



11th September 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: School Return Update

It has been wonderful to welcome all of our students back to school and we have been so impressed with their excellent behaviour and the way in which they have adapted to new routines. The students have been engaged, enthusiastic and have demonstrated our school values of Family, Faith and Excellence.

Pupil attendance has been strong and we have had no confirmed positive cases of Covid-19. There have also been no staff absences since we have returned. If your child does show any symptoms of Covid-19, there is a set process to follow and we have provided the attached document as a guide to help you, we hope you find this useful.

Our Year 7 students have been settling in well. This week and next they are participating in a mini retreat in school chapel led by our Lay Chaplain. This helps them to get to know each other as a form and to have some time for self-reflection. We have also begun our series of morning prayer whereby each form in every year will have the opportunity to gather together in our school chapel to start the day in a prayerful way.

At St James' we aim to always keep parents and carers informed of what is going on in school and if you do not already do so, we recommend you follow our school Twitter account which uses the Twitter handle @StJamesCheadle. We regularly update our websites and all letters we send out can also be found on there at <http://www.stjamesheadle.co.uk/>

I have highlighted below key dates for each year group throughout the year but given the current circumstances, these are all subject to change. We will be in touch nearer the time for each event:

Year 7

16 th -19 th September	CATs
17 th September	Parent Tutor Evening (to be held remotely)
7 th October	Welcome Mass (to be live streamed)
10 th June	Lower School Presentation Evening
29 th June	Sports Day

Year 8

1 st October	Parents Evening (to be held virtually)
10 th June	Lower School Presentation Evening
29 th June	Sports Day

Year 9

14 th January	Parents Evening
4 th February	Options Evening
10 th June	Lower School Presentation Evening
29 th June	Sports Day



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Year 10

25 th September	Individual Photos
3 rd December	Apprenticeship Evening
10 th December	Parents Evening
21 st January	Work Experience information Evening

Year 11

25 th September	Year Photo
30 th November	Mock Examinations begin (2 weeks)
28 th January	Parents Evening
1 st March	Mock Examinations 2 begin (1 week)
4 th March	Y11 Examination Preparation Evening
14 th May	GCSE Examinations begin
29 th June	Leavers Mass
1 st July	Leavers Prom

All Year groups

19 th October	Parental forum (to be held remotely)
14 th December	Parental forum
8 th February	Parental forum
22 nd March	Parental forum
24 th May	Parental forum

Can we take the opportunity to thank you as parents and carers for your support and ask that you continue to pray for our school family as we move through the school year.

Yours faithfully

Mr A Pontifex
Headteacher