

Our ref: CDC/SHA
July 2021



Dear Parents and Carers

Tuesday, 20 July, sees the end of another extraordinary school year. I am sure you will join me in thanking the staff and students for responding to numerous challenges in such a positive way. I am proud of the way that this community has pulled together to ensure we protect, not only the health of its members, but also their learning and opportunities.

As September approaches, we will be reviewing the Covid safety measures in line with the most up to date government guidance. We will ensure we are pragmatic in our decisions to balance health, learning and pastoral issues. However, we hope that we will return to a greater sense of normality and we are expecting to have a standard school day with all students arriving and departing at the same time.

The first day back in September will be Monday, 6 September - for new Year 7s only.

The first day back for Years 8 - 11 will be Tuesday, 7 September.

Covid-19 Testing on return to school

The Government have required secondary schools to test all students for Covid-19 twice before they return to school or in the first week of term. We are currently planning how we will do this and will communicate further information about this during the holiday. We are likely to ask students to come into school for a test on 31 August or 1, 2, and 3 September before the start of term so that disruption to lessons is minimised when term starts. There may be a need for students in Years 8 - 11 to come into school on Monday, 6 September, for testing, but they will not be required to stay; further information will follow if necessary.

The school day timetable from September, is shown below -

	Year 7		Year 8		Year 9		Year 10		Year 11
P1	8.30 - 9.15	P1	8.30 - 9.15	P1	8.30 - 9.15	P1	8.30 - 9.15	P1	8.30 - 9.15
P2	9.15 - 10.15	P2	9.15 - 10.15	P2	9.15 - 10.15	P2	9.15 - 10.15	P2	9.15 - 10.15
P3a	10.15 - 10.45	Break	10.15 - 10.45	P3	10.15 - 11:15	Break	10.15 - 10.45	P3	10.15 - 11:15
Break	10.45 - 11:15	P3	10.45 - 11.45			Break	10.45 - 11.45		
P3b	11:15 - 11:45					Break	11.15 - 11:45		
P4	11.45 - 12.45	P4	11.45 - 12.45	P4	11.45 - 12.45	P4	11.45 - 12.45	P4	11.45 - 12.45
P5a	12.45 - 13.15	Break	12.45 - 13.15	P5	12.45 - 13.45	Break	12.45 - 13.15	P5	12.45 - 13.45
Break	13.15 - 13.45	P5	13.15 - 14.15			Break	13.15 - 14.15		
P5b	13.45 - 14.15					Break	13.45 - 14:15		
P6	14.15 - 15.15	P6	14.15 - 15.15	P6	14.15 - 15.15	P6	14.15 - 15.15	P6	14.15 - 15.15
								P7	15.15 - 16.00

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We are also expecting the following Covid safety measures to change.

- All students will arrive in full school uniform and be expected to change into PE kit for dance and PE. Changing rooms will be back in use.
- Social distancing will be recommended but not expected
- Self-isolation following a positive test for close contacts will not be determined by the school, but through the national Test and Trace system.
- Group work and discussions can resume in class.

However, the following mitigations will remain

- Regular hand sanitation when entering or leaving a room
- Wiping down tables and chairs before and after use
- One-way system whilst moving around the building
- Dedicated areas for year groups at break and lunch

Every year we get to say goodbye to valued members of our community as they move on to new experiences. Mrs Carrino will be retiring having joined the school as a new teacher in 1985; she has dedicated her teaching career to our community and we wish her all the best. Mr Aysakov, Mrs Girling and Mrs Holmes will be leaving us to pursue other interests and expand their learning.

We wish Miss Ruddock good luck as she will be taking a temporary leave of absence as SENDCO as she starts a family. Mrs Allen will be returning as SENDCO to cover for Miss Ruddock.

Mrs Manhertz has been promoted to Assistant Principal - Lower School Raising Standards Leader from September; she will continue as Head of Year 7 until her replacement is appointed.

Breakfast Club will resume on Tuesday, 7 September for all students who wish to attend.

Head of Year / Pastoral Managers in September

	Head of Year	Pastoral Manager
Year 7	Mrs Manhertz	Mrs Morgan
Year 8	Miss Brunn	Miss Wickiewicz
Year 9	Mr Page	Mrs Spurling (Miss Watchman is getting married during the holiday)
Year 10	Mr Ankin	Mrs Beuchet
Year 11	Mrs Abbott	Mrs Waelend

Dates for the 2021/2022 school year are:

	Term begins	Term ends	Half term	
			From	To
Autumn Term 2021	Monday 06.09.21 (Year 7 only) Tuesday 07.09.21 (Years 8 - 11)	Friday 17.12.21	Monday 25.10.21	Friday 29.10.21
Christmas Holiday: Saturday 18.12.21 to Tuesday, 04.01.22				
Spring Term 2022	Wednesday 05.01.22	Friday 08.04.22	Monday 21.02.22	Friday 25.02.22
Easter Holiday: Saturday 09.04.22 to Monday, 25.04.22				
Summer Term 2022	Tuesday 26.04.22	Wednesday 20.07.22	Monday, 30.05.22	Friday 03.06.22
Bank Holiday Monday 02.05.22				

Construction work at school

The construction of the extension to the school, the Peile Unit, and increasing the size of the car park will begin over the holidays and continue throughout next year.

Activities for students in school over the summer

Finally, below is a list of the summer holiday programme at the school if your child / children would like to take part:

Activity	Who can attend	Dates and times	Contact
Summer School	Students starting Chantry Academy in Year 7 in September	Monday to Friday Week beginning 9 August 9.00am until 3.00pm	0207-117-6047 email info@teachusamps.co.uk
Fun, Fit and Food	Focused on students in Chantry Academy - Years 7, 8 and 9	Tuesday and Wednesdays, 27 July to 18 August – 10.00am to 12.00pm	Catch22/Suffolk Positive Futures M 07717 290545
Boxing exercise	Focused on students in Chantry Academy - Years 7, 8 and 9	Thursdays and Fridays 29 July to 20 August – 11.30am to 12.00pm	Catch22/Suffolk Positive Futures M 07717 290545
One Life Suffolk	Living in postcodes IP1 - IP4 and aged 5 - 16 years	See website for details	Summer Holiday iCard - Ipswich Fit

If you are bringing your child to these activities by car, please take care when dropping them off.

Thank you all for your continued support and commitment to the highly valued community.

Yours faithfully

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