

31st December 2020

Dear Parent / Carer

Re: Year 11 Return to school plans - Monday 11th January 2021

Apologies for contacting you again during the holidays, but as many of you will be aware, the Government has revised their previous guidance on the return of schools for the Spring term. Only vulnerable pupils and the children of critical workers will attend school in person from Tuesday 5th January 2021. Therefore, unless your child falls under these categories they will be expected to follow their timetabled lessons online at home and receive "live" teaching (unless a teacher is unwell or unable to present in front of a camera), with the exception of core PE lessons. All students will follow their individual timetable including form time in the morning, where their register will be taken. The register will also be taken at the start of every lesson so we can monitor students' attendance throughout the day. Your child will be given a Google Meet invite for all their sessions via their school (email) address.

Year 11 will return to school on **Monday 11th January 2021**. We will send more detailed guidance about this in the week commencing 4th January 2021.

If you believe your child falls under the Government's guidance for what constitutes a vulnerable pupil or child of a critical worker please complete this [survey](#).

For any **IT technical issues** please do contact the IT team via email studentsupport@stopasleyhighschool.co.uk

BTEC Music Exam

The announcement also makes it clear that the scheduled BTEC Music Exam will go ahead as planned. All students due to complete this will be contacted individually on Monday 4th January to be clear on the arrangements for this exam.

During this time if your child feels anxious or overwhelmed please do use the online wellbeing platforms suggested below:

Kooth has 24/7 advice for young people about their wellbeing. It's even open on Christmas day.

Young Minds has a useful parent helpline.

Anna Freud has a number of podcasts explaining common mental health concerns for young people and offers support to parents/carers.



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We will continue to update you as we receive further information.

Yours sincerely,

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Pam Whiting
Deputy Headteacher

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Deputy Headteacher