



Dear Parent or Carer,

I hope you enjoyed a restful Christmas break with your families. I am writing in response to the recent instruction from the government for all secondary schools to delay their reopening until 18th January and adopt remote learning for all year groups from the 4th January.

In line with this directive, only children of key workers and those requiring additional support will return to school on Monday 4th January. All parents of students who meet these criteria have been contacted and we encourage all students to attend school in line with government guidelines.

From week commencing Monday 11th January, Year 11 students will return to onsite learning in line with the staggered reopening directive. All other year groups will return to on-site learning on 18th January at their normal start time.

Remote learning expectations from 4th January

During week commencing 4th January all students will follow their normal timetable online using Google classrooms. Teaching staff will email all students each morning with a link so that they can access their online lessons. Lessons can also be accessed via their Google calendars or via Google Classroom. Lessons will take place as scheduled at their normal time and we expect all students to attend.

We have recently published details of our remote education provision on our school website. This guidance provides clear and transparent information for students and parents or carers about what to expect from our remote education provision. It also provides parents and carers with ways they can support teaching staff and students in ensuring they engage fully in their remote learning.

Return to on site learning

When students do return to school all existing protocols regarding bubbles, entrances and exits and timings of the day will remain the same.

Reminder of timings of the day when students return to school:

- Year 7 - 8:30am - 2.55pm
- Year 8 - 8:40am - 3:05pm
- Year 9 - 8.50am - 3:15pm
- Year 10 - 9:00am - 3:25pm
- Year 11 - 9:10am – 3:35pm

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The two greatest determining factors relating to student wellbeing and attainment are good attendance and outstanding effort. This has never been more important than now and I need to reiterate that it is an expectation that our students:

- attend their virtual lessons and complete all work set to the best of their ability
- attend school if identified as a child of a key worker or a child that requires additional support
- communicate with their teachers regarding their work
- communicate with their teachers immediately regarding any barriers to their remote learning
- continue to conduct themselves in the Clifton way.

Your continued support is much appreciated and the combination: home, school and student here at Clifton will continue to prove to be unbeatable, even in these challenging times.

Please stay safe and all the best for the New Year.

Kind regards

Headteacher

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