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Dear Families,

You will be aware that the situation concerning COVID-19 is changing daily. We have therefore made some changes to the start of next term, although please be prepared that these may be subject to further change – we will communicate any further changes to you as soon as possible.

Start of Spring Term January 2022

Monday 3rd January – Bank Holiday

Tuesday 4th January

- Academic Review Day – please see previous letter on how to book appointments. These will be online via MS Teams with your child's form tutor or Head of Progress
- Work/resources will be set via MS Teams for students in Years 7-10 and 12/13 (please note that these will not be live lessons)
- Live revision sessions for Year 11s in English, maths and science – Heads of Core will invite students via MS Teams
- Lateral Flow Testing in the lower school hall (entrance via Honey End Lane only)
 - Year 11: 1 – 2pm
 - Years 12/13: 2 – 3pm

Wednesday 5th January

- Lateral Flow Testing in the lower school hall (entrance via Honey End Lane only)
 - Year 7: 9-10am
 - Year 8: 10 – 11am
 - Year 9: 11am – 12pm
 - Year 10: 12.45 – 1.45pm
- Work/resources will be set via MS Teams for all students (please note that these will not be live lessons)

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Thursday 6th January

- Normal lessons for all students; the school day will start at 8.25am as normal. This is of course subject to any changes that we are notified of from the DfE; we will communicate these to you as soon as we have been informed ourselves.

If you have not already completed the consent for Lateral Flow Testing for this academic year, please do so using this link: <https://forms.office.com/r/wFEDkc9QxZ>.

Safeguarding

You will be aware of the tragic deaths reported in the news recently of Arthur Labinjo-Hughes and Star Hobson. We would like to remind you that our safeguarding team will be available over the school holidays and can be contacted at safeguarding@prospect.reading.sch.uk. Alternatively, Brighter Futures for Children (Reading Children's Services) can be contacted at cspoa@brighterfuturesforchildren.org or ChildLine on 0800 1111

Christmas Concert

Due to the rising number of COVID-19 cases this week, we made the decision to hold our Christmas Concert virtually this year. Huge thanks to Mr Light and the Performing Arts Team, but most importantly, to all our students for such an excellent event. You can view the concert here: [Christmas Concert - YouTube](#)

COVID-19 Precautions

Whilst we do not know exactly what the new year holds, it seems inevitable that there will be a high level of precautions in place. We urge you to continue with twice-weekly lateral flow testing (if you are asymptomatic) and to take a PCR test should you develop any symptoms. We fully expect students to still be wearing facemasks in all communal areas of the school in January and would like to remind you of the importance of regular handwashing and socially distancing where possible.

Staff updates

Sadly, a number of staff are leaving us at the end of this term and I would like to thank them for their hard work and everything they have contributed to King's Academy Prospect over the years. We are very sad to say goodbye to Mrs Dowling, Miss Russell and Mr Assoun and we wish them all the very best in the future.

Finally, I would like to wish you all a very restful and enjoyable festive season, however you choose to celebrate, and our very good wishes for a happy and healthy 2022.

With best wishes,



Mr D Littlemore
Headteacher

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