

Be Your Best Self

Thursday 2nd September 2021



Dear Parents & Carers (and students),

I hope your summer is going well? I thought it might be useful to write with a reminder about the start of term, following my update on 22nd July 2021.

Firstly, a very warm welcome to all of our new students in Year 7. We can't wait to see you next week; it was lovely to meet so many of you at the summer school. We are also looking forward to welcoming our new Year 12 students into our fantastic sixth form. It will be great to see our whole school community come together again.

Since last writing we have had so much activity in school. I have already mentioned the summer school when well over 200 of our new Year 7 students joined us for a week of team-building, core learning and numerous other fun activities. We were also delighted with the outcomes from the year 13 and Year 11 results days following the national centre-assessed grading process. The school site has also been alive with contractors continuing to upgrade the heating, roofing, double glazing, floor coverings and decorative state of our buildings. Existing parents who drop off their children by car will be delighted that the road into school has now been resurfaced!

On page 7 onwards, please find an updated staff contact list. We always commit to speaking to parents who have a query as soon as possible, rather than engaging in lengthy email conversations. This contact list is a useful document to print and have to hand if you feel school staff can help you.

I do hope your own 'start of term' goes well.

Kind regards,



Andrew Parkinson
Headteacher

Start of term - September 2021: In- School Coronavirus Testing

As part of the government-recommended system of controls to minimise the spread of coronavirus infection, the two secondary schools in the STAR MAT will be encouraging all students to take two *supervised* coronavirus lateral flow device tests (a nasal swab), 3-5 days apart at testing sites in school during the week beginning Monday 6th September 2021. Parents must give consent for their child to be tested AND must book testing appointments in school.

Students will need to wear their own face covering when in school for their lateral flow appointments

CONSENT FORM

IN-SCHOOL CORONAVIRUS LATERAL FLOW TESTING ON MONDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER & THURSDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER 2021

We strongly recommend you give your consent for your child(ren) to be tested on the attached form. Please could we ask you to complete this form by **midday Friday 3rd September 2021** at the latest. Please note that parents who gave consent for testing in school earlier in 2021 (February) need to resubmit their consent; one consent form for each child.

[CLICK HERE](#)

APPOINTMENTS BOOKING FORM

CORONAVIRUS LATERAL FLOW TESTING ON MONDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER & THURSDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER 2021

Please book your child's two supervised, in-school coronavirus lateral flow tests on the parents' evening booking system. This will close at **midday Friday 3rd September 2021**.

[Testing Booking System For New Year 8 > Year 13](#)

New Year 7 only

Please do not use the booking system above. Please come to school for coronavirus testing on Monday 6th September only as follows:

Surnames: A - D 9.30am - 11.00am

Surnames: E - L 11.00am - 12.30pm

Surnames: M - R 12.30pm - 2.00pm

Surnames: S - Z 2.00pm - 3.30pm

Mr I Webb
Business Manager
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Start of term - Arrangements for the start of term

Monday 6th September 2021
In-school supervised coronavirus lateral flow device testing day 1
Students in all years <u>only attend school for their coronavirus lateral flow test appointment</u> (up to 30 minutes) and then go home.
Students will need to wear their own face covering when in school for their lateral flow appointments.
We are asking parents for support with transport to and from school - please park in the main car park and remain there whilst your child(ren) enter(s) the school buildings for their LFD test.
No school buses.
[Year 12 registration for external students/follow up queries for internal Year 12 students.]
Tuesday 7th & Wednesday 8th September 2021
Staff training days School closed to students
Thursday 9th September 2021
In-school supervised coronavirus lateral flow device testing day 2
Students in <u>years 8, 9, 10, 11 & 13 only attend school for their coronavirus lateral flow test appointment</u> (up to 30 minutes) and then go home.
Students will need to wear their own face covering when in school for their lateral flow appointments.
We are asking parents for support with transport to and from school for years 8, 9, 10, 11 & 13 - please park in the main car park and remain there whilst your child(ren) enter(s) the school buildings for their LFD test.
Years 7 & 12 have a normal school day, including LFD testing (no need to book).

School buses running for Year 7 & 12 only.

