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Weston Favell Academy

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**Dear Parent/Carer** 

## Re: Start of term 2021 (Including specific transition information for new year 7 and 12 pupils)

I hope you and your family have managed to have a good summer and the continued disruption form COVID hasn't spoiled any plans you may have had.

I am writing to let you know the plan for the start of term, 2021. I apologise that the information is coming to you so late, however there have been several guidance changes over the last 3 weeks and I did not want to send mixed messages; I hope the plan outlined below will not change!

The government has advised that all pupils should have two Lateral Flow Tests before returning to school. As a result, I have had to alter the start of term arrangements to ensure we can carry out the testing quickly and safely. Testing will begin on **Tuesday 31**<sup>st</sup> **August**. I realise this is before the published start of term, but it is the only way we are able to get the pupils through. If you are unable to attend due to other commitments, we will arrange an alternative.

The testing is optional and requires parental consent; the consent given last year still stands so there is no need to complete a new consent form. If you would like your child to be tested this time round, please complete the form below. <u>Consent Form here</u> – if you have already given consent and your child was tested previously last year, please do Not complete this form again.

Date	Year group	Time	Notes
31 <sup>st</sup> August 2021	7	9am – 10:45am	Pupils to return home following test
_	11	11am – 12:30pm	Pupils to return home following test
	12/13	1pm – 2:45pm	Pupils to return home following test
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	8	9am – 10:45am	Pupils to return home following test
September	9	11am – 12:30pm	Pupils to return home following test
	10	1pm – 2:45pm	Pupils to return home following test
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	7	9am – 10:45am	Year 7 pupils will remain in school
			following this test to complete day 2
			of transition
	11	11am – 12:30pm	Pupils to return home following test
	12/13	1pm – 2:45pm	Year 12 pupils will remain in school
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>	8, 9, 10	All day	Test 2, scheduled during the school day.
September	7, 11, 12/13	All day	Catch up testing for any pupil who
			missed a test the previous week

## Actual start of Term

Year 7 pupils, given that they lost out on their transition days, will start on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September. Pupils should arrive to school for 8:40 am where they will be greeted by key staff. They will finish school at 3pm. This will be the same on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September.

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Years 8, 9, 10,11 & 13 will return to school on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September , they should arrive in time for an 8.40am prompt start.

The school year will begin 'properly' on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September at 8:40am. For those pupils in year 8,9,10,11 and 13, there will be some work uploaded to Teams and the website in preparation for the new term.

Enjoy the remaining couple of weeks and I look forward to welcoming your child back to school in September.

Yours sincerely

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Todd Johnson Principal



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