



# Windsor High School and Sixth Form

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Dear Parent/Carer

I would like to provide information and clarity in a number of areas as we move towards the Christmas holidays and looking ahead to schools returning in January. All information is based on current guidance and is of course subject to change, but would seem the correct course of action for all within our community.

We will continue to ask all within school to ensure good hygiene and below is from the DFE:

## Hand hygiene

Frequent and thorough hand cleaning should now be regular practice. You should continue to ensure that students clean their hands regularly. This can be done with soap and water or hand sanitiser.

## Respiratory hygiene

The 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach continues to be very important and a key way to keep us all safe.

## Face coverings

Face coverings are being reviewed at the end of term. However, at this stage the indication is they may still be in place so please ensure your child continues to bring their own mask until we are advised they are no longer needed. They are required in corridors and communal areas indoors but not classrooms. Those who are exempt will be given a lanyard to indicate this.

## Travel and quarantine

Please think carefully about any foreign travel as we are really looking forward to welcoming all of our students in the new year. Please therefore see the advice below and embedded links which may be of use.

All students travelling to England must adhere to [government travel advice](#) and parents should bear in mind the impact on their child's education which may result from any requirement to quarantine or isolate upon return.

Those arriving from a '[red list](#)' country, or have transited through one in the past 10 days, must [quarantine in a government-approved facility](#) with a parent or legal guardian rather than at home.

## Lateral Flow Testing

Students are encouraged to continue to take tests during the holidays and especially the day before or morning on which they return to school.

Students will also be asked to take 1 LFT test on their return in January, between the 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> January depending on which year they are in as explained by the DFE below.

“Testing all pupils in school boosts testing participation and will help reduce transmission after a period of social mixing over the school holidays”

To enable this to happen we will have a staggered return in January and we are asking you to provide consent for your child(ren) to be tested and therefore receive a test slot in school. We are being asked to test in school as the tests are more reliable and therefore offer greater confidence that school will, as always, be a safe place in the new year.

We are asking you to give consent again even if you did so earlier in the year to facilitate the allocation of slots and ensure we have accurate records. Privacy details were sent out with the consent request earlier this week.

For this test we will invite your child in just for the test and they can then return home and school uniform is not required. Work will be on the website in January and can be found by following this link <https://www.windsorhighschool.org.uk/teaching-and-learning/curriculum/remote-learning-january-2022-ks3-4-and-5/>

**We strongly encourage all students to take this in school test for everyone’s safety.**

### **Return times for January**

Please see the below which details when students should return for their first test and then for their first day of school.

<b>Year</b>	<b>Test date</b> (attending only for a 5 minute test slot which will be sent individually)	<b>First day of school</b>
<b>7</b>	Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> January
<b>8</b>	Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> January
<b>9</b>	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> January
<b>10</b>	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> January
<b>11</b>	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January
<b>12</b>	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January
<b>13</b>	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January

### **Thank you**

After a typically industrious term, I wanted to thank all parents, carers and students for all their hard work, patience and faith in all the staff at Windsor High School and Sixth Form as this has been a wonderful term and it has been fantastic to have all our students back with us as usual.

Yours faithfully

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Deputy Headteacher – Student Services