



3<sup>rd</sup> September 2020

Dear Parent / Carer

## Return to School Information

Further to my letter last week, I am writing to provide you with more information regarding the students' return to school next week. South Dartmoor students in Years 7 and 12 and Atrium students return on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September. All students should be in school on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September. Please ensure your child has a face mask and understands that s/he needs to wear it on the bus (if applicable) and when on site and moving around, as per my previous letter. Buses will arrive and depart as usual from the same place.

Students will be greeted at the school gate by staff who will direct students to the correct areas. There is plenty of signage around the site but we will be on hand to support all students. Full details of students' areas can be found in the document shared with you in July. A link to that document can be found [here](#).

Much of the first couple of days will be spent familiarising students with their tutors, classmates and the new routines. Timetables will be issued during this time as well as information on how to access support if needed. It is important that we get this bit right so that the whole community is safe and is secure in what is expected. There will be two lessons each day, to get students back into the routine of learning and familiar with classrooms, many of which have new layouts to maximise safety. From Wednesday, the school day will run as per student timetables, with tutor time from 0845 to 0900 and then followed by five lessons and ending at 1510. Students will be accompanied to and from their bubbles by their teaching staff to help them understand and follow the safety rules.

In order for learning time to be maximised, now perhaps more than ever before, it is important that our high standards are met from the start. Please find attached a letter from Mr Vile detailing information on behaviour for learning, attendance, uniform and required minimum equipment. I would be grateful if you would kindly talk this through with your child before starting next week, so there is clarity of expectation for all.

We are delighted to be returning to school next week and look forward to a happy and successful year. Please be assured that learning and safety remain at the heart of all we do. If you have any queries, please contact your child's Head of Year.

Best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Veal', written in a cursive style.

Mrs J Veal  
Executive Head teacher