

Alderbrook School

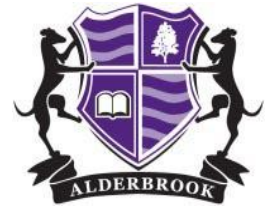
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Dear Parent/Carers,

As we come to the end of another busy week at school, I want to give you a few more important updates

Support for students

Some of our Key Stage 4 and 5 students may be invited to participate in after school support sessions. Students will be invited to these by their teachers either verbally, or teachers will submit a 'catch up and intervention session' to you by email from Class Charts. A timetable for these sessions for Year 11 and 13 can be found on the school website from Monday 5th October, though students do need to be invited to these because of our current protective measures. If they are invited, it is important that they attend so we can help them to catch up or revisit content they may not have understood.

If you do receive an email from Class Charts, it will say 'catch up and intervention detention'. Please ignore the 'detention' - this would not be a sanction and there will be no points attached to it. Class Charts are unable to set this up for us in any other way currently. However, attendance to these is vitally important if your child is invited to attend. I must stress that in the case of any after school session, parents/carers must be responsible for their child's transport from school. Sessions will normally be one hour, unless otherwise stated by the teacher.

Mixing with students from other schools

We are aware that some students need to meet family members from other schools at the end of the school day. It is imperative that students do not gather outside other schools, especially Tudor Grange, after school as there is the risk of mixing and contact. If students need to meet with those from other schools, please encourage them to do so away from the schools and not on Dingle Lane or Blossomfield Road. Students should not be meeting friends from other schools at the start or end of the school day.

NHS COVID 19 app – Test and Trace

As you may be aware the government have launched the NHS COVID 19 app to assist with the reach and speed of NHS Test and Trace. The app is intended to alert people who may have been exposed to the infection so they can take appropriate action.

The app is recommended for ages 16 and over but not all students aged 16 and over will have mobile phones or use the app; there is no requirement for them to do so, but it is likely that many will. Mobile phones are banned during the school day for years 7-11 and as such this will not impact on these students at school.

Our Sixth Form students, as part of their privileges, are allowed to keep mobile phones on them and switched on during the school day. It is possible that students could receive a notification via the app that they have been in close contact with a confirmed case and should therefore self-isolate. In this scenario, students must inform a member of staff as soon as possible. If the student is at school, the staff member will then make appropriate arrangements for the student to leave school at the earliest opportunity to begin self-isolation.

Best wishes



Tom Beveridge
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