

Dormers Wells High School

MATHS AND COMPUTING SPECIALIST SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are absolutely delighted to be able to open again to all students and really are looking forward to seeing your child and being a full community again. This letter is to update you on the planned return, and it is important you read it closely.

1. To facilitate testing of all students before their return, there will be a staggered start from 8th March 2021 (week 2). Please carefully note the dates below.

Tuesday 9 th March 2021	Year 11, 12 & 13
Wednesday 10 th March 2021	Year 9 & 10
Thursday 11 th March 2021	Year 8
Friday 12 th March 2021	Year 7

Timings will be exactly the same as last term, with staggered entry to the three different school gates – please [click here](#) for further details.

2. **Vulnerable/Key Worker provision:** Students who currently attend the vulnerable/key worker provision should attend from Monday 8th March. They will join their normal classrooms when their year group begins.
3. **Testing arrangements:** Thank you to all those parents and students who have signed the consent form for testing. We will be messaging all students with their allocated time slots for testing separately but see below for the provisional dates. (Please note students will not be attending school as normal that day just simply coming in for their test.)

When students are attending school for testing, they must enter via the main school gate and register at main reception.

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This will be for their first test. We also plan to offer a further two tests - details of which will be given to students on their return, after which students will be given test kits to regularly



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test themselves at home with full instructions. Please note, only students who have consent to being tested onsite will be able to take tests home.

On the day your child's year group is coming onto site for testing, remote lessons for this particular year group will not be live but will be pre-recorded. Students should join the class team at the start of each lesson, to access the work and submit to their teacher via Teams upon its completion. Students will be able to ask any questions about the work in the 'chat' function on the Team. This is to enable more flexibility for students to complete the work from lessons missed due to their travel to and from school to be tested.

Students must be wearing a mask and their full school uniform, even on the day of their test.

4. **Keeping Safe** – Upon our full return, students need to be fully aware that all the protective measures put in place before Christmas will still apply fully, e.g. year group bubbles; face coverings (see below); staggered break times; one-way systems, regular handwashing/sanitisation, etc.
5. **Face coverings** – The Government have now extended face coverings to all indoor areas including classrooms. I would like to explain more about potential 'exemptions' from wearing masks. The guidance is now much clearer and exemption from wearing a face covering only applies to:

Those who cannot put on, wear, or remove a face covering because of a physical impairment or disability, illness or mental health difficulties or those who speak to or provide help to someone who relies on lip reading, clear sound or facial expression to communicate.

6. **Managing confirmed and suspected Covid cases** - it is really important that if your child displays any covid symptoms they must not attend school. Please let the school know immediately if you child tests positive as the school is required to undertake contact tracing within the school and must inform Public Health England of any confirmed covid cases.
7. **Travel quarantine** - it is really important that if you are, or have recently been, overseas your child completes the required quarantine period and has 2 negative covid tests, 2 days and 8 days after return, before they come back to school. If you are/have recently been overseas please let us know your return date, where you are travelling from, and forward a copy of each covid test result via the MyEd app. A link to the U.K. Gov. website on travel to the UK is attached here <https://www.gov.uk/uk-border-control/before-you-leave-for-the-uk>



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8. **Dormers Wells Leisure Centre Carpark** – please note the Dormers Wells Leisure Centre carpark is being used as a mobile Covid 19 testing centre. The car park is closed to all vehicles. Parents/carers must collect their children on Dormers Wells Lane main road only.

Finally, I want to thank you all for your fantastic support over the last few months – it has been really appreciated to receive so many positive parental messages

Yours faithfully,

Ms R Walsh
Headteacher



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