

# MIDDLEWICH HIGH SCHOOL

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2<sup>nd</sup> March 2021

Dear Parents/ Carers

Re: Return to school on the 8th March with the highest expectations of Safety and Respect

It is with genuine excitement that we look forward to welcoming all of our students back on the 8<sup>th</sup> March.

The first hour of the day will be with tutors for our **safe induction** back into school:

- Students will be reminded about our very strict safety guidelines in place at Middlewich, which have resulted in an excellent, <u>very low</u> record of COVID transmission.
- Students will be asked about their wellbeing and offered further advice to support keeping ourselves healthy.

**Attendance and punctuality** will remain a key priority for all of our students and our reward scheme will run again, recognising Excellence in Attendance. Vouchers will be offered in our attendance draw at the end of this half term.

# Break time week of 8th March

We will be providing free toast for Years 7 and 8 in their form rooms on alternating days next week to facilitate the use of our sports hall for testing.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 7 form	Year 8 form	Year 7 form	Year 8 form	Year 7 form
rooms	rooms	rooms	rooms	rooms

#### **Lunch times**

We have reviewed our lunchtime arrangements: Year 7, 8 and 9 will now all be on the first sitting 1.00pm-1.30pm. Year bubbles will be maintained at all times.

1.30pm – 2.00pm Year 11 will access the canteen, with Year 10 using the Pod.

Please check your online account for lunch credit (no cash is being used in school)

#### Masks

It is the responsibility at home to ensure that your child packs at least 2 masks (black or blue) as part of their daily equipment. We will contact home should this not be managed.











## **Uniform standards**

We are always very clear about our highest expectation for students to comply with every requirement of our school uniform policy. As young people progress into the world of employment it is essential they learn that there will always be standards expected of them, including dress codes. I need to ask for every parent/carer to support uniform compliance please:

- Hair colour is to be of a natural colour
- One stud piercing is permitted in the ear lobe only
- Nails should be natural and no dangerous acrylic nails
- School shoes are black leather-type shoes nothing that resembles a trainer (Please check the school website before you renew the school shoes)
  - Please contact school for any support we appreciate shops have been closed and only online purchases have been possible
- All school equipment needed for successful learning
  - o pens, pencils
  - o Ruler
  - White board and pen (we can resupply the pens)

### **PE lessons**

Students should attend in their PE kits on days timetabled for PE.

- Blazers are not required but students should consider bringing an outdoor coat.
  - Any items normally carried in blazers need to be in bags/ coats
- Blue or black tracksuit pants are acceptable

### Home testing kits

Home testing kits for use with students will be distributed within the week of 8th of March 2021 for use from 15<sup>th</sup> March 2021 (letter to follow).

I do hope this information is useful to allow you to prepare for a safe and successful return to school on 8<sup>th</sup> March. We are absolutely confident the healthiest place for our students is in school learning alongside their friends. If you have any questions relating to the return to school please do contact us on the admin@middlewichhigh.cheshire.sch.uk email.

We are aware that our students have worked very hard during lockdown and are looking forward to working with happy, focused learners – we have missed you!

## Together, we've got this

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Kind regards

Mr M Edwards Deputy Head teacher