Friday 10th September 2021

School fully open to all year groups.
 Normal school day timings for all students.
 School buses running for all year groups.

Timings of the school day

	8.40 - 9.05	9.05 - 10.05	10.05 - 11.05	11.05 - 11.25	11.25 - 12.25	12.25 - 1.05	1.05 - 2.05	2.05 - 3.05
Year 7	1	2	3	break 1	4	break 2	5	6
Year 8	1	2	3	break 1	4	break 2	5	6
Year 9	1	2	3	break 1	4	break 2	5	6
Year 10	1	2	3	break 1	4	break 2	5	6
Year 11	1	2	3	break 1	4	break 2	5	6
Year 12/13								
	8.40 - 9.05	9.05 - 10.05	10.05 - 11.05	11.05 - 12.05	12.05 - 1.05		1.05 - 2.05	2.05 - 3.05
	1	2	3	4	break 1	break 2	5	6

Students should not be dropped off before 8.20 am.

All students must be in school and en route to lesson 1 for 8.35 am at the latest.

Student Areas (Before School)	Areas Dry / Wet
Y7	Y7 Playground / Toulston
Y8	Basketball Court / Science Quad Area
Y9	Science Quad Area and Walkway
Y10	Girls' Gym area
Y11	ILC

School Uniform Expectations & Sixth Form Dress Code

Please [click here](#) for full details.

Please be aware that we are reopening the PE changing rooms. Therefore all students are expected to attend school in their full uniform each day and get changed into their PE kit on their allocated PE days, rather than wearing it for the full school day.

Mr R Vernon
Deputy Headteacher
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Equipment for the new academic year

The last few days of the holiday are a perfect opportunity to get restocked for the new academic year. A reminder of the equipment that every student needs to bring, every single day is as follows:

Pens, pencils, ruler
Sharpener, eraser
Coloured pencils
Glue Stick
Scientific Calculator
(recommended model: Casio fx-83gtx)
Chromebook
Highlighters (3)
Pair of compasses
Protractor
French/German Dictionary

Being fully equipped plays a huge part in being a successful learner. It enables students to be ready to learn straight away in every lesson. Students who have a glue stick (which works!) are able to organise their work efficiently, which helps when it comes to revision. Being fully equipped is a school expectation, but more importantly it is part of being a Responsible Learner at TGS.'

Mr A Sykes

Senior Assistant Headteacher

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School CCTV system

As mentioned back in July 2021, our existing CCTV system has been re-fitted over the summer holidays. CCTV cameras are located in key areas including some internal corridors and over the sink area only in toilets. Cameras also cover the grounds of the school as a deterrent to theft and criminal damage after school hours.

Privacy documents and the CCTV usage policy will be available once the system installation has been fully completed. We will also inform students again in assemblies during the first week of term about how the school uses the CCTV system.

Mr I Webb

Business Manager

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Applications to the Sixth Form

It's still not too late to join the Tadcaster Grammar School Sixth Form. Please email Ms Knapton on r.knapton@tgs.starmat.uk if you have an enquiry.

Coronavirus mitigation

You will be aware that the national system of coronavirus controls for schools has changed since July 2021.

When to self-isolate

[Government guidance on when to self isolate](#)

Room ventilation

All areas inside school will be as well ventilated as possible.

Hand hygiene

Washing hands is still a recommended measure to prevent the spread of coronavirus. Hand washing will be encouraged both at the start of the school day and after break periods. It would be a sensible idea for your son/daughter to also have a small bottle of hand sanitiser in their school bag.

Use of face coverings

The use of face coverings on school buses is mandatory. If students want to wear a face covering in school they will be permitted to do this, but it is now not a requirement. It would however be a sensible idea for your son/daughter to carry a face covering in their school bag.

Students will need to wear their own face covering when in school for their lateral flow appointments during Monday 6th & Thursday 9th September 2021 .

Contact tracing

The school will no longer trace close contacts - close contacts will still be identified via NHS Test and Trace.

