

20th July 2021

Dear Parents / Carers

As we approach the end of what has been an unprecedented year, I thank you for the support you have given the school throughout this most extraordinary time. Together we have worked incredibly hard to provide remote learning opportunities and support our students in their return to face-to-face learning. I would like to congratulate students, parents and staff on their hard work and efforts this academic year.

As with everything, when one thing ends another begins as we are now planning for and looking forward to the new academic year on our new Brompton Road site. This is an exciting time for the school community as we move to our fully refurbished and significantly developed facilities. We have named the two sites Arbor (West) and Cuthbert (East).

We will be keeping you fully informed throughout the summer of the arrangements for the return to our new school site and our testing programme. You can expect to receive the following:

- An appointment and details for your child's covid test on Tuesday 7th September.
- A 'Rough Guide' for the new site containing all the information you need to know.
- A film welcoming students to the new school site.

We very much look forward to introducing and welcoming you all to our new school in September.

### September 2021

Here is the expected schedule for the return to school.

Date	Detail	Which Site
Thursday 3rd September	Staff Training Day	
Friday 4th September	Staff Training Day	
Monday 6th September	Staff Training Day	
Tuesday 7th September	Covid-19 Testing Day 1 All Years	Cuthbert Gym
Wednesday 8th September	All Year Groups to attend	Years 7,8,10 Arbor Years 9,11,12,13 Cuthbert
Thursday 9th September	All Year Groups to attend	Years 7, 9 Arbor Years 8,10,11,12, 13 Cuthbert
Friday 10th September	Covid-19 Testing Day 2 All Years. All students follow normal timetable in school	Years 7,8,10 Arbor Years 9,11,12,13 Cuthbert

Please note these plans may be subject to change if there are any updates from the government. We will keep you fully informed in this event.

### **Staff Departures**

The end of the school year always brings the time to say farewell and to our valued staff members who are leaving to move on to the next step of their careers. This year we wish Mrs Kreczak, Mrs Wood, Mr Murphy, Mrs Bassett Barker, Miss Williams, Mr Durnion, Mrs Andrew, and Mrs Dunn all the very best in their new roles.

I would like to wish all of our school community a restful and enjoyable summer, and look forward to seeing you all again in September.

### **Message from Mr Crane, CEO of the Arete Trust**

I'd just like to say a massive thank you to all pupils, staff and parents/carers for all of their hard work and support of the school throughout the academic year. I feel that we have responded to and dealt with the challenges and constantly changing guidelines and situations we have found ourselves in really well, and it really has been a collective team effort. We are really excited about the start of the new academic year and the move to the Brompton Road site, and I hope that you and your families and friends have a great summer. We look forward to welcoming your child back to school in September.

Best wishes



**Mr R. Crane**  
CEO



**Mrs V. E. Rahn**  
Head of School