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Dear Parent/Carer

I wanted to thank you all for your support and for your encouraging feedback in the recent survey. It is wonderful to have everyone back in school following lockdown, and while it is not yet fully 'back to normal', we do appreciate your patience.

Following the feedback, I thought it good to address some of your questions here, letting you know of any upcoming changes or providing you with more information regarding decisions made. For ease of reading, I have provided sub-headings, including references to the year groups for whom the information is relevant.

#### **Co-Curricular Programme – All Years**

We have been pleased to introduce some activities at lunchtimes over the past two weeks. From **Monday 21 September** we will be introducing after school sports clubs. Information regarding these can be found in this Bulletin.

From **Monday 21 September**, Homework Club and some Music Peripatetic Lessons (please see the notices from Dr Isom) will also re-start. If you require Homework Club, please complete the MS Form in the Bulletin by **5pm, Thursday 17 September**. This will allow us to gauge the numbers and to prepare an appropriate space for the pupils and year groups attending.

We are continuing to review the non-sports club provision, looking to open these after school clubs from **Monday 28 September**. Information regarding this will feature in next week's Bulletin. Please be aware that, in order to maintain the integrity of bubbles, mixed year group activities are still not an option.

#### **Late Buses – All Years**

Please note that these will not yet be running on account of the requirement to deep clean after each route. Currently there is not sufficient time to complete this between two afternoon journeys.

#### **Class Group Bubbles – Years 7 and 8**

We are exploring moving from class bubbles to year group bubbles in Years 7 and 8. If we decide to move on this in the future, we will be following these approaches:

- Any class changes will take place at the end of a half-term or term to allow units of work to be completed
- Any decision will be made in plenty of time to allow the staff to prepare for any changes
- Movement from class bubbles to year bubbles will lead to 3-4 different subject groupings being created

If we decide to move to year group bubbles from November 2<sup>nd</sup>, pupils and parents will be informed before the half-term break.

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### **Uniform – All Years**

From tomorrow, Thursday 17 September, pupils should wear their blazers to school when asked (i.e. on non-PE/Games days). At this stage, ties are still not required and pupils are still permitted to wear trainers (these remain compulsory for Years 7 and 8).

If pupils do not yet have a blazer, they may continue to wear their Radnor House jumper. We will continue to run this approach (blazer and/or jumper) until the end of the half-term.

### **Access to Class/Learning Resources from Home – All Years**

Pupils have access to all their class materials on MS Teams and OneNote. This is now standard practice and should ensure that any pupils at home, self-isolating, are able to complete the work set in class and for homework.

If a pupil is ill, the focus must be on recuperation, and so the expectation is that the pupil completes the work only when s/he is well enough. Teachers will not be able to simultaneously teach in the classroom and remotely.

### **Lunches – All Years**

Hopefully you will have seen the recent information regarding the lunch provision, ensuring that all pupils are aware of what is on offer each day:

- Meat option
- Vegetarian option
- Vegetables
- Salad
- Baked potato option
- Fruit / pudding

Pupils have been reminded that they should bring their water bottles to the Dining Hall, should they wish to drink whilst eating. We are still not yet able to open up any form of 'tuck shop' at morning break for Years 7-11 as, once again, we need to maintain the integrity of the year groups.

### **Toilets/Washing Facilities – Year 9**

This week we installed outdoor hand-washing facilities for the Year 9 pupils. We are hoping to provide an improved toilet block for the Year 9s in due course.

We will continue to update you as guidance changes.

Kind regards,

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