

IDSALL SCHOOL

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Parent newsletter

Thursday 4th June 2020

Dear All,

I hope you are all well and keeping safe.

We are now in a position to share the timetable arrangements for the remainder of the year for the current year 10 and 12 classes. Despite the overwhelming request for year 10 and year 12 places, we are only going to be able to offer a restricted timetable due to revised Government guidelines and expectations, which includes social distancing and only allowing 25% of the year group in school each day. However, we have been able to ensure every student can get at least 2 hours of quality teaching with each of their subject teachers for every subject they study. Therefore, the school day will run from 9.30am to 2pm Monday to Friday. This will start from **Monday 15th June**. We are only allowed 25% of the year group on site at any one time and this will need to be for the duration of the whole day.

Year 10

The attached timetable in brief, means your child will be offered at least one day per week in school. You will see from the timetable which day this is, based on their teaching sets; and this may change each week, hence why there is a timetable set for each week. For example, in the week commencing Monday 15th June, students will be taught in their English sets from Monday to Thursday, and in their Science sets on the Friday. However, we can only have half of the class on any given day, so students will need to check their set and surname to see if they have a lesson, as the class has been divided in half using their surname in alphabetical order to ensure the maximum number is not exceeded. Where a class is less than 15, all students can attend and we have shown this on the timetable. The school day will be divided into two sessions with a 30 minute lunch period.

We expect all year 10 students to complete all of the assessments set by their class teacher before they return on the 15th June.

Year 12

We have managed to ensure each year 12 class is allocated to a 4 hour slot per week. You will see from the timetable, this means each option block gets a full 9.30am to 2pm slot in school on a set day over the 5 weeks. For example, option A will be on a Monday for the remainder of the term. Places are limited due to the Government's maximum of 25% of the year group rule which means you will need to book a place and have that place confirmed. To book a place, please email info@idsall.shropshire.sch.uk marking the email 'Post-16 place'. Once the maximum number has been reached for that week, anyone who does not get a place will automatically be booked into the following week as a priority. This will allow some face to face time with a student's subject teacher before September in addition to their independent study.

Full Government guidance and information for parents can be found at

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers>

- We are continuing to provide a place for a critical worker child where it is not appropriate for them to work from home. You can book a place by emailing info@idsall.shropshire.sch.uk or by calling the school office. As previously, evidence of your employment will be collected. An ID badge or your critical worker letter is enough and can be photographed and attached to the email (this will be deleted when we have checked your keyworker status).

Free School meals:

- Parents who are entitled to free school meals can claim a voucher of £15 a week to spend at a well-known supermarket of their choice to support them during this difficult time. Once set up, an 'eCode' will be sent directly to the parent or carers of the student(s) eligible for free school meals via email – they will need to choose an eGift card that they can download. **To apply, parents/carers need to go to Shropshire Council FSM website, the link is: www.shropshire.gov.uk/free-school-meals.**
- We will continue to send free school meal vouchers to students who are entitled to free school meals who are not in school.
- Year 13 and Year 11 free school meal entitlement will end on their official leaving date, which is Friday 26th June.

For both years 10 and 12:

- Uniform is not expected during this period. Please ensure students wear appropriate casual dress.
- A hot meal service during the half an hour lunch period will be available for students in school.

We will be insisting that all students:

- Do not come into school if you, or any members of your household, have any symptoms of coronavirus such as a persistent cough or high temperature, loss of taste or smell, or you are feeling unwell.
- Abide by the social distancing measures in place throughout the school including walking on the left hand side of the corridors.
- Try to keep a 2 metre distance from staff where possible and keep a distance away from others. Use the markers in each classroom, and follow the teachers' instructions carefully.
- Use the hand sanitiser provided regularly.
- Wash your hands frequently.
- Remain at your desk – that will be your station for the day.
- Stick to the areas that we tell you are allowed.
- Follow the traffic light system to minimise the numbers of students in the student bathrooms.

Any student unable to follow the above rules will be asked to leave and remain at home.

Transport:

Unfortunately, this means we will not be able to offer our usual AT Brown transport during this time as less than 100 students can access the school each day, making the running of coaches across the Shropshire and Telford Borough unfeasible. Shropshire Local Authority transport is still running but you will need to book a place with us as soon as possible by emailing info@idsall.shropshire.sch.uk with your child's details. This is only available for students who currently access this service.

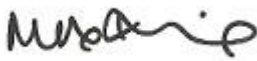
Years 7 to 9:

If your child is in year 7, 8 or 9, it is anticipated that students will not return to school before September. Therefore, no set changes will be taking place until Christmas due the lack of assessments and missed time. Assessments have been adjusted for the coming year to allow us gain a clear picture of where each student is. Online learning will continue to be provided as previously explained.

Year 6 Transition:

We are still awaiting guidance as to how we can accommodate our new year 7 into Idsall. As soon as we are in a position to share details, we will write to all new parents but hopefully, we will be able to do something in July to welcome our new students.

In the meantime keep safe and well.



Ms M King
Headteacher

Please see next pages for the timetables.



YEAR 12

every week from June 15th onward

12A/B1 (single)	12A/B2 (double)	12A/Ch	12A/Ma1	12A/Ma2	12A/So	12A/Re	MONDAY
ALL	ALL	ALL	ALL	ALL	ALL	ALL	
SB	PG	SE	RH	JL	VM	PA	
LUNCH							
SB	PG	IW	JL	RH	VM	RC	

12B/B2 (double)	12B/Gg	12B/Hi	12B/Ph	TUESDAY
ALL	ALL	ALL	ALL	
BF	AV	GS	EV	
LUNCH				
JB	CP	SN	EM	

12C/Bb	12C/Cs	12C/Bi	12B/Ps 12C/Ps	12C/So	WEDNESDAY
ALL	ALL	ALL		ALL	
DT	NB	MM	12B/Ps	VM	
LUNCH					
DT	NB	BW	12C/Ps	VM	

122/Cn	12D/Bi	12D/Ch	12D/Bs	THURSDAY
see GN	ALL	ALL	ALL	
GN	FR	WW	GR	
LUNCH				
GN	MM	CK	GR	

12E/Ec	12E/Ei	12E/En	12E/It	12E/Mf	FRIDAY
ALL	ALL	ALL	ALL	ALL	
MT	SM	CB	EG	KB	
LUNCH					
DT	SM	ND	DR	KB	

