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Dear parent / carer

This is just a quick update with a few reminders about the return to school from next Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March. As previously shared with you the return will be staggered as below to allow for the testing of the pupils before they return and a huge thank you once again to the 650 pupils who have agreed to participate in this.

Pupils will return to school on the following days:

Day	Year Groups in school
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	11
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	11, 10
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	11, 10, 9
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	11, 10, 9, 8
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	11, 10, 9, 8, 7

The pupils will follow their previous timetables and will still have staggered breaks (there will be no breaktime service from Monday 8<sup>th</sup>) and lunchtimes:

KS3 break 10.10am	(Zoom lesson 2 will start at 10.30am)
KS4 break 11.10am	(Zoom lesson 2 will start at 10.10am)
KS3 lunch 12.30pm	(Zoom lesson 4 will start at 1.15pm)
KS4 lunch 1.30pm	(Zoom lesson 4 will start at 12.30pm)

This is the same as before the Christmas holidays but the timings of Zoom during the phased return will change slightly. If unsure pupils can refer to Satchel:One for information from their teachers.

Testing before return to school will take place on the following days:

Date	Year Group	
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 11	
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 10	
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 9	
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 8	
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 7	

You will receive a text with an allocated time slot between 9.10am and 10.10am for Thursday and Friday this week. The texts for Monday and next week will be sent once we have seen how Thursday and Friday have gone and if we need to make any adjustments to timings.

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- Parents to park in the school carpark the side nearest the primary school.
- Please arrive 5 minutes before the time slot allocated via the text message you receive.
- At the beginning of the time slot allocated, pupils should line up at the side of the sports hall nearest the primary school. Please stand on the socially distanced markers provided on the floor and await further instructions. Please ensure pupils are wearing a face mask.
- Once dismissed from the testing centre, pupils should return immediately to cars and vacate the site to allow parking for the next group.
- Please do not bring pupils for a test if they are displaying any COVID-19 symptoms.

We will have 10 testing bays operating between the 4<sup>th</sup> and the 19<sup>th</sup> March to enable each pupil to test themselves on 3 occasions before issuing the home testing kits. These are due to arrive in school and when they do, we will send out more information about how we are going to manage distributing these.

To facilitate testing on the day your child's year group is being brought in for testing no work will be set on Satchel:One for lessons 1 and 2 on that day. This is to enable us to have enough staff available to be in the testing centre. For example, on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March no remote learning will be set for lessons 1 and 2 for Year 11 and similar for the other year groups on their day. I hope that this short phase passes quickly and we are able to return to a bit or normality once home testing has started.

We will have an assembly for Year 11 pupils on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 1.50pm; please ask the pupils to ensure that they attend this using the link on Satchel:One. We will talk to them about their return to school and hope to put their minds at rest as we will go through some of the detail regarding how their Centre Assessed Grades will be determined this year. As I have said previously, returning with a positive mindset, doing their best and leaving the worrying to us about everything else is all that is needed from them.

From my previous letter:

'We have been reminded to focus on 'Hands, face, space', ventilating the classrooms, retaining our enhanced cleaning and retaining the class and year group bubbles. The previous guidance in our Covid-19 Risk Assessment still applies. Pupils will follow their previous timetable and we will still be having split break and lunchtimes with year group zones to reduce mixing. The main change is that up until the Easter break (and possibly longer) face coverings must be worn by everyone who does not have an exemption in the classroom and moving around the school site.'

Please do read through the PE letter alongside this one to clarify when PE kit is needed and a reminder that our usual uniform, make up and jewellery rules will apply.

We are very much looking forward to seeing everyone back with us next week and if, over the next week, we can help in any way at all or if you or your son/daughter are feeling anxious about the return to school, please do get in touch either by phone or using the pastoral@corbetschool.net email.

With very best wishes to you and your families,

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