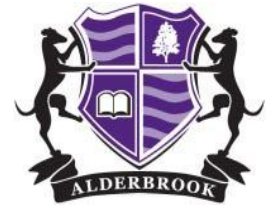


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Dear Parents/Carers

3 December 2021

Following my letter to you all on Monday of this week, a reminder please that we now have increased restrictions in place once again. Whilst we hope very much these will prove to be temporary, it is very important that we all work together as a school and community to keep our children, staff and families safe and well so we can all enjoy the festive season.

Appointments must be essential and made in advance. Please do not arrive at school unannounced with missing kit, forgotten homework etc. We have a standing request that parents/carers should not be coming onto site unless you have a pre-booked appointment with a member of staff. Where possible, appointments should be held via Teams or phone, rather than face to face unless absolutely necessary. All visitors to school must wear masks or face coverings in communal areas and should sanitise their hands on arrival. If visitors have any of the symptoms of Covid, or have received a positive Lateral Flow test result or been contacted by NHS Track and Trace as a close contact and advised to take a PCR test or isolate at home, any appointments made at school should be re-arranged.

Please ask your child to bring a mask or face covering to school and wear it at all times in communal areas and corridors whilst waiting to go in a lesson, unless they are exempt. Twice weekly testing on Sundays and Wednesdays remains vitally important in identifying and containing any positive cases within our community.

We have been directed to hold in-school lateral flow testing once more on the children's return to school on 4 January. More details will follow on this with information on giving consent. Year 11 parents/carers have been contacted separately by letter yesterday to confirm that mock exams will therefore start a day later, on 5 January. Year 11 parents/carers, please note that this letter also contains details of an online briefing by myself and Mrs Hobbs, Deputy Headteacher on Monday 13 December at 5.30 pm. Any questions with regard to assessments or examinations can be relayed via an MS Form and there is a link within the letter to submit questions with a return date of Wednesday 8 December.

Lastly on this subject please find a letter [here](#) from Solihull Council regarding latest information and advice on Covid.

## Christmas Performances

On a more festive note, a reminder of two Christmas performances; Tuesday 7 December, our Christmas concert which is always very popular as a lovely way to put yourself in the Christmas spirit, starting at 6.30pm, and on Wednesday 15 December our Drama Club production of Arabian Nights, starting at 7.30pm which promises to be an excellent evening's entertainment! You can purchase tickets at the link below or by emailing [boxoffice@alderbrook.solihull.sch.uk](mailto:boxoffice@alderbrook.solihull.sch.uk).

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/alderbrookschool>

## Flu vaccinations – years 7-11

Following my recent email confirming this will now happen in January, apologies that in my original correspondence back in October I mentioned all years. This vaccination will in fact be offered to years 7-11 only, but if you wish your Year 12 or 13 child to receive one this can be booked directly with your doctor and is also offered by some pharmacies. The new date for our vaccination programme is 27 January 2022 and consent forms will be sent out next week with a return date before the end of term.

## Sport England PE survey

We would be grateful if your child could take a few minutes to complete the survey below. The Information sheet link details how data is stored and anonymised. This is a voluntary exercise but if you do not give your consent to your child completing this please email Mr J Scott at [201office@alderbrook.solihull.sch.uk](mailto:201office@alderbrook.solihull.sch.uk). Many thanks in advance for your support with this survey.

[https://www.sircsurveys.com/f/1418034/fbc2/?LQID=1&SHUID=45StudentPre&Staff\\_Post=Yes](https://www.sircsurveys.com/f/1418034/fbc2/?LQID=1&SHUID=45StudentPre&Staff_Post=Yes)

[Information sheet](#)

Best wishes,



**Tom Beveridge**  
Headteacher