



9<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you have all had a restful summer. Welcome back to all our students, we are very much looking forward to the year ahead and a positive start back this Autumn term.

A reminder that schools are now following Step 4 of the Government's roadmap, which means that the NHS will take over contact tracing for school students. If your child receives a positive test result, you should notify us and then book a confirmatory PCR test within 2 days. This means that we will no longer be required to isolate bubbles of students. Lateral Flow Testing remains important in reducing the transmission of infection in schools and I would encourage your child to take part.

As we welcome our students back I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of some key information to support your child in achieving their very best;

### **West Coventry Academy's 4Rs**

The 4Rs are central to the ethos of West Coventry Academy. They enable us to develop a common language and set of expectations across the school community.

The 4Rs involve being;

**Respectful**  
**Responsible**  
**Resilient**  
**Ready to Learn**

In practice, this means that we expect, students, staff, parents and governors to model these core values.

### **WCA Lesson Structure**

In order to maximise learning in lessons we will be introducing the WCA lesson structure in Years 7-11. Students can expect all lessons to start and finish in the same way with clear routines and expectations from teachers during lessons. Assessments will take place regularly across all subjects. These assessments will be marked by teachers, with feedback provided, teachers will therefore not be marking classwork. The assessment feedback will be invaluable to support students' progress and will have a direct impact on their learning.



## Homework

Please encourage your child to keep up to date with their homework. Homework will be set as follows:

- Years 7-9** English, Maths, Science and Languages **weekly**
- Years 10-11** English, Maths, Science and Languages **weekly**  
Option subjects **fortnightly**
- Years 12 -13** All subjects studied **each lesson**

## School Day

Students should arrive at school by 8.40am, with the first lesson starting at 8.45am. Please ensure that your child is punctual to school. We will continue to operate a staggered end to the school day;

- Year 7** finish at 2.50pm
- Years 8 & 9** finish at 2.55pm.
- All other year groups** finish school at 3pm.

## Uniform

Students should wear full school uniform that is West Coventry Academy compliant. Full details regarding West Coventry Academy's school uniform can be found on the school website. Please expect to be contacted by school if there are any uniform concerns.

## Key dates:

<b>Y6 Open Day</b>	<b>Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> Sept.</b> Students will finish at 12.00pm on Friday, 24 <sup>th</sup> Sept and will need to make their own way home as there are no buses.
<b>Tutor Evenings</b>	<b>Week beginning Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> Sept.</b> Further details to follow.
<b>Teacher Training Day</b>	<b>Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct.</b> – school will be closed to all students
<b>October Half Term</b>	<b>Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> – Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> Oct.</b>

We are looking forward to the year ahead and to working alongside you.

Sincerely

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Headteacher