

# WOOTTON ACADEMY TRUST

Tuesday 4 January 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

On behalf of the staff and governors at Wootton Academy Trust, I write to wish you a very Happy New Year.

Arrangements are in place for onsite lateral flow testing today, Tuesday 4 January for all pupils and students whose parents have booked appointments. I am very grateful to all the staff who have helped today to enable this to take place.

Moving forward, it is critical important that everyone continues to test on a regular basis.

## Forthcoming Dates

SPRING TERM 2022	
Tuesday 4th January	STAFF TRAINING DAY/ LFD TESTING ON SITE
Wednesday 5th January	School/College re-open – first day of term
Friday 11th February	School/College close for half-term at 3.00 p.m.
W/c Monday 14th February	Half Term
Monday 21st February	School/College re-open
Friday 1st April	Spring Term ends at 3.00 p.m.
Monday 4th April	Easter holiday begins

The first day of the summer term for pupils and students is **Wednesday 20 April**. On Tuesday 19 April there will be in a Staff Training Day. The first day of the autumn term for pupils and students is **Monday 5 September**. On Thursday 1 September and Friday 2 September there will be Staff Training Days.

## Bad Weather Procedure

Whilst we hope that we are not affected by snow and ice over the winter, in the event that the school/college are unable to open due to weather conditions our practice is to send parents/carers a text and an email as soon as a closure is confirmed. We also put information on our school and college websites if we are unable to open safely.

## Staff changes January 2022

We would like to thank the following staff who left at the end of December:

- Miss Davey – Teacher of Drama
- Dr El Farrar – Teacher of Science
- Mr Haworth – Teacher of Maths
- Miss Rose – Year Leader for Year 9
- Dr Yuille – Teacher of Science

This term, we welcome:

- Mrs Bonsu – Teacher of Science
- Mrs Dawes – Administrative Assistant in the Safeguarding Team
- Mr Gordon – Teacher of Science
- Mrs Riding – Careers Co-ordinator [Wootton Upper School]
- Mr Uzoечи – Teacher of Mathematic
- Mrs Maddix – Pastoral Support Officer [Wootton Upper School]

Additionally, Miss Ryan, teacher of Drama, joined the Trust at the start of December and Mrs Graham, Head of Drama, has returned from maternity leave. Mrs Graham and Miss Ryan will teach Miss Davey's Drama timetable.

Miss Martin, who joined the Trust in October, will teach Ms Rose's Geography timetable.

Other recent changes in staff roles for the rest of the academic year:

- Mr Bailey becomes Year 9 Leader
- Mr Glynn becomes KS 5 Physics Co-ordinator
- Miss Hill becomes Assistant Year 11 Leader working alongside Mr Kane, Year Leader
- Mr Hussain becomes Assistant Year 10 Leader working alongside Mrs Clark, Year Leader
- Mr Issott becomes KS 5 Maths Co-ordinator

### **Forthcoming vacancies**

### **Two Trust-wide Deputy Head appointments to lead [A] Teaching and Learning and [B] Inclusion and Diversity.**

The Trust is increasing the size of its Senior Leadership through the appointment of two additional Deputy Head teachers to join the existing Executive Leadership Team. These exciting new roles will be advertised nationally in the next few days with a closing date of Tuesday 25 January.

The successful candidates will join the Executive Leadership Team alongside the Head of School, Head of College, Deputy Head of School and Deputy Head of College.

### **Examination Invigilators**

We plan to advertise for examination invigilators to support the college and school in the summer 2022 Public Examinations.

Yours sincerely



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Wootton Academy Trust

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