



Dear Parents and Carers

How school will work from the 19th July

The government's changes to how they want schools to operate, following Step 4, are based on the assumption that schools are closed for the summer from the 19th July. This is not the case in Nottinghamshire.

Therefore, we will keep all control measures in place for the final week of term. We think this is the right thing to do in order to protect students, staff and their families. If we collapsed all the current control measures in place on the 19th July, then this could have a significant impact on families plans at the start of the summer holiday.

I have already explained to students that all control measures will be in place during next week for this reason. However, there are some key matters that you should be aware of from the 19th July.

- 1) Twice weekly Lateral Flow Testing should continue and should be reported to the school and NHS via <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result> until the end of term. Students are not required to test during the school holidays. If they wish to continue to do so tests can be obtained from pharmacies and community testing centres.
- 2) If a child tests positive from the 19th July then this must be [reported to NHS](#) and your child must not attend school. NHS Track and Trace will then contact you to identify any close contacts. The school is no longer required or allowed to conduct the contact tracing process. Parents should only report to the school their child's absence and the reason for it.
- 3) From the 19th July, if NHS Track and Trace identify your child as a close contact then your child must not attend school until that period of self-isolation has finished. If this happens then parents should only report to the school their child's absence and the reason for it.
- 4) Your child should not attend school if they have any of the [symptoms](#), have tested positive or are [self-isolating for another reason](#). If your child develops symptoms during the school day then we will isolate them, contact you and arrange for them to go home as soon as possible
- 5) If your child is in the middle of a period of self-isolation on the 19th July, then they should not return to school until this has finished.
- 6) In order to protect bus drivers and each other we will still expect students travelling on the school buses to wear a face covering. This is in line with the governments' expectation and recommendation that people wear face coverings in crowded areas such as public transport
- 7) All other [control measures set out on the school website](#) remain in place until the end of term. This means that we will still keep year groups separate throughout the school day. We will contact parents separately to explain what control measures will be in place for students attending the Year 6 Summer School and for Y11/Y13 Results Days.

8) We are currently finalising plans for the return to school in September. Next week I will write to you to set out: how we will manage the testing that government expects us to undertake; and what control measures will still be in place in September. As ever, please do be reassured that our priority is to keep students, staff and their families safe.

I do hope this provides some clarity on how school will work for the final week of term. As ever, if you do have any questions then please do contact the school reception who will direct your query to someone who can help. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'A. George'.

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