



# HOE VALLEY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents & Carers

## **New Routines and Parents' Evenings**

It was a pleasure to welcome back all year groups yesterday and to see the whole School back in action. As you know, we are keeping year groups apart as much as possible and because of this, we held a series of assemblies throughout the morning to welcome back students and set out the expectations for the year. Students' behaviour was exemplary and we were delighted that 98.2% of students returned to School. We did have some students who were, unfortunately, having to quarantine in line with government guidance and I would like to thank the parents involved for adhering to guidance in order to keep everyone safe, even though I am sure they wanted their children to attend. We look forward to seeing your children in school soon.

### **New Routines**

As you know, we have put in place new measures and routines to keep your children safe and it would be really helpful if you could continue to discuss and encourage your child to understand these measures at home. Here are a few reminders:

- Walk on the left at all times in corridors
- Be patient and let other people go first
- Wash your hands with soap and water after going to the toilet
- Use hand sanitizer or wash your hands at least 2 or 3 times a day
- Do not share equipment with other students; pens, rubbers etc. (bring your own)
- Go to your designated area at lunch and break time
- Full School uniform including their blazer
- Wear PE kit on days when you have PE as we are not using changing rooms
- Face coverings are optional in corridors and communal areas
- Year 7 enter via Reception
- Year 8 enter via Student Entrance
- Year 9 enter via Delivery Gate into Worton Hall
- Year 10 enter via the Emergency Vehicle Gate into the Art Corridor
- Year 11 enter via the Sports Box
- Speak to a member of staff if you have any questions or concerns

### **Parents Evenings**

Unfortunately we are unable to hold our usual style of Parents' Evenings due to current restrictions, however, we are very aware that our current Year 8 and 10 students have missed out on their Parents' Evening last academic year due to the lockdown and wish to address this situation in the following way. We will run virtual Parents Evenings by appointment through our online booking

system in the usual way, however the meetings will be phone calls rather than face to face. Below is a list of dates for each event and you will receive a letter given to your child by their tutor two weeks in advance of the Parents Evening which explains how to book your appointments via our online booking system.

Year 10 Parents' Evening in lieu of last year	23.09.20
Year 8 Parents' Evening in lieu of last year	21.10.20
Year 8 Preference Evening	25.01.21
Year 8 Parents' Evening	03.02.21
Year 11 Parents' Evening	10.02.21
Year 9 Parents' Evening	24.02.21
Year 7 Parents' Evening	24.03.21
Year 10 Parents' Evening	21.04.21

If you are a parent or carer of a Year 7 student, your child's tutor will be phoning you during the course of the next three weeks to introduce themselves and discuss with you how your child is settling into Hoe Valley School in place of our usual face to face meetings.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the School Office by email to [office@hoevalleyschool.org](mailto:office@hoevalleyschool.org).

Thank you for your ongoing support and we look forward to the day when we can resume our face to face meetings.

Yours faithfully



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Head Teacher



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