

THE WHITSTABLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers

RE: End of Year Arrangements

We are coming to the end of what has been another extraordinary year. I would like to thank you for your continued support. It makes me incredibly proud to see our pupils continuing to engage with their education and showing true resilience despite the numerous challenges presented by Covid-19.

Friday 17th December

School will be finishing for pupils in Years 7-13 on **Friday 17th December** at 12:20.

Although the restaurant will not be open for lunch on the last day, pupils (including those who receive a free school meal) will be able to purchase food at break time should they wish.

Lost property

We have had a number of items handed in over the term, some of which has been reclaimed. If your child is missing an item please ask that they check at main reception before Friday 17th December. Any unclaimed items after this time will be donated to charity.

Start of Term 3

We will be having a slightly staggered start to Term 3 on our return. Term 3 will begin on Tuesday 4th January 2022 for pupils in years 11 and 13. During this day, pupils will be offered an onsite LFT test.

Pupils in Years 7 to 10 and Year 12 will be offered an onsite LFT test appointment time on 4th January 2022 and be required to return to school on Wednesday 5th January.

Testing

All pupils should continue to test twice weekly over the Christmas holiday period.

In line with recent Government guidance, the school will be offering **one** Lateral Flow Test (LFT) to all pupils as they return to school in January.

Whilst these on-site tests are not compulsory we would encourage all pupils to be tested either at school **or** continue to be tested at home, informing the school of any positive results immediately.

In order to register for on-site testing please complete this form by 3pm on Thursday 16th December.

Testing times on Tuesday 4th January will be:

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Sixth Form
15:00	13:30	11:30	10:30	08:30	09:30





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We wish all of our pupils and parents a restful Christmas and we look forward to welcoming all pupils back in the new year.

Yours sincerely

Mrs A M Gibson Headteacher

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