Asymptomatic coronavirus lateral flow testing and reporting a positive test

We are asking parents and carers to continue to support the school by lateral flow testing their children on a Sunday and Wednesday evening and then reporting positive tests only immediately via:

<https://tgs.starmat.uk/student-lateral-flow-test-results/>

As ever we will be keeping all our plans under constant review and they will be subject to change depending on local circumstances.

Chromebooks

Students in Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 are expected to bring their chromebook to school each day, *fully charged*. If they require a loan device for the day, they should make arrangements for this as soon as they arrive in school in Room M22. Chromebooks which were ordered for Year 7 students over the summer are due to arrive in school shortly, and will be distributed to students directly.

Mr M Dunphy

Assistant Headteacher

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KEY CONTACTS IN SCHOOL

Individual subject enquiry	Pastoral enquiry
Order of priority (who to approach first): 1st: Your child's subject teacher 2nd: The Curriculum Team Leader for the subject	Order of priority (who to approach first): 1st: Your child's form tutor 2nd: Your child's Pastoral Leader 3rd: Your child's Year Leader

Subject Enquiries - Curriculum Team Leaders

Art	Ms E Lattimore	e.lattimore@tgs.starmat.uk
Business & Commercial Subjects	Mr C Benoit	c.benoit@tgs.starmat.uk
Computing	Mr R Remillard	r.remillard@tgs.starmat.uk
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English	Ms C Carson	c.carson@tgs.starmat.uk
Food & Nutrition	Ms H Hercberg	h.hercberg@tgs.starmat.uk
French	Ms M Butterworth	m.butterworth@tgs.starmat.uk
Geography	Ms L Ireland	l.ireland@tgs.starmat.uk
German	Ms A Baker	t.baker@tgs.starmat.uk
History	Mr A Crease	a.crease@tgs.starmat.uk
Mathematics	Mr R Power	r.power@tgs.starmat.uk
Music	Ms S Buckley	s.buckley@tgs.starmat.uk
Physical Education	Mr R Solk	r.solk@tgs.starmat.uk
RE	Ms T Askew	t.askew@tgs.starmat.uk
Science	Mr P Gomersal	p.gomersal@tgs.starmat.uk
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Technology	Mr J Bell	j.bell@tgs.starmat.uk

Pastoral enquiries

1st Contact - Form tutor

2nd Contact - Pastoral Leader

3rd Contact - Year Leader

YEAR 7

Form	1st: Form Tutor	Email
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7C2	Ms C. Collinson Ms S. Campbell	c.collinson@tgs.starmat.uk s.campbell@tgs.starmat.uk
7D1	Mr C. Benoit	c.benoit@tgs.starmat.uk
7D2	Ms S. Buckley	s.buckley@tgs.starmat.uk
7F1	Mr K. Simpson	k.simpson@tgs.starmat.uk
7F2	Mr K. Pennock	k.pennock@tgs.starmat.uk
7O1	Mr R. Solk	r.solk@tgs.starmat.uk
7O2	Mr J. Bellwood	j.bellwood@tgs.starmat.uk
7T1	Ms E. Neuberg Ms N. Brown	e.neuberg@tgs.starmat.uk n.brown@tgs.starmat.uk
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	2nd: Pastoral Leader	3rd: Year Leader
Year 7	Mr D Bass d.bass@tgs.starmat.uk	Ms C Hodgson c.hodgson@tgs.starmat.uk
	Year 7 01937 837618 or extension: 218	

Pastoral enquiries

1st Contact - Form tutor

2nd Contact - Pastoral Leader

3rd Contact - Year Leader

YEAR 8

Form	1st: Form Tutor	Email
8C1	Dr M. Stephenson	m.stephenson@tgs.starmat.uk
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8D1	Ms T. Askew	t.askew@tgs.starmat.uk
8D2	Mr A. Stangroom	a.stangroom@tgs.starmat.uk
8F1	Ms K. Langstaff	k.langstaff@tgs.starmat.uk
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8O2		
	Ms L. Ireland Ms V. Ward	l.ireland@tgs.starmat.uk v.ward@tgs.starmat.uk
8T1	Ms L. Fullerton	l.fullerton@tgs.starmat.uk
8T2	Mr P. Richardson Ms H. Cooney	p.richardson@tgs.starmat.uk h.cooney@tgs.starmat.uk

