



Newent Community School and Sixth Form Centre

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Dear Students, Parents & Carers,

I would like to again congratulate all students for their continued efforts in Term 6. Students across all year groups have engaged with our internal assessments processes with tremendous maturity. A message that I regularly share with our students is that 'Hard work always pays off', and the diligent way our students are undertaking their assessments will certainly support their progress in their individual subjects.

I would also like to thank Miss Rogers, Mr Britten and the entire Sixth Form administration and teaching team for their excellent work with this week's 'virtual' Yr 11 into 12 Induction Day. I am delighted that so many of our current students will be returning to Newent Sixth Form in September to continue their learning journey. If you have any queries regarding Sixth Form study at Newent please contact Miss Rogers or Mr Britten via the email addresses below

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A real pleasure of having an office opposite the Main Hall in school is that I regularly witness the wonderful work of our Creative teams. Whether it be musical renditions on our grand piano, or students performing dramatic masterpieces, the creative talents of our students cannot be underestimated. I am so pleased that such a large number of students have signed up to be involved in our December school production and look forward to the rehearsals getting into full swing!

Although we see an increasing level of normality returning to our lives we will continue to follow all Government guidance on the control measures that are required to reduce potential transmission within schools. As you will have seen in the local media, a number of schools in Gloucestershire have recently reported Covid-19 cases within their schools and students have been required to self-isolate as a result. I must again stress that a key supportive measure from our parents, carers and students is to continue with twice weekly Lateral Flow Device Tests issued by the school. Results should be recorded via the links, shared again below.

<https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>

[Link to report to school](#)

If you receive a positive test result outside of school hours, please telephone **07498717490** as soon as possible. This will enable me to take the required action as soon as I am alerted and put the necessary protocols in place for the remainder of your child's bubble. Please note this number must only be used in the event of a positive result being confirmed.

A few general reminders to students in school are to please remember that payment at Meet N Eat is by fob only. If a student does not have a fob on a particular day, please speak to a member of the catering Team who will be able to ensure your child is able to purchase food. The Finance Office will inform you that your child's fob requires topping up. Also, as the weather improves please bring a bottle of water to school to ensure you are fully hydrated throughout the day.

Please could I remind those parents and carers who would like to purchase a Stagecoach bus pass that the deposit needs to be made, and paperwork returned, by Friday 9th July 2021. If you have any questions please email buspass@newent.gloucs.sch.uk.

Only yesterday we received some excellent news about continued investment in our school. Mrs Price, Business Manager, and her team have been successful in securing around £150,000 of funding to further improve the conditions of our History block. We are hopeful that work can begin over the summer months, ready for the return of our students in September. Great work by all involved.

With very best wishes for the weekend ahead,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Rhys Phillips', written in a cursive style.

Rhys Phillips
Acting Principal