

RANGE HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you are all well and enjoying the relatively sunny weather we seem to be enjoying at the moment.

I wanted to update you on plans for school for the remainder of this academic year. As we now have two less full year groups in school, this does afford us more space and allows me to open up more of the specialist teaching areas for our Y7, 8, 9, 10 and 12. From the week beginning 21st June and probably the following week, most of our lessons will be conducted in specialist teaching spaces but the students will be accompanied by their teacher to and from these rooms from their zones. The zones will remain in place for classes only requiring a general teaching space. I am then hoping to be able to run a completely normal timetable for at least the last two weeks of the year. Students will remain in their zones for Form Class and they will remain in their outside zone at break and lunchtime. We will be trialling this and will likely continue this into the new academic year as part of our new year pastoral system. This will facilitate better communication and year group identity moving forward.

Please note that these changes will only take place if the local infection rate continues to fall. Your support and help throughout the whole pandemic period has been incredible and much appreciated. As agreed with the Headteacher at Formby High School and in accordance with local and national guidance, we will continue with our face mask policy for next week as well. Again, we will review this on a weekly basis.

Your child should come home with another set of LFD tests early next week. The Departments of Health and Education are strongly encouraging all of us to continue with our twice weekly testing. If you need further tests for your family, please refer to my previous letter on our website on where you can source test kits locally and free of charge. Again, your support with the testing has been impressive and no doubt is helping to keep Covid out of school as much as is possible. Please do remember to register your child's results at: https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result

Finally, we will be working with the whole school community on a real 'back to basics' message and strategy as school gets back to normal. As you start to have an eye on the new academic year, please ensure your child's uniform is as our policy lays out and that they arrive on time, fully prepared with the right books and equipment for a full days learning. That way we can be assured that your son/daughter starts the day off in the very best way with 'Range Ready' at the forefront of their minds. Please do bear in mind that trainers do not form part of our uniform policy regardless of the colour. This has lapsed somewhat this year due to students having to wear PE Kit etc... as part of our Covid restrictions. Please be

aware that as school fully re-opens and particularly in September, we will be re-enforcing all aspects of our uniform policy strictly.

With thanks for all of your support. As always, if you have any questions relating to any of this, please contact your child's Head of Year in the first instance.

Best wishes,

Mr McGarry Headteacher