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Return to School arrangements – January 2022

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Firstly, a big thank you for your continued support during the Autumn term as we all adjusted to the new guidance and ways of working to keep us all safe and healthy during the ongoing pandemic.

Despite the challenges, it has been a fantastic term in so many ways...over 800 children have received rewards either at our Spooky shack or this week at Santa's Grotto...our Royal Marine Cadet detachment led the Remembrance Service...AND we received our official report from Ofsted to say that WOA is now a Good school in all areas.

Looking ahead to January 2022, the government have instructed all schools to conduct another round of rapid testing for students on their return to school in January. In order to facilitate this we will have a staggered return to school as follows:

Year group	Testing Date	Full return Date
11	Tuesday 4 th January 11.30am – 3pm	Wednesday 5 th January 8.45am
10	Wednesday 5 th January 8.45am - 11.30am	Thursday 6 th January 8.45am
9	Wednesday 5 th January 11.30am – 3pm	Thursday 6 th January 8.45am
8	Thursday 6 th January 8.45am – 11.30am	Friday 7 th January 8.45am
7	Thursday 6 th January 11.30am – 3pm	Friday 7 th January 8.45am
WOA6	Wednesday 5 th January 8.45am - 11.30am	Thursday 6 th January 8.45am

Testing date – all students will be given a time slot to attend our on-site testing facility on their date. Following this they will have an induction session with their tutor and receive new timetables for the term. Those not consenting to test should still attend for their allocated tutor session. Tutor time slots will be text or sent to parents via our gateway app and will be posted on Google Classroom. Times can also be found on the next page. Students will return home following their test and tutor session.

Students should attend their test in full uniform.

Full return date – this is the day your child will return to school. The school day will run from 8.45am – 3.10pm and they should wear full uniform. Session 6 for Y11 will resume on Monday 10th January.

If you have any questions or concerns recording testing, please do not hesitate to contact Jo Willetts (joanne.willetts@woacademy.co.uk) and we will do all we can to support you.

At the start of the Spring term the following will continue in place, in line with current guidance:











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- We will be keeping our enhanced cleaning regime so all communal areas and touch points will be cleaned regularly throughout the day
- We will encourage all staff, students and visitors to follow 'catch it, bin it, kill it' and will provide hand sanitizer, tissues and cleansing wipes in all areas of the academy
- We will ensure all spaces have ventilation and use the ventilation as much as possible; while keeping spaces comfortable
- Separate social areas for each year group
- Face coverings to be worn in all communal areas.

Should the guidance change in the new year, we will of course update you as soon as possible.

As has been the case throughout the pandemic, ensuring the health and safety of our students and staff is our top priority. As such, we will be continuing to encourage good hygiene including regular handwashing, maintaining appropriate cleaning regimes and keeping occupied spaces well ventilated.

In the meantime, we would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a very safe and enjoyable Christmas break. We look forward to seeing all of you in the new year. Please remember If you need us or any additional support before our return to school please contact us via Facebook or email.

Please do continue to take care and stay safe.

Yours Sincerely

Leigh Moore Principal Myk Wagstaff Vice Principal











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Year 11 Tuesday 4th January

Test Time		Tutor Groups	Tutor Session Start (non-consenters)	Exit time
11.30a	am	MFI LDA	12.30pm	1.30pm
12noc	on	LRE JHI	1.00pm	2.00pm
12.30	pm	RWI NAS	1.30pm	2.30pm
1.00pi	m	SWI JPA LKE JJO	2.00pm	3.00pm

Year 10 and WOA6 Wednesday 5th January

Test Time	Tutor Groups	Entry time for non- consenters	Exit time (returning home after induction)
8.45am	JAD KCH	9.45am	10.45am
9.15am	JMI JLA	10.15am	11.15am
9.45am	CDE TLA	10.45am	11.45am
10.15am	AAT HPA	11.15am	12.15pm
10.45am	WOA6 and JWE	11.45am	12.45pm

Year 9 Wednesday 5th January

Test Time	Tutor Groups	Entry time for non- consenters	Exit time
11.30am	MWL MJO	12.30pm	1.30pm
12noon	SFR ARD	1.00pm	2.00pm
12.30pm	CMA FLE	1.30pm	2.30pm
1.00pm	HRO STU LKE	2.00pm	3.00pm











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Year 8 – Thursday 6th January

Test Time	Tutor Groups	Entry time for non- consenters	Exit time (returning home after induction)
8.45am	NMA JPL	9.45am	10.45am
9.15am	HRB LHE	10.15am	11.15am
9.45am	SAK RTO	10.45am	11.45am
10.15am	RPH SKH HAT	11.15am	12.15pm

Year 7 – Thursday 6th January

Test Time	Tutor Groups	Entry time for non- consenters	Exit time
11.30am	KGO HPT	12.30pm	1.30pm
12noon	GCH PSI	1.00pm	2.00pm
12.30pm	RSA BMC	1.30pm	2.30pm
2.00pm	ARO CBN ZWA	2.00pm	3.00pm







