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Dear Parent / Carer

As we are fast approaching the end of one of the strangest school years I have known, I write to advise you of some important dates and some changes that we are making for September.

Firstly, I can confirm that on Friday 16th July students will be in school as normal all day.

Year 12 into Year 13 re-enrolment

All current yr 12 into 13 are invited for re-enrolment in the Theatre Bar on the 11th August, between 10:00 and 13:00pm via the Purple Doors. Please arrive in the following surname order:

Surname A-G	10 am till 11 am
Surname H-M	11 am till 12 pm
Surname N-Z	12 pm till 13 pm

I expect all current Year 12 students will attend this interview so that appropriate time is given to make important decisions about your Year 13 options. If for any reason you cannot attend this session, you can also re-enrol on the staff training days (6th /7th of September). Please contact me on hill.k5@sentamuacademy.org if this is the case. Failure to attend re-enrolment could result in you losing your place at ASA 6th Form.

The following information is dependent on National announcements:

School has been asked to run two Lateral Flow tests for each child in school at the start of term. As such this results in a staggered return to school. Pupils will no longer be in bubbles, nor will they need to wear masks.

The entrances for Year 12 and Year 13 students from September will be the Purple Doors on Preston Road at the beginning and end of the day only and Reception at all other times.

The intended plan for the week beginning 6th September is as follows:

Monday 6th

Staff training day. Year 12 students are invited to complete a Lateral Flow test between 12:00 pm and 13:15pm, following which students will go home. Please ensure you have given consent for this as previously requested.

Tuesday 7th September

Full Induction day. Year 12 students at 8:40 via the Purple Doors and attend Assembly in the Theatre at 9:00, followed by tutor sessions. Students leave between 14:50 and 14:55 via the Purple Doors.

Wednesday 8th September

Arrival at 11.00am via the Purple Doors for further tutor time and activities. Students leave between 14:50 and 14:55 via the Purple Doors.

Thursday 9th September

Students come into the Academy for 11.00am via the Purple Doors and attend lessons 3-5 as normal. After lunch, Year 13 students will be invited to complete their second Lateral Flow test. Students leave between 14:50 and 14:55 via the Purple Doors.

Friday 10th September

Normal lessons

From September the pastoral structure is as follows:

Head of Year 12 & 13

Student Liaison Officer

Mrs Hill/ Mrs Gittins

Mrs Dixon/TBC

Attendance and punctuality

Education lays the vital foundation of a child's life. Regular and punctual attendance is both key to academic and social development, which in turn will improve the life chances of children and young people. Lots of people think that missing the odd day here and there can't do too much harm. But even taking a short amount of time out can be a problem. Your child might fall behind in their work and not be able to catch up. If there are gaps in their knowledge they will suffer when school assessments come around.

Did you know:

A child who is absent one day per week misses an equivalent of two years of their school life; 75% of young people with absence rates below 85% fail to achieve five or more good grades at GCE and around one third achieve no GCEs at all. Poor examination results limit young people's options and poor attendance suggests to employers that students are unreliable; Please ask yourself before your child is absent, do they need to miss school?

We follow the national and Local Authority procedures with regard to term time holidays. In this respect, all requests for holiday leave of absence within term time will be refused and classed as unauthorised.

Appointments

We appreciate that on occasion you may have a concern about your child that you wish to discuss with a member of staff. To help you speak to the right person as quickly as possible, we have the following system:

1. Please call the Academy, stating your child's name, their Head of Year or Form Tutor, the nature of your concern, and the phone number you would like us to contact you on.
2. The message will be passed to the relevant person, who will contact you as soon as possible to discuss your concerns.

We do understand that sometimes you may want an urgent message passing on to your child and we will be able to continue to do this for you. Unfortunately, it will not be possible to see you until an appointment has been made.

Lunchtime Arrangements

Year 13 students will have their lunch at 1.20 to 1.50 with years 10, 11 and 13.

I trust you find the above information of use. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support through a difficult year. Better days are ahead. You remain in our prayers.

Yours Sincerely,

Kristina Hill
Head of 6th Form