



THE JOHN FISHER SCHOOL

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20th November 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

Covid-19 Update: We have had a number of positive coronavirus test results this week resulting in Year 7 not being in school. In an attempt to improve our communication systems further, we have introduced a new alert system starting from tomorrow, Saturday 21st November. Parents/carers are asked to email covidalert@johnfisherschool.org when they have been informed of a **positive test result only**. Positive results being communicated at the weekend or late in the evening can be problematic if the information is not accessed until the morning of a school day. This new email address is not for general Covid-19 related queries or the confirmation of negative results. If any positive results are shared with us out of hours via covidalert@johnfisherschool.org then this will allow the school to action a plan on the same night rather than having to wait until the following morning, when students may have already left home, travelled with other students on public transport etc. This system also gives parents/carers of our other students more time to make alternative arrangements with their employers should we have to ask a group of students to self-isolate. It will also give the staff members who might have been teaching students who are being asked to study at home, more time to plan accordingly.

Virtual Parents Evening: We were really pleased with the success of our first virtual parents evening. There are a few tweaks which we have to make going forward, but on the whole, both the parents/carers and teachers were very satisfied with this model.

Bus Routes: There is a public consultation taking place proposing changes to a number of bus routes serving Sutton and Croydon. In the wake of the current national lockdown, the consultation has been extended by three weeks allowing more time for you to provide your views. To find out more and to have your say, please visit: tfl.gov.uk/sutton-croydon-bus-changes. This consultation will run until Sunday 20th December 2020.

National Youth Sunday: Sunday 22nd November is 'National Youth Sunday'. There are some useful resources for families on the following website: <https://nationalyouthsunday.com/>

Reminders: (i) school closure on Tuesday 24th November for staff training and (ii) please support 'Funding Fisher's Future Christmas Hampers' if you can, to help those families who need it most: <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fundingfishersfuture>. £1,204.78 already raised!

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. McCullagh'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent initial 'P' and a long, sweeping tail.

P E McCullagh
Headteacher