### Thank you

Thank you for your ongoing support at this time. We continue to have parents/carers write to the school and it is difficult to explain how appreciated the staff feel as a result of reading these messages. Here is a couple of the most recent examples:

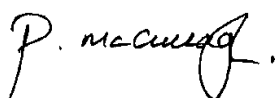
*-‘Please congratulate and thank all of the staff for a very successful week with the new programme of students learning from home and also being at school. Everything has run smoothly and has been well organised providing the students with much needed routine. Not only have they been able to continue with their academic lessons but also with their sport and spirituality. It was great for them to have their Team Meeting provided by Mr Tomlinson and also Collective Worship provided by Mr Barry. What a lucky community we are to have such fantastic support.’ (Mother of Yr 8 student)*

*-‘I hope you don't mind me saying I am very impressed & find your approach extremely refreshing and thus, take this golden opportunity to commend you and your team for your mindfulness especially, in this most unprecedented, unpredictable & uncertain current global climate. I appreciate all the hard/diligent work you and your team have been doing over the last 18/20 months (during the pandemic) and I want all you teachers to know, you are special folk, doing the best you can given the delicate circumstances in testing & challenging times.*

*With light to the above, I salute all the teachers in JFS and again even though most parents don't say it, the teachers in JFS are the true superheroes. I would like you to pause for just a moment and think about my sentiments, yes, I will reiterate, each and every teacher in JFS is a role-model & superhero, why because you give with all your heart & soul never ever wanting anything back in return and most importantly, you positively lift, support, guide, nurture & nourish young minds, hence, you are true superheroes.*

*Well done and we parents are bursting with pride to say our son's go to the JFS where the teachers are the real superheroes. Please feel free to divulge my comments / feedback to all the teachers in JFS because I want all you guys to know what most parents really feel, but, find it hard to say, and just to re-emphasise good job for we the parents are proud of you, it is imperative you all know that. All the best & God Bless.’ (Parent of a Yr 11 student)*

Yours sincerely,



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Headteacher