

THE ECCLESBOURNE SCHOOL

'Learning Together For The Future'



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Wider opening of School: Year 10 and 12 Students: Monday 15 June

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for letting us know whether your child will be attending our sessions for Year 10 and 12. We are writing to you today with practical information to help us operate efficiently and safely from Monday.

The following groups will be in school next week:

Monday 15 June: 10C, 10W, 12P, 12B

Tuesday 16 June: 10B, 10J, 12G, 12H

Wednesday 17 June: 10M, 10N, 12N

Thursday 18 June: 10R, 10S, 12C, 12J

Friday 19 June: 10A, 10L, 10E, 12S

Our first week will be focused on pastoral guidance and study support. Each Year 10 and 12 form will have a morning session during week one. We will provide students with orientation and health and safety training and a one to one guidance meeting with tutors. Students will be supported to identify any problem areas in their remote learning.

Students should arrive at school ready for a 9.30 start and 12.00 finish. Where possible, students should make their own way to school avoiding public transport. The normal school bus service is not in operation. Parents dropping or picking up students at school by car will be able to drive into the car park where a designated and supervised parent 'drop off' zone is marked out between reception and the car park exit. We ask that parents do not leave their cars or stay to talk to other parents.

It is important that students do not gather in groups on the way to and from school but instead make their way directly. Local businesses in the neighbourhood of the school are out of bounds. They are trying hard to manage safe social distancing for their customers and we do not wish to add to their difficulties.

Students will not be required to wear their school uniform but should dress comfortably and appropriately for the weather and school setting. They will need to bring a refillable water bottle and their usual pencil case equipment.

As we prepare to return and open the school to more students, it is important that student behaviour and compliance with health and safety rules is excellent. Our behaviour and discipline policy sets out our expected standards. All students returning to school will have a health and safety induction and our procedures for operating safely will be clearly explained. Failure to abide by the rules and guidance on safety and social distancing will be considered a serious breach of the behaviour policy.

Students, parents, carers or visitors, must not come to school if they are displaying any symptoms of coronavirus. Details of the procedures to follow can be found here: <u>COVID-19</u>: <u>guidance for households with possible coronavirus (COVID-19) infection</u>). If a student at school presents with symptoms, then they will be looked after in isolation and parents and carers contacted to collect them.

The school remains open for vulnerable pupils and the children of critical workers. If your child is clinically extremely vulnerable, or living with someone who is in this group, they should not come back to school and should continue home learning. If your child is clinically vulnerable (but not clinically extremely vulnerable), you should follow medical advice to decide if they should come back to school. Please refer to government guidance for further details of these groups.

From 22 June, Year 10 and 12 will begin academic sessions in school. Student timetables, setting out which days they will be in school, will be sent out by email to parents and carers on a two-weekly basis from next week. Please get in touch if we can help in any way or if you have any questions rnicoll@ecclesbourne.derbyshire.sch.uk.

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Yours sincerely

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