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To all of our new Year 13 Pupils,

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Since St Peter's closed to the majority of pupils back in March 2020, I recognise that it will have felt very strange and unsettling and the lessons you may have attended in school since June, felt very different to normal. This letter is to provide you with some specifics details for Year 13 in addition to the letter Mrs Murphy has sent to all parents.

Thank you to all of you who have worked hard to complete work set on the student portal, joined Teams lessons and attended face to face lessons in school. Myself, Mrs Murphy and Mr Clinton have been extremely impressed by the pupils we have met at the gate each day and the conscientious way you have approached your studies. Myself, Mr Carr and Mrs McHale are really confident that this year group have what it takes to be very successful in the examinations scheduled next summer.

When you return in September, school will look slightly different even to now. As you may have seen, there are lots of floor markings, wash stations and different rules. This will be the same in September and all members of the school community will need to wash their hands regularly. There will be some additional rules and systems that we will explain that are designed to make sure all pupils can return safely. We have also introduced a permanent new number room number system to help make finding rooms easier.

One of the changes is that each year group will mainly have their lessons in a particular block. For Year 12 and 13 this will of course be the Sixth Form, Block F but there will be slightly different arrangements for supervised study lessons. Our canteen facilities will also change and the choice of food will be more limited compared to last year. There will be a new system of ordering food and this will be explained in September. Year 13 will also need to use just one dedicated gate, which will be **Gate C**. This is the one nearest to the Sixth Form. Year 13 will then need follow the white route to their rooms. To prepare you for all these changes, we have planned two 'Year 13 Induction Days' on **Thursday 3rd September and Friday 4th September**.



On **Thursday 3rd September**, you will be holding a Pupil Consultation Day. All Year 13 subject teachers will be stationed around our Sports Hall. You will then be invited in during a particular window of time to have a one-to-one consultation. This will be a great opportunity to discuss how you have found the topics covered during 'lockdown', any areas of the course you are struggling with and come up with some plans to help you prepare for mock examinations you will do at the end of September. You are welcome to come between the following times

- 13 Matthew – 9.30am – 10am.
- 13 Mark – 10am – 11am
- 13 Luke – 10.30am – 11.30am
- 13 John – 11am – 12noon
- 13 Paul – 1pm – 2pm
- 13 Andrew – 1.30pm – 2.30pm
- 13 Thomas – 2pm – 3pm.

This is a new initiative and could be described as a Parent's Evening without the parents. At the moment, parents will not be able to visit the school site.

On **Friday 4th September**, there will be 'Year 13 Induction Day'. We will explain a lot of the new arrangements with you, receive your new timetable and we will give you more information about the year ahead. You will then attend a carousel of workshops designed to prepare you for the challenging year to come. You will need to need to report to your form room at 10am. The day will finish at 3pm.

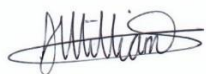
- 13 Matthew – Room 30/B1.4.
- 13 Mark – Room 78/F1.19
- 13 Luke – Room 61/F2.8
- 13 John – Room 79 /F1.2
- 13 Paul – Room 60 /F2.9
- 13 Andrew – Room 77 / F1.8
- 13 Thomas – F1.10

On Monday 7th September, the new timetable will start for all year groups. In order for all pupils to be able to wash their hands and follow the new systems, the times of the school day will change slightly but for Year 13, you still need to be at your form room by 8.45 and the day will usually end at 3pm, or 4pm should you have a Period 6 lesson.

From Thursday 3rd September, all pupils are expected to adhere to our Sixth Form dress code which includes a suit, formal shoes and a shirt and tie for the gentlemen and tailored trousers and jacket worn with formal shoes and a smart jumper or blouse for ladies. Should you be unsure, don't hesitate to ask.

Should you have anything you are worried about, you are very welcome to email myself (williamsa@st-peters.solihull.sch.uk), Mr Carr (carrd@st-peters.solihull.sch.uk), Mrs McHale (mchalem@st-peters.solihull.sch.uk) or your form tutor at any time. Please be assured that the many questions you may still have will be answered when you return for your 'Year 13 Induction Days'. I wish you all a very happy summer holiday and look forward to seeing on Thursday 3rd September.

Kind Regards



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