	2nd: Pastoral Leader	3rd: Year Leader
Year 8	Ms E Proctor e.proctor@tgs.starmat.uk	Mr A Punt a.punt@tgs.starmat.uk
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Pastoral enquiries

1st Contact - Form tutor

2nd Contact - Pastoral Leader

3rd Contact - Year Leader

YEAR 9

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9D2	Ms M. Butterworth	m.butterworrth@tgs.starmat.uk
9F1	Mr J. Balfour	j.balfour@tgs.starmat.uk
9F2	Ms S. Micheli	s.micheli@tgs.starmat.uk
9O1	Ms L. Boddy Ms J. Pinder	l.boddy@tgs.starmat.uk j.pinder@tgs.starmat.uk
9O2	Ms H. Hercberg Ms K. Baron	h.hercberg@tgs.starmat.uk k.baron@tgs.starmat.uk
9T1	Mr C. Spence	c.spence@tgs.starmat.uk
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	2nd: Pastoral Leader	3rd: Year Leader
Year 9	TEMPORARY Ms C Beal c.beal@tgs.starmat.uk	Ms C Kenny c.kenny@tgs.starmat.uk
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Pastoral enquiries

1st Contact - Form tutor

2nd Contact - Pastoral Leader

3rd Contact - Year Leader

YEAR 10

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10C2		
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10D2	Ms A. Henson	a.henson@tgs.starmat.uk
10F1	Ms L. Alderman Mr A. Cain	l.alderman@tgs.starmat.uk a.cain@tgs.starmat.uk
10F2	Mr R. Power Ms C. Foulds	r.power@tgs.starmat.uk c.foulds@tgs.starmat.uk
10O1	Ms K. Heneachon Ms M. Petre	k.heneachon@tgs.starmat.uk m.petre@tgs.starmat.uk
10O2	Mr M. McKie	m.mckie@tgs.starmat.uk
10T1	Ms R. Butterworth	r.butterworth@tgs.starmat.uk
10T2	Ms E. Stubbs	e.stubbs@tgs.starmat.uk

	2nd: Pastoral Leader	3rd: Year Leader
Year 10	Ms S.Loaring (Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri) s.loaring@tgs.starmat.uk	Ms C Yewman c.yewman@tgs.starmat.uk
	Year 10 Phone number tbc	

	or extension: tbc
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Pastoral enquiries

1st Contact - Form tutor

2nd Contact - Pastoral Leader

3rd Contact - Year Leader

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11D2	Ms R. Dickinson	r.dickinson@tgs.starmat.uk
11F1	Ms C. Duckworth	c.duckworth@tgs.starmat.uk
11F2	Ms J. Binks Ms E. Lindsay	j.binks@tgs.starmat.uk e.lindsay@tgs.starmat.uk
11O1	Mr J. Alderman	j.alderman@tgs.starmat.uk
11O2	Ms J. Alderson Ms L. Velvick	j.alderson@tgs.starmat.uk l.velvick@tgs.starmat.uk
11T1	Dr Z. Burgess	z.burgess@tgs.starmat.uk
11T2	Ms H. Stiles Ms L. Thompson	h.stiles@tgs.starmat.uk l.thompson@tgs.starmat.uk

	2nd: Pastoral Leader	3rd: Year Leader
Year 11	Pastoral Leader Mr J Fox j.fox@tgs.starmat.uk	Year Leader Ms D Naylor d.naylor@tgs.starmat.uk
	Year 11 Phone number tbc or extension: tbc	

Pastoral enquiries

1st Contact - Form tutor

2nd Contact - Pastoral Leader

3rd Contact - Director

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13C	Mr A. Crease	a.crease@tgs.starmat.uk
13D	Ms K. Holmes	k.holmes@tgs.starmat.uk
13F	Mr S. Sharratt	s.sharratt@tgs.starmat.uk
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13T	Ms J. Kay	j.kay@tgs.starmat.uk

	2nd: Pastoral Leader	3rd: Director
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General contact with the school

Please ring Reception on: 01937 833466

Or use the following contact form: <https://tgs.starmat.uk/contact/>

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