

7 April 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

Welcome to the final term of this academic year. It was a pleasure to see students back in school in March ready for the challenge ahead and we cannot wait to get started this term with the exciting developments and greater opportunity to get creative in the classroom.

We are also excited to welcome the students who have selected to attend Outwood Academy City Fields next year (180 students will be in Y7 in 2021). We will be in contact shortly to discuss uniform arrangements and the up and coming events.

As we move into a new term, I wanted to highlight the expectations we have of students when they return:

- Over the next few weeks we will be working with Y10 and Y11 students to collect the evidence needed to support the teacher assessed grades and the centre assessed grades. It is important that students maintain high levels of attendance and attend the enrichment sessions to support this progress.
- Virtual Parents' Evening will take place on the 20 April for Y10 & 11 only. We will be in touch regarding the process shortly, but please save the date. There will be another Virtual Parents Evening later in the year for Y7-9.
- Students should return to school equipped with, pen, pencil, ruler and a calculator. Students will be asked to present these items when they arrive at school on their first day back. Those who do not have the equipment will be issued with a loan set which will need to be returned each day. This is to make sure we are not wasting time handing out equipment and students are ready to learn.
- Students should still bring coats to school to wear when outside **only** as the weather is warmer, students can continue to wear a plain black jumper/school jumper in lessons, we will monitor the weather and will allow students to put coats on when it is unseasonably cold (as we always have done). The heating will remain on until the May half term to support the ventilation guidance.
- Students should be in the correct uniform, guidance is in the school planner and also on the website - <https://www.cityfields.outwood.com/uniform>, the code for Trutex for City Fields is LEA00940SC. If anyone is struggling with purchasing a uniform there is a fund available to support, the [link](#) to the policy is attached.
- As notified on the 6th April 2021, the Government still requires students to wear masks in lessons and areas where social distancing can be maintained as a precautionary measure to help limit the risk of transmission; this will remain in place until further notice (as a minimum until 17th May 2021).

Thank you for your support as ever, keep safe.

Yours faithfully



Michelle Colledge-Smith
Principal

Reminder students who have consented should be testing every 3 to 5 days. Ideally students who have been testing should complete a test before they return to school on the 12 April.



Four easy stages of a rapid COVID-19 self-test

- 1 Set-up:** sanitise testing area and hands, unpack kit, read instructions
- 2 Swab:** throat then nose
- 3 Process test:** place swab in liquid in tube, squeeze liquid onto test device
- 4 Read result:** ensure test device is on a flat surface, wait and read result at 30 minutes