



11 February 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we draw near to the end of the week I wanted to write one final update this term. Most importantly, 'well done'. The demands of remote learning are significant for both staff, students and parents. Your role has been crucial and we are very aware that none of it would be possible without the support you have provided your children.

Currently we have no further news on a return date for students. We know the Government are keen to look at some sort of return to school from Monday 8th March, however we understand more details will be released on Monday 22nd February.

Key worker and Vulnerable students

If you are a key worker or your child is classed as vulnerable please feel free to fill in the form below for a place in school from the week beginning Monday 22nd February.

[Key Worker and Vulnerable provision for w/b Monday 22nd February](#)

There are however two changes, please note the following:

On Monday 22nd February students in school will start at staggered times. This is to allow them to have COVID-19 tests before they start back into lessons. On arrival, students will need to go straight into Wingfield Hall for their test. Students who attend school will need to arrive at the following times:

Year	Arrival time on Monday 22 nd February
Year 7	9:05 am
Year 8,9,10,11,12,13	10:05 am

From Monday 22nd February, all students in school will now finish at 2:45pm. This is in line with their learning and with the finish time for all students at home.

Inset Day – Friday 12th February.

Just a reminder that your child should now have a personal appointment time to meet with their tutor tomorrow.

In addition, we will loading the minibus with a whole range of stationery products to hand out to any student from the school that comes to visit us. If you or your children require resources to support remote learning do feel free to come and see us at one of the locations and times below.

The minibus will be in the following locations at the following times:



Time	Location
9:30am – 9:45am	Court Street Car Park, opposite the back of the Premier Inn
10:00am – 10:15am	Lidl Car Park
10:30am – 10:45am	Bottom of Budgens Car Park by The Mead Community Centre
11:00am – 11:15am	B&Q Car Park
11:30am – 11:45pm	Trowbridge Garden Centre

Supporting Wellbeing

I'm delighted to share with you this new animation series of 5 short (50 second) films to support the wellbeing of young people. Aardman, the makers of Wallace & Gromit and Shaun the Sheep, have launched a new mental wellbeing campaign aimed at young people.

The campaign was led by Professor of Health Humanities Paul Crawford at the University of Nottingham, with support from mental health expert Dr Dominique Thompson who spoke at our webinar last week.

Website: www.whatsupwitheveryone.com

Facebook: [/WhatsUpWithEveryone](https://www.facebook.com/WhatsUpWithEveryone)

Instagram: [@WhatsUpWithEveryone](https://www.instagram.com/WhatsUpWithEveryone)

Twitter: [@ WhatsUpWith](https://twitter.com/WhatsUpWith)

TikTok: [@WhatsUpWithEvery1](https://www.tiktok.com/@WhatsUpWithEvery1)

Families urged to keep following the rules and stay safe this half term

Wiltshire Council is urging parents, children and young people to continue to follow social distancing guidance during the half term holidays.

Kate Blackburn, Director of Public Health for Wiltshire, said: 'The rate of COVID-19 cases reported in Wiltshire has fallen over the last seven days and this is largely due to the fact that local people have played their part and followed the lockdown rules. Next week is the school half term holiday and its important children and young people continue to follow [social distancing guidance](#).'

Finally, I hope you are all able to have a relaxing break over half term. Time away from screens and fresh air is going to be important. That said, I know my wife has a long list of decorating jobs lined up for me!

Keep safe and well everyone!

Paul Skipp
Headteacher