



14th December 2021

Dear Parent/Carer (**Year 9**)

As we approach the end of term, I wanted to write to you to share arrangements for the start of next term.

Tuesday, 4th January 2022 is a Teacher Training Day. As you are aware the government require schools to run lateral flow testing in January and as such the beginning of term will be a staggered start. All students who have previously consented will have one lateral flow test.

Year 9

On **Thursday, 6th January 2022**, all Year 9 students **with consent** for LFT testing come in at the following times. After their test they will go into lessons.

08:30	9M
08:40	9N
08:50	9O
09:10	9P
09:25	9Q
09:35	9R
09:45	9S
09:55	9T

All other Year 9 students come in at 8.45am on Thursday, 6th January 2022.

Following the Prime Minister's briefing last week I would like to remind you of the protective measures in place at West Coventry Academy.

All students, unless exempt, should wear face coverings in communal areas. Please encourage your child to play their part in reducing the risk of transmission in school. Students will continue to be encouraged to exercise good hand hygiene by washing/sanitising their hands regularly. Cleaning throughout the school day remains in place and all rooms are well ventilated.

All students will receive lateral flow test before we break up for Christmas, please support your child in carrying out the tests at home over the Christmas break and most importantly before they return to school.

We have had a very busy first term and I hope you have enjoyed reading our regular Keeping in Touch Newsletter which shares the many events and successes that take place.



Below are some key dates for your diaries:

Dates for your diary		
End of Autumn term	Thursday, 16th December 2021	12.00pm finish – buses will be available at that time
Beginning of Spring term	Wednesday, 5th January 2022	Staggered start – lateral flow testing
TTD	Friday, 18th February 2022	School will be closed to students
Half term	Week beginning Monday, 21st February 2022	
TTD	Monday 28th February 2022	School will be closed to students
Return to school	Tuesday, 1st March 2022	Normal start time
End of Spring Term	Thursday 7th April 2022	
TTD	Friday 8th April 2022	School will be closed to students
Easter break	Week beginning 11 th April 2022	

I would like to thank you for all your support this term. Have a restful Christmas break and I look forward to welcoming our students back in January,

Sincerely

Ana Neofitou
Headteacher