

Kettlethorpe High School

Standbridge Lane, Sandal, Wakefield WF2 7EL

Headteacher: Mr T Griffiths



2nd February 2022

Dear Parent/Carer and Pupils

The school community continues to deal with high Covid-19 infection rates, which has had a significant impact on the number of teachers we have available to deploy.

This week, we have had 22 members of staff absent from school and have seen 66 pupils report Covid-19 infections. Whilst we have been able to secure external supply staff, we have then been let down with them not attending school.

In school, today, we have been teaching up to 160 pupils as a group in the school hall. Whilst this has gone well, it is not sustainable. We have also felt the impact of the local BT outage on access to the internet as well as having had phone lines down into school.

As a result of continued high rates of infection and the number of staff absent from school, a decision has been made for our **Year 10 pupils** to work remotely, from home, on Thursday 03 and Friday 04 February.

All pupils in Year 10 have access to remote learning and the following timetable has been planned:

Thursday

Period 1	Science: Live lesson
Period 2	Maths: Live lesson
Period 3	English/MFL: Independent learning resources on MS Teams
Period 4	Maths: Live Lesson
Period 5	History/Geography: Independent learning resources on MS Teams

Friday

Period 1	Science: Live lesson
Period 2	Choice Subject: Independent learning resources on MS Teams
Period 3	Choice Subject: Independent learning resources on MS Teams
Period 4	Maths: Live lesson
Period 5	English: Live lesson

We recognise that this is not ideal, and the school will continue to monitor the situation carefully to avoid further disruption. The school is looking to ensure Year 11 pupils are in school to prepare for their examinations, as well as our Year 7 who, being our youngest pupils require more adult supervision when not in school

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

T Griffiths
Headteacher

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Clean our hands more often using soap and water as well as the hand sanitiser found in all classrooms and social spaces.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Have good respiratory hygiene habits: 'Catch it, bin it, kill it'. Use the tissues and bins provided.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Follow instructions from all adults quickly and sensibly.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Not attend school and follow public health advice if we have any symptoms of coronavirus.