

## **Weekly News Update Friday 11 September**

It has been fantastic to return to school and have the students back in the classrooms and learning again. Thank you for your patience and support as we all get used to staggered days and the new systems we have had to put in place to keep everyone safe. We are constantly reviewing these and making sure the school is set-up to support students both in their learning and their well-being. The students are looking smart and have settled back well and I know staff too are enjoying being back in the classroom.

The newly refurbished toilet block is being well used and we have hand sanitizer in all rooms as well as a mobile unit by D tree. I would also suggest that as an additional measure students bring in their own small bottle of hand sanitizer to aid in the smooth operation of the school.

With the new government rules being enforced on Monday we are looking at how we move to more remote parents' meetings. With this in mind we can only have external people on the school site if they have pre-booked meetings. Unfortunately, we have to ask that you do not drop items off at Reception.

### **Head Students**

Congratulations to Ava Peevers and Ben Connolly who have been appointed as Head Students and to our six new Deputy Head Students who are Abi Evans, Nathanael Turner, Grace McKellar, Scarlett Addison, Sonny Woodman and Florence Hickey. I look forward to working with them all this academic year.

### **Post 16 Pathways Events**

Next week we are hosting virtual Post 16 Pathways events to give our Year 11 families the chance to view pre-recorded information and engage in live chats with local post-16 providers. Please check the SLG for full details.

### **Year 7**

We hope our Year 7s have enjoyed their first full week at Stringer and are settling in well. Year 7 parents and carers should have received an email this week with information about the virtual Meet and Greet evening on 21 September. On Monday morning, 14 September, Year 7s be in the hall to have their school photos taken during period 1 & 2.

**Word of the week:** Consistent (adjective) - always behaving or happening in a similar way

Take care and stay safe.

Matt Hillier | Headteacher