

16 July 2021

Dear Parent/Carers,

I would like to say thank you for helping us to complete what has been the strangest and most challenging year of all of our lives. Who would've thought as we finished for school last July that this pandemic would completely interrupt and disturb teaching, learning and all our lives for the next 12 months. It is testament to the strength of character of our students and their families that we have managed to come through this. Hopefully the future holds better, more normal times for all of us and we can return to a school that is more representative of where we were before the pandemic struck.

I will update the social media platforms accordingly, if we receive new directives from the Welsh Government over the summer. The intention appears to be a return to a more traditional "Normal" schooling for our young people and we certainly hope this is the case so our new year 7 pupils can start their Flint High School experience as it should be. We are very conscious that our current year 8 and year 9 pupils have not had a traditional school experience to date and we have timetabled lessons next year to address this through our new "Growth" programme. Currently the intention is that masks will no longer be required in the school and we will return to giving individuals a personal choice if they wear a mask or not. Other risk assessment requirements will be assessed nearer to our return.

Mrs. Williams has attached the uniform policy to remind pupils of the uniform and appearance standards of our school. Since our return at Easter it has been challenging for families to ensure all aspects of uniform policy are met. As we pride ourselves in listening to our community needs we have been very tolerant of pupils who have experienced difficulties regarding uniform. From September however the expectation is that all pupils who attend the school will adhere to our uniform policy. I personally feel that uniform sets the standard for school and I will expect absolute adherence to our uniform policy. Also attached is further guidance from our Curriculum Leader for Physical Education detailing the expectations regarding P.E kit.

You will see our first two days back on 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> of September will be training days. Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September will see our new year 7 and our new year 12's only. Online work for years 8, 9, 10, 11 & 13 will be available to access as usual on our itslearning platform.

From Monday 6th September – All students are to arrive by 8.45. Lesson 1 is extended form time for all and then normal lessons run from lesson 2 onwards.

Please continue to check our social media (Twitter), your emails and our school's website for any updates/regulations that will need to be in place for September.

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It has been a rollercoaster of a year, I hope that all our students can all have a well-deserved, restful and happy summer break. As always we thank you for all your support throughout this year, it makes an enormous difference to the young people who attend the school. We look forward to welcoming our students back in September.

Yours sincerely,

Mr J Connelly.  
Headteacher

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