

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to start by saying thank you to you and your child for your continued support and understanding as we navigate through the latest easing's of the COVID restrictions. With this in mind I would like to draw your attention to a few changes that we will be implementing as we head into the last half of the summer term.

<u>Masks</u>

From Monday 7th June, students and staff will continue to wear masks when in communal areas, such as the dining hall, and when in corridors between lessons. Masks are no longer required for learning in classrooms, outside areas or when students arrive on campus, however if your child wishes to continue wearing one, they may. Please can I ask that if your child is exempt from wearing a mask that they continue to wear the required lanyard, so that staff do not challenge them, given their responsibility for safety on site.

Timings of the Day

We will be introducing an amended timetable, which will bring back a common school break and lunch time. The dining hall will be open to all students, offering sandwiches, paninis and hot main meals as well as fruit pots and ice creams. A reminder that the dining hall is cashless and payments are by fobs only.

Tutor Period	8.45-9.10		
Period 1	9.15-10.10		
Period 2	10.15-11.10		
Break (25m)	11.10-11.35		
Period 3	11.40 - 12.35		
Period 4	12.40 - 1.35		
Lunch (35m)	1.35-2.10	1.35-2.10	
Period 5	KS3 2.15-3.10	KS4/5 2.15-3.15	

The table provides an overview of the school day. As you will see we have kept the staggered finish to help ease the flow of students leaving at the end of the day.

The field will be open to all students but we will continue to keep the lower courts for Year 7s only. In the event that we have wet break or lunch, students will be asked to go to their tutor rooms unless their tutor base is in Technology, Science, or Computer Science, where they will be required to go to the Main Hall.

<u>PE Kit</u>

Students will continue to wear their PE kit on the days that they have PE. Please ensure that no other hoody or sweatshirt is worn, other than the St Edward's PE uniform. The hoody is not allowed to be worn over normal school uniform in place of the blazer.

<u>Homework</u>

Just as an additional reminder to parents, students in KS3 should be receiving 1 piece of homework per subject per week. This homework should last around 45 minutes, but can be supplemented with revision of previous learning. We have noticed there has been an increase in the number of homework detentions set for incomplete homework, so if we can please ask for your support on this matter, and if there are issues please liaise with your child's tutor or subject teacher.

As ever, we will continue to respond to any concerns that you may have as we move towards the next phase of the road map, and will remain vigilant if and when the local COVID picture changes. We wish you a happy half term break.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. M Wood Director of Learning for Years 8 & 9 27th May 2021