

6th December 2021

Dear Parents/Carers



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End of Term – December 2021

I am writing to inform you about the arrangements for the end and start of term. **School will close for pupils on Friday 17th December at 12.30pm**

If your child is entitled to free school meals and wishes to collect a packed lunch on Friday 17th December, please email postbox@etonecollege.co.uk by no later than 12 noon on Tuesday 14th December.

On Friday 17th December, pupils will be allowed to wear a Christmas jumper over their shirt and tie for a donation to the Save the Children Charity. Pupils who choose to wear a Christmas jumper should bring a £1 donation to school on that day. **If your child is wearing a Christmas jumper, they will not be required to wear their blazer on this day, however, all other uniform expectations will apply, e.g. school trousers/skirt and school shoes. If your child is not wearing a Christmas jumper, FULL school uniform will be required.**

Start of Term – January 2022

In line with Government guidance, pupils should continue to test for COVID-19 twice weekly over the Christmas break. **We are also required to test pupils for COVID-19 when they return to school in January and will therefore be having a staggered return to school as follows:-**

Tuesday 4th January 2022	Teacher Training Day School closed to ALL pupils
Wednesday 5th January 2022*	COVID testing (see timings overleaf) Pupils to be tested and then return home
Thursday 6th January 2022*	COVID testing (see timings overleaf) Pupils to be tested and then return home
*Pupils will be provided with work, prior to the end of term, for completion on Wednesday 5th and Thursday 6th January and a copy will be provided on Microsoft Teams.	

Friday 7th January 2022 Expectations assemblies taking place along with uniform & equipment checks	Staggered return as follows:		
	8.45am	Year 11	Main Hall
	9.30am	Year 7	Main Hall
	10.15am	Year 9	Main Hall
	11.00am	Year 8	Main Hall
	11.45am	Year 10	Main Hall
	As per timetable	Yr 12 & 13	Sixth Form

Year 12 exams will run as scheduled once testing has been conducted.



Pupils should arrive for COVID-19 testing at the dates and times listed below. **They do not need to attend in school uniform and will return home to complete work set as soon as their test result is received.**

Parents/carers will only be notified of their child's COVID result if they test positive and a PCR test will then need to be arranged and a negative result received before the child returns to school.

If your child has had COVID-19 within 90 days of their return to school in January, they will not be required to be tested. Should your child have any symptoms of COVID-19, they should also remain at home and a PCR test should be arranged.

Date	Time	Form groups
Wednesday 5 th January	8.45am	7C1, 7D1, 7D2, 7G2
	9.15am	7G1, 7P1, 7P2
	10.30am	9C1, 9C2, 9D1
	11.00am	9D2, 9G1, 9G2, 9P1
	12 noon**	Year 12 and Year 13
Thursday 6 th January	8.45am	8C1, 8C2, 8D1, 8D2
	9.15am	8G1, 8G2, 8P1
	10.30am	10C1, 10C2, 10D1,
	11.00am	10D2, 10G1, 10P1, 10P2
	12 noon	11C1, 11D1, 11G1
	12.30pm	11P1, 11P2

** If you have an exam prior to 12 noon, please arrive for COVID testing at 8.45am

Free School Meals

If you would like to collect a free school meal packed lunch for your child on Wednesday 5th and/or Thursday 6th January, these will be available when your child arrives in school. On the day that your child is not in school for testing, they will be required to come into school to collect it. **Please note that due to the need to order food in advance, if you wish to collect a free school meal packed lunch for your child/ren, you will need to email postbox@etonecollege.co.uk by 12 noon on Thursday 16th December detailing your child's name and the day that lunch is required.**

On behalf of the Governors and staff at Etone College, I wish you a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year. Thank you for your support during 2021.

Yours faithfully



Mr I Smith
Headteacher