

9<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

### **QEHS Weekly Update**

#### **COVID Related Absences**

There have been four positive cases in school this week. As a result, 13 Y13 students and 31 Y11 students are isolating. At this challenging time, all the staff in the high school are working hard to limit the impact of events on the students' wellbeing and learning. We also, appreciate that it is difficult for a parent/carer to receive a call, from school, saying their child has to isolate. On very rare occasions some people take out their frustrations on the administrative staff making those calls. Please be respectful and remember that they are communicating government policy on behalf of the school.

From Monday, students who are not in school will be able to access live lessons. This is only for the period up to Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July. From September the updated guidance from the Department for Education states that remote learning provision should only be available to students absent with COVID or isolating due to track and trace, and this will be our policy moving forward.

#### **End of term**

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June will be the last day students are in school. The students will have the additional form time during period 5 on Thursday where they will do fundraising activities.

We are looking forward to welcoming students back in September. The start of the term will be staggered with students returning on the following dates:

Y9      Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September

Y10     Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> September

Y11     Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> September

Y12     Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September (Welcome to Sixth Form is at the Abbey on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> September)

Y13     Friday 10<sup>th</sup> September

#### **Summer Holidays**

During the summer break there is no access to the school site and individual staff members will have restricted access to the network. To communicate with the school please use email. For general inquiries email [admin@qehs.net](mailto:admin@qehs.net) but for anything relating to results or sixth form entry email [results@qehs.net](mailto:results@qehs.net). There will be communication from us about the new build, the start of term

and the appeals process over the coming weeks. We will also post relevant information on the school website.

The students keep telling me that something is coming home on Sunday. I hope that it does and you all have a lovely weekend.

Yours faithfully

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Neil Seaton