

5th March 2021



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Dear Parent/Carer(s)

We are really looking forward to welcoming all of our students back next week. I have attached a list of FAQs that may be useful for you to talk through with your child before they come back into school. I have also provided some further important details for you to read below.

Consent for COVID-19 testing

Please make sure that you have completed the consent form for COVID-19 testing, and indicated whether you are happy for your child to be tested or not. **If you have not completed** the consent form, please click [here](#). **Remember**, if you have more than one child who attends the school, you will need to complete separate forms, and if your child has been/is a part of the **Key Worker School** and you have already provided consent for testing, you do not need to complete a form.

All students should report to the TISA at the start of their first day back - we will then take pupils to their classes from the TISA. We will make every effort to ensure that students do not know who/who has not provided consent for testing.

If your child is absent on the day they are due to return to school, please phone the school on 01326 372379 and inform us so that we can make arrangements for testing upon their return, if you have provided consent.

Reminder of timetable for return to school

A reminder of the plan for next week is below. If you have any concerns about the testing, please contact tschouten@penryn-college.cornwall.sch.uk

Day	Year group return	Time	Which students?
Monday 8 March	11	Between 8.25-8.40am	All students who have arrived by bus
		9.15am	Students doing Triple Science
		10.35am	Students doing Trilogy Science
Tuesday 9 March	10	Between 8.25-8.40am	All students who have arrived by bus



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		9.15am	Students who have PE lessons 1/2
		10.35am	Students who have RE lessons 1/2
Wednesday 10 March	7	Between 8.25- 8.40am	All students who have arrived by bus
		9.15am	7L Students who have Art, Geography, Humanities or Music lessons 1/2
		10.35am	7R Students who have English lessons 1/2
Thursday 11 March	8	Between 8.25- 8.40am	All students who have arrived by bus
		9.15am	8R Students who have Science lessons 1/2
		9.45am	8L Students who have Humanities or Languages lessons 1/2
Friday 12 March	9	Between 8.25- 8.40am	All students who have arrived by bus
		9.15am	9R Students who have Maths lessons 1/2
		9.45am	9L Students who have Creative Arts or Geography lessons 1/2

Students will be taken out of their lessons over a period of a fortnight for their second and third tests, as outlined below.

The full schedule for the next two weeks is as follows:

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W/B 8 March	Monday 8 March	Tuesday 9 March	Wednesday 10 March	Thursday 11 March	Friday 12 March
Morning	Year 11 Test 1	Year 10 Test 1	Year 7 Test 1	Year 8 Test 1	Year 9 Test 1
Afternoon				Year 11 Test 2	Year 10 Test 2

W/B 15 March	Monday 15 March	Tuesday 16 March	Wednesday 17 March	Thursday 18 March	Friday 19 March
Morning	Year 7 Test 2	Year 9 Test 2	Year 10 Test 3	Year 8 Test 3	Year 9 Test 3
Afternoon	Year 8 Test 2	Year 11 Test 3		Year 7 Test 3	

Face coverings

We are following Department for Education advice which states that face coverings are required in all indoor areas where social distancing cannot be followed, which now includes classrooms. Our classrooms allow teachers to operate two metres from students at all times, so it may be possible for staff to remove face coverings in order to improve communication with pupils, particularly those with specific needs.

Year 11 GCSE grades

We are currently working on our plan for how we will award grades for GCSEs. We want to make sure that our plan is secure, fair and clear. We will provide details on this in the week beginning 15 March. You can access Mr Harvey's latest Year 11 update video [here](#).

Clubs & Activities programme

We are delighted that some of our in-school extra-curricular PE and Creative Arts clubs will return next week. All students in all year groups will be able to take part in after-school Football, Rugby, Netball or Hockey clubs on the day they return to school: Monday - Year 11; Tuesday - Year 10; Wednesday - Year 7; Thursday - Year 8; Friday - Year 9. **Please ensure that your child brings their full kit into school if they wish to take part.**

Meanwhile, our **Year 7 Music clubs** (Ukulele, Drumming Club, and Year 7 Singers) will take place during tutor time on Thursday; **Year 11 Music clubs** (Senior Singers and Band Jam) will take place during tutor time on Friday; **Music Grade 5 Theory** will take place at lunchtime on Thursday; and **Year 10 and 8 Production Club** will take place after school on Thursday.



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Our full in-school Clubs & Activities programme will resume on Monday 15 March, and pupils will receive the schedule for this next week.

Thank you

Thank you for your support. Once again, the school community faces a number of challenges, and we have every confidence that our students will face these with the attitude, empathy, and effort they have demonstrated over this past year. Hopefully, light is at the end of the tunnel, and this is an important step in working towards that.

Enjoy your weekend and take care.

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