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Dear Parent/Carers,

As you know, we are planning to welcome back all pupils to SWCHS during the week commencing 8th March 2021. This is hugely exciting for us and no doubt for you too after a few months of managing virtual learning at home with all the considerations this brings!

This letter is one of two that I will be sending you over the coming days to outline our plans to facilitate the return of pupils to SWCHS in the most seamless and safe way possible. This letter will outline our plans for the initial mass testing of pupils in line with government guidance and my second letter to you later this week will outline expectations of pupils including uniform, support structures, and general pastoral information. I am aware that some parents have had issues securing uniform or growth spurts have resulted in ill-fitting uniform, please be re-assured, I will cover this in more detail in my letter later on this week.

The table below outlines our plans to test each year group once before they return to school fully the following day. Please note the day of your child's first test, along with their first full day back at school.

Year group	Test 1 (Date & Time)	Full return post Test 1
7S	Wednesday 10th March 3:45pm - 5:15pm	Friday 12th March
7W	Thursday 11th March 3:45pm - 5:15pm	Friday 12th March
8	Wednesday 10th March 12:30pm - 3:30pm	Thursday 11th March
9	Wednesday 10th March 9am - 12pm	Thursday 11th March
10	Tuesday 9th March 12:30pm - 3:30pm	Wednesday 10th March
11	Monday 8th March 12:30pm - 3:30pm	Tuesday 9th March

Using Year 11 as an example, they will be tested on Monday 8th March 2021, receive their results the same day and then will be able to return to school fully the following day, Tuesday 9th March 2021. As you will appreciate, testing upwards of 2000 pupils is no small undertaking, therefore, we have split the testing programme into 15-minute slots.

The schedule overleaf indicates your child's 15-minute form slot on their allocated testing day. Please can you ensure that they arrive at SWCHS via the lower gate promptly at the beginning of their slot. They do not have to be in school uniform and will only be on-site for approximately 20 minutes. Social distancing measures will be in place at all times during the first test and face coverings will need to be worn at all times unless your child is exempt. We

have planned testing in such a way that your child will not enter the building at any point except for the approximate 5 minutes it takes to undertake the test.

Your child will be asked to register their test once they get home using the information outlined on their testing receipt card. They will then be sent their results the same day. It is vitally important that your child registers their information the same day as their test so that they can receive their results prior to their first full day in school.

If you foresee any reason why your child is unable to attend their allocated day or time slot, please contact your child's YAC.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Matt Blayney". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'M' and 'B'.

Matt Blayney
Deputy Headteacher

Scroll down for the testing schedule.

Testing schedule for Form Groups

Monday 8th March

Year group	12:30pm	12:45pm	1pm	1:15pm	1:30pm	1:45pm	2pm	2:15pm	2:30pm	2:45pm	3pm	3:15pm
11	11CRG	11JWS	11AJM	11EHR	11SXL	BREAK		11NAC	11LXH	11JSD	11JXD	11GRM

Tuesday 9th March

Year group	12:30pm	12:45pm	1pm	1:15pm	1:30pm	1:45pm	2pm	2:15pm	2:30pm	2:45pm	3pm	3:15pm
10	10AJB	10MRL	10JES	10MCB	10WRS	BREAK		10CXH	10DAC	10SWM	10JEH	10SC

Wednesday 10th March

Year group	9am	9:15am	9:30am	9:45am	10am	10:15am	10:30am	10:45am	11am	11:15am	11:30am	11:45am
9	9AFT	9JRI	9TAC	9SVW	9JDI	BREAK		9SCM	9KEC	9AJG	9KPC	9EAC
Year group	12:30pm	12:45pm	1pm	1:15pm	1:30pm	1:45pm	2pm	2:15pm	2:30pm	2:45pm	3pm	3:15pm
8	8JWB	8PJG	8SBH	8NSW	8STT	BREAK		8ACH	8CL	8KMM	8ALW	8CJH
Year group	3:45pm	4pm	4:15pm	4:30pm	4:45pm							
7S	7KK	7EXC	7LD	7JVS	7CJ							

Thursday 11th March

Year group	3:45pm	4pm	4:15pm	4:30pm	4:45pm
7W	7PZL	7MTH	7SL	7LAA	7CWS