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Dear Parents and Carers

## ST JOHN'S MARLBOROUGH

With two and a half weeks left of the first term, it is timely to write and update you on several items. At the beginning of next week, you will be sent a series of links to information which refers specifically to uniform and basic expectation protocols. We send this information out annually but please do take the time to read this afresh as there will be information that differs from previous years.

### The Pastoral Team at St John's

There have been a number of changes and additions to our Pastoral Team. We have appointed additional Key Workers to support the pastoral priorities we have as a school and community. As before, the different Key Stages are overseen by the following Assistant Vice Principals:

Key Stage 3 – Mr C Paul

Key stage 4 – Mr T Nicholls

Key Stage 5 – Mrs R Haig-Williams

Each Year Group has a Head of Year, an Assistant Head of Year and a Key Worker as shown below:

Year	Head of Year	Assistant Head of Year	Key Worker
7	Mrs N Hawkins	Miss L Sankey	Mrs S Kirkup
8	Mr D Evans	Mrs K Gosling/ Mr D Wilson	Miss V Bowen
9	Mrs S Parry	Miss M Todd	Mrs S Minnitt
10	Mrs C Williams	Mr S Ottaway	Miss Z Henderson
11	Mr K Jefferies	Miss E Staten	Miss J Day
12	Mr M Harrison	Miss T Willis	Mr M Cooper
13	Mr C Luker	Mrs C Pidgeon	Mr M Cooper

St John's is working hard this year to ensure that as much pastoral support as possible is put in place to ensure that we build and restore the resilience of our students as we emerge from the uncertainty of the COVID-19 pandemic. Where possible, please use your child's class tutor as the first point of contact if you have concerns or queries as a great deal of intervention can take place at that level.

### **Remote Learning**

The vast majority of students are back in school and enjoying their face-to-face teaching once again. Where a student is isolating then we do want to remind you of the provision that they can still engage with in terms of our remote learning offer. If they are well enough, they can expect to find the work they are missing on Satchel One (Show My Homework) and we encourage them to engage with this resource so that they do not fall behind unnecessarily. Accessing this resource will help to reduce the amount a student has to catch up once they are able to return to school.

## **Pabulum Catering – current challenges.**

We are working extremely hard with our caterers, to ensure that we provide as comprehensive a food service as possible, particularly during this time of national food supply chain disruption. On a daily basis there now appear to be shortages of some staple products including bread, cheese, chicken and bottled drinks. We will endeavour to work hard to ensure the best possible offer each day, but we need to make you aware that national shortages of food along with some logistical complications make for a very challenging situation.

## **COVID specific communication**

Please continue to use the links on our school [website](#) if you have any specific COVID related concerns or questions. As always, we regularly update this resource, and it is also the place we need students to log their test result. Regular testing is highly recommended by the Government and we continue to ask for your support in making sure students test on Wednesdays and Sundays and record their results on the school website.

As always, please let the school know through the COVID-19 email - [covid-19@stjohns.excalibur.org.uk](mailto:covid-19@stjohns.excalibur.org.uk) if you have any pandemic related concerns we need to be aware of. This is particularly important if your son or daughter has a positive case.

With kind regards



**Mr I Tucker**  
**Principal**

