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Dear Parent/Carer

Latest Government Guidance

I hope you have enjoyed a lovely Christmas despite the difficulties we all face at the moment.

Please note that, following yesterday's announcement by the Secretary of State for Education, the attendance expectations set out below now apply:

All students in Years 11 and 13 will now return to school on Monday 11th January.

All other students will now return to school on Monday 18th January.

Any vulnerable children will be asked to return to school on Monday 4th January. We will contact you personally if your child is in this category.

If you are a Key Worker, please feel free to send your child to school as normal on 4th January if you are working. Can you please email office@painsley.staffs.sch.uk by Sunday 3rd January if you are in this position?

School transport will operate as normal from Monday 4th January.

All students must sign into their lessons remotely and punctually on Monday 4th January until they return to school. Staff will be in school fully complying with social distancing rules and will begin lessons on time with a register.

I know that many of you are well versed in the arrangements for remote teaching but, as a reminder, your child has a Google Meets account that is used to access remote teaching. They are invited to the class via a code on SMH. The following rules apply:

- Pupils must wear suitable clothing, as should anyone else in the household.
- Pupils' webcams should normally be switched off.
- Any computers used should be in appropriate areas, for example, preferably not in bedrooms.
- Pupil microphones should be switched off unless a pupil is asked a specific question or unless they are answering their name in the register.
- Senior members of staff will visit the online lessons to provide support for staff and provide further safeguarding reassurances.
- There must be full compliance with all school policies including the Safeguarding Policy when delivering and receiving remote lessons.

If your child will have difficulties accessing the appropriate technology, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Pastoral Leader.



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Lateral Flow Tests

As we have been proactive with testing, all staff will be able to opt in to receive two lateral flow tests during the week commencing 4th January. This will provide further confidence for staff, students and parents. We will then be testing students on a very regular basis when they return. Can I please ask, if you have not yet confirmed your consent for your child (in Years 7 – 11) to receive a test on ParentPay, to please do so by 3rd January? Students in Years 12 and 13 can self-consent.

Please note that the following public examinations will continue as planned in a Covid-secure manner:

Wednesday 6th January

AM- BTEC H&SC Unit 4 controlled assessment
AM - BTEC Sport Unit 3 controlled assessment

Friday 8th January

AM - BTEC Business controlled assessment
PM - BTEC H&SC Unit 1 exam

Monday 11th January

AM - BTEC H&SC Unit 2 exam
AM - Y12/13 L2 Functional skills exam
AM - Y10 Functional skills exam
PM - Y12/13 L2 Functional skills exam
PM - Y10 Functional skills exam
PM - Y11 iMedia exam

Tuesday 12th January

AM - BTEC Business exam

Wednesday 13th January

PM - BTEC IT controlled assessment

Thursday 14th January

AM - BTEC IT controlled assessment
PM - Applied Science exam



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I also respectfully ask you to ensure that all [Tier 4 rules](#) are adhered to over the holidays as this is the best way to reduce the spread of the virus.

Please stay safe!

God bless

Mrs Waugh
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