



Tuesday 13 July

Dear Parents and Carers,

End of year and looking forward to the new academic year

As we come towards the end of this school year, we inevitably reflect on the challenges we have overcome in the face of continued disruption from the pandemic and the associated school closure and periods of isolation for many students. I would like to thank you for your continued patience and support of the school, our school and home learning programme.

We are incredibly proud of how our whole school community has coped with the disruption from Covid and feel that our working relationships with families have been strengthened through our shared experiences. Special mention must go to our students in year eleven and thirteen and their teachers and support staff, who worked tirelessly to prepare for their CAGs. We wish them luck in their next steps and look forward to the majority of our year eleven students joining the sixth form.

New Academic Year 2021-2022

Wednesday, 1 September: Staff training day

Thursday, 2 September: Year 7 and 12 students only, 8:50am

Friday, 3 September: All students, 8.50am

With the publication of government guidance for the Autumn term and the move to step 4, we are optimistic that we will see a return to normality with minimal disruption. One of the key changes is that students will no longer be required to remain in year group or classroom bubbles. Face coverings will also no longer be recommended, although schools may choose to recommend them dependent on local circumstances, and social distancing will no longer be necessary.

We have been advised by the Department for Education that on our return to school in September, we are to test those for whom we have consent on the first day back in school and then again, the week after. Twice weekly asymptomatic home testing is expected to continue until the end of September, at which point it will be reviewed. For further information on what step 4 means for schools, please follow this link: Parents, pupils, teachers and students. Find out what step 4 of the covid roadmap means for you. - The Education Hub (blog.gov.uk)

If you would like to consent to testing on site and have not yet done so, please fill in the form on this link: https://forms.gle/955tEAgLjhcTwm6W7

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The final day of term this year is Friday 16 July, when students will finish at 12:35pm. Students will have a forty-five minute brunch break from 11:30am, and can purchase food from the canteen, should they wish to. The buses will run as normal in the morning and in the afternoon, there will be a reduced service. Students will be able to travel home on the 723, 725, 737 and 741 buses. The 741 will make an additional stop at Old Roan and the 725 will be extended to Moorfields in Kirkby to cover the area normally served by the 739. Buses will depart at 12:45pm and the cost will be one pound per journey for those without a bus pass or day ticket.

We are required to carry out 'Track and Trace' for the first six days of the summer holiday, until Thursday 22 July. If your child tests positive for Covid-19 during that time, please advise us using the following protocol:

REPORTING A POSITIVE COVID-19 TEST:

If your child has a positive Covid-19 test result, please email the following details immediately to: covid@maghullhigh.com

- Name of child
- Tutor group
- Date of the LFD test and confirmatory PCR test
- Does the child have symptoms? Yes or no
- What date did the symptoms start?
- What date did the child last attend school?
- Who they have sat next to during lessons, break and lunchtime during the two days before testing positive or when symptoms started (if in school)
- Please identify any social/friendship groups that your child has been in close contact with, for example, on their journey to and from school or during their weekend activities

If there are any changes to DfE guidance over the summer, we will update you via RSConnectEd, our website and social media. If you do not already follow our social media accounts, you can find us on Twitter @MaghullHighsch, on Instagram maghull high school and Maghull High School on Facebook.

Finally, can I take this opportunity once again to thank you for your continued support and wish you all a very restful summer holiday.

Yours sincerely,

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