

HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Over the weekend we received an unprecedented number of positive Covid cases amongst staff. This has meant that we have over quarter of our staff isolating over the next 11 days.

We are making every effort to keep the school open and have had Public Health England in today to help. The measures outlined below have been ratified by them; agreeing that it is the best way for us to proceed.

Our goal will always be to keep the students in school as much as possible and provide you with as much notice as we can, if they have to stay at home.

For the next two weeks we will be rotating students out according to the programme below. Please note that if the situation escalates, this will be subject to change.

| Year Group | Day | Date |
|-----------------|-----------|------------|
| Year 7 & Year 8 | Tuesday | 16/11/2021 |
| Year 9 | Wednesday | 17/11/2021 |
| Year 10 | Thursday | 18/11/2021 |
| Year 11 | Friday | 19/11/2021 |
| Year 7 | Monday | 22/11/2021 |
| Year 8 | Tuesday | 23/11/2021 |
| Year 9 | Wednesday | 24/11/2021 |
| Year 10 | Thursday | 25/11/2021 |
| Year 11 | Friday | 26/11/2021 |

Fortunately we are due to have some staff returning on Wednesday, allowing us to start having only one year group out from that day forward.

Staff will set work for the students to complete, the day before they are off. For example, Year 7 and Year 8 will have work set today for them to complete tomorrow and Year 9 will have work set on Tuesday for them to complete on Wednesday.



We will be contacting transport so they are aware of the situation. If you or your child needs anything further, please do not hesitate to contact us.

In anticipation of your continued support during these difficult times
Yours sincerely

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David Pearce
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