

THE JOHN FISHER SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the roundup of another extraordinary week, when what we really crave is ordinary.

The week started with a celebration of having our students back in school, which came to a disappointing end for our Year 8 cohort. I wanted to take this opportunity to reassure you that our Year 8 student who tested positive for Covid-19 is in a stable condition.

You are politely requested not to discuss matters of a confidential nature on 'WhatsApp' groups.

We are continually reviewing our risk assessment in school and there will be a number of new controls from Monday 14th September.

Face Coverings: Students are now permitted to wear face coverings in lessons as well as in communal areas and in corridors. In the Sixth Form lessons where there are both Year 12 and Year 13 students, face coverings must be worn.

Sixth Form: Sixth Form will no longer be treated as one bubble. There will now be one Year 12 bubble and one Year13 bubble. Year 12 students are no longer permitted to access the Sixth Form centre.

Entrance/Exit Gates: Please see the updated version of the entry times and entrance/exit gates below.

	SCHOOL DAY			
Year Group	Gate Opening Times	Start Time	Gate	Finish Time
7	8:15 – 8:40am	8:45am	Back Gate – Great Woodcote Park Rd	3:15pm
8	8:15 – 8:40am	8:45am	Back Gate – Great Woodcote Park Rd	3:25pm
9	8:15 – 8:40am	8:45am	Gate 2 - Peaks Hill	3:15pm
10	8:15 – 8:40am	8:45am	Gate 2 - Peaks Hill	3:15pm
11	8:15 – 8:40am	8:45am	Chapel Gate – Peaks Hill	3:25pm
12	8:45 – 9:00am	9:05am (or first lesson)	Gate 1 – Peaks Hill	After final lesson
13	8:15 – 8:40am	8:45am	Gate 1 – Peaks Hill	After final lesson

We were delighted to have such high student attendance today after informing you of our positive Covid-19 test result. The percentage attendance today for each of the year groups was as follows:

Year 7	96%			
Year 9	92%			
Year 10	96%			
Year 11	97%			
Year 12	96%			
Year 13	92%			

Year 8: Work will be available on Show My Homework (SMH) on Monday and Tuesday. 'Live' lessons will be available via 'Zoom' from Wednesday 16th September. The links for these lessons will be posted on SMH from Tuesday. We will also be running 'live' Form periods from Monday.

The staff members acted swiftly in the implementation of the school's response plan yesterday. They led on their responsibilities tremendously well and they modelled extreme calmness throughout. I can fully appreciate that these are demanding times for everyone and leading in our roles in schools is much harder when the landscape is changing at such a fast pace in front of us. Your co-operation with everything we are doing is truly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

P E McCullagh Headteacher