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Dear Year 12 & 13 Students

We are thrilled that you will be returning to school in the week beginning 8 March. You have done brilliantly during this lockdown, but we are convinced that returning to face to face learning so that you can be with your teachers and your friends is absolutely the right thing for you now. We can't wait to see you!

We know that some of you are understandably feeling anxious about returning, for all sorts of reasons, and everyone at Rosebery is committed to helping you to deal with those concerns and to help every one of you feel safe, secure and happy in school.

### **The end of remote learning and a staggered start to coming back to school**

As you know, we can't have everyone back to school at the same time because the government want as many students as possible to be tested in school before you return. Therefore, if you and your parents/carers have agreed to you having a test, you will have this in school, and if it is negative you will return to lessons the next day.

### **Arrangements for your COVID-19 test**

We sent your specific time window for your tutor group to your parents/carers along with the date for your return to school dates to your parents/carers, but here it is for you:

Year 12 and 13 will be tested on Monday 8 March and will return to school for tutor time at 8.30 on Tuesday 9 March.

Form	Test date	Test time
12A	8/3	1.50
12B	8/3	2.00
12C	8/3	2.10
12D	8/3	2.20
12E	8/3	2.40
12F	8/3	2.50

Form	Test date	Test time
13A	8/3	3.00
13B	8/3	3.10
13C	8/3	3.20
13D	8/3	3.30
13E	8/3	3.40
13F	8/3	3.50

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- If you can come to school on foot, or by bike, please do so.
- You must come to the Sports Hall for your test, only at the time you have been given, and you must practice social distancing whilst you wait for your test.
- You must wear a mask when you enter the Sports Hall.
- You will go home as soon as your test is done.
- You will only hear from us if your test is positive, in which case you will need to self-isolate for 10 days.

As you can imagine, implementing this mass testing programme is a big operation. Additionally, last week, we learned some of the detail about the new arrangements for grading Year 13 students, following the cancellation of your exams.

### Remote learning arrangements until Monday 8 March

Therefore, we have made some differences to your remote learning over the next few school days to help us make sure everything runs smoothly for all students. The plan for remote learning is therefore:

Date	Remote learning expectations
<b>Friday 5 March</b>	No live remote lessons P1 and P2 Live remote lessons will begin P3
<b>Monday 8 March</b>	No live remote learning Day of Promises, which you will have already heard about from your form tutor – see details later in this letter Year 12 and 13 are only in for your test and will then return home
<b>Tuesday 9 March</b>	Year 12 and 13 are in tutor time and then lessons from 8.30

### Coming back to school

When you return to school our priority is your safety and the safety of all the staff who work at Rosebery. Therefore, we ask you to:

- Always follow the one-way system.
- Stay in your Home Base at break and lunchtime and head there if you get to school very early or need to wait for anyone at the end of the day.
- Wear your lanyard.
- Wear your mask whenever you are indoors, including in lessons.
- Avoid mixing with students from other year groups.
- Be kind - your friends and teachers may well be feeling anxious about being back and we must all respect and please look out for each other over the next few weeks as we all get used to being back in school.

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## Use of Sixth Form specific areas

Given that the arrangements in the Autumn term demonstrated a level of success in terms of COVID safety, we will be maintaining a very similar protocol upon your return:

### Signing in and out

Please could all students reacquaint themselves with the Sign In app. If you need to reinstall, or require a new code, please email Mrs Cooley and she will send you one. The Sign In app must be used every day, regardless of attending tutor time.

**Year 12** will be located downstairs in the Sixth Form common room. There will be more desks for quiet working, as well as computers, made available.

There will be a bank of Chromebooks that can be removed from the cabinet and used. They must not leave the common room and should be returned to the cabinet after being carefully wiped down.

**Year 13** will be located upstairs as before. You only have access to computers in the study area, so if you have your own laptop it may give you more flexibility when working onsite. There will still be an area for silent study - this is now located in the library area.

**The café** will continue to be used by both year groups and we will expect you to wear masks and distance yourselves when queueing. The area opposite the café will continue to be used by Year 13 students, who require access, as before - students in Year 12 should not use that space.

The Sixth Form leadership will ensure that they are regularly available in both areas so you can ask questions and talk to us, however if a Year 12 would like to see Mrs Cooley, Mr Phillips or Miss Allison they are very welcome to come upstairs to find us.

There will be more detail in the newsletter this week from Mr Phillips.

We are incredibly proud of how you have coped with the last 10 weeks away from school. You have shown great determination, resilience and compassion for others. The next few weeks will be a new challenge, but we know you will rise to it and we are here to help you. We look forward to seeing you next week!

Yours sincerely



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