

# SACRED HEART

## CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL



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18<sup>th</sup> December 2020

### Update on Returning to School from 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

You will no doubt have seen yesterday's media coverage of the Government's latest announcement on the penultimate day of term. We will have a 'staggered start' for secondary students returning to school in January 2021 to allow schools to set up their very own in-house Covid 19 Testing Station.

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021 will now be an extra INSET day and school will be closed to all students.**

On Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January, as directed by the Government, only students in Year 11 and 13, vulnerable children and the children of key workers will attend school in person.

All other students, those in Years 7-10 and 12 will access our remote learning offer via Sharepoint from home, during the first week of term. Face-to-face education for these Year Groups, 7-10 and 12, will start again on 11 January 2021.

If you are a Key worker and sent your daughter into school between March and July 2020 you are already registered with us as having Key Worker status. If you are a new parent or have changed role and you need your daughter to attend school from Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January, please send an email to [enquiries@shhs.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@shhs.org.uk) with 'Key Worker' in the subject heading, stating how many days you require your daughter to attend school that week and providing proof of your Key Worker status. This could simply be a photograph of your lanyard or a photograph of a document that shows where you work attached to the email.

Vocational exams scheduled for the week of 4th January will go ahead as planned.

All students, whether they are in school or working at home, will be accessing the same lessons in Sharepoint. Students who are learning from home are expected to follow their timetable from Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> to Friday 8th January. Teaching staff will communicate with their classes at home via Microsoft Teams. Students should check their email every morning at 8.45am. Sharepoint is set up in Year Group folders and can be accessed via the school website

If you have any concerns or queries please do not telephone school, please contact us via the email helpdesk [enquiries@shhs.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@shhs.org.uk) so your query can be directed quickly and efficiently to the most appropriate member of staff.

Thank you for your understanding of yet another challenging issue that school is facing.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs S Howell  
Headteacher



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