



Wednesday 5th January

Dear parent/carer,

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On behalf of all at Buile Hill I wish you a Happy New Year. I am writing to confirm the arrangements for the start of term.

- All students return to school on **Monday 10th January** at normal time, 8.25am
- Prior to this all students that have been given your permission to be Lateral Flow Tested need to come into school on **Friday 7th January** to have the test, we will inform you directly if the outcome is positive. The timings are as below. If you have not yet done so and wish to give permission, please use this link to do so, [LFT consent form](#)

Year 7	9.00am
Year 8	10.00am
Year 9	11.00am
Year 10	12.00pm
Year 11	1.00pm

Masks

The Department for Education (DFE) wrote to us recently to confirm we are returning to school as normal and as before Christmas staff/students will continue to wear masks in social spaces.

The letter also says “we also recommend that **face coverings should be worn in classrooms** and teaching spaces where students in year 7 and above are educated. The advice is short term only and will be reviewed on the 26 January”

We will adopt this going forward. Please can you look to ensure your child has a mask to wear in school. We will hold an assembly on Monday with all students to go through this.

Covid Lateral Flow Testing

The advice is for all staff and students to continue do test twice per week at home.

In order to be fully prepared for any remote learning that may need to be put in place please can you access this questionnaire to tell us about your child’s access to a device and the internet. Whilst we do not want to alarm you we do need to know which students have access to a device at home if going forward we are forced to move to students accessing work from Home-Remote Learning.

Click here to complete the [Remote Learning Questionnaire](#).

Thank you in advance for you continued support.

Yours faithfully,

Mr D Lancaster
Headteacher