

Dear Parents and Carers,

A belated Happy New Year to all and a welcome back to all staff and students.

It has been nice to return to school following a restful break and to welcome students back. Students have returned with a positive attitude, ready to learn and return to routine. Students have responded well to new guidelines regarding testing and the wearing of face masks, which are a crucial aspect of keeping us all safe. Can I remind families that testing using the LFT kits students have been collecting must continue every Sunday and Wednesday and reported via the link sent out in previous emails. This testing is an important part in maintaining safe sites for all.

We have the COVID vaccination team in school on Thursday 13th January 2022, please see attached letter and consent forms.

I would like to end with welcoming three new staff to Shrewsbury Academy: Miss Hinchcliffe joins us as Teacher of DT, Miss Perks as pastoral team member and Strategic Lead for First Aid and Mrs Gwilliams as part of the reception and admin team.

Miss Julie Johnson
Head of School



REMINDERS & NOTICES

COVID Vaccinations

The Covid Vaccination team will be back in Shrewsbury Academy on Thursday 13th January 2022, to deliver the second Covid-19 vaccination doses for students aged 12-15 years old. They will also have the capacity to deliver first doses to students who were absent on the initial vaccination date, or if parents wish to now consent for their child to be vaccinated. Please note, if your child is 11 years of age on Thursday 13th January 2022, they will not meet the requirements for a vaccination. Therefore, you should dispose of the form. If your child is 16 or above, they have capacity to consent themselves.

The attached letter and consent forms have been given to your child during DEAR time this afternoon. We have attached a copy to this email, just in case it doesn't make it home. Please note, we are happy to approve PE tops to be worn on the day alongside the remainder of the uniform, to support with privacy and delivery efficiency.

Due to the short turn around, these forms need to be returned to reception / student services by **9am on Wednesday 12th January 2022**. We will need to collate these forms and inform the vaccination team by lunchtime on Wednesday 12th January so that they can bring the correct number of vaccinations. This ensures no wastage.

Please may we request that the letter is read carefully as the waiting period between covid infection and vaccinations has increased from 28 days to 12 weeks. If you require any further information, please contact the school directly on 01743 276700 or via email info@shr.mmat.co.uk.

Mr Nick Parkin- Operations Manager

Year 11 Parents' Evening

We emailed you on the 17th December with information regarding our Year 11 Parents Evening on 13th January. Due to current concerns regarding COVID this has been moved to an online portal with no capacity to hold in person face to face meetings.

There is a simple process to follow to support you in securing appointments for your child. You will find attached a clear step by step instruction sheet that will walk you through the process.

Online appointments booked through this system will last approximately four and a half minutes. They are allocated on a first come, first served basis. We do have concerns that some staff absence may prevent appointments from being made in Maths and Science subjects. If these subjects are not available on your page, then please contact the Heads of Department as required.

With GCSE exams planned to go ahead this summer we very much want to assist your child through the next few months and your support with this is crucial.

Please contact the school using: info@shr.mmat.co.uk if you require any assistance with the booking system.

Mr Jim Taylor
Deputy Head Teacher

