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#### Dear families

I want to start this final letter by congratulating the whole school community on making such a success of what has been in many ways a challenging, complex and uncertain year – hopefully one that we will not see repeated. It has demonstrated to me the commitment of all the staff in the school to provide the best possible education in constantly changing circumstances, and the resilience and dedication shown by you as families to support students with home learning and the emotional ups and downs of the past year. But most of all, I have seen the adaptability, steadfastness, kindness and determination of our students – those who have been assessed without exams, those who have had extended periods of isolation or not being in school, those who have adapted to new phases (especially our Year 7s) without the support they would ideally have had. I am hugely proud of them as members of our school community.

I would also like to send best wishes to the students, staff and families who unfortunately are currently self-isolating or unwell and wish them a speedy recovery or end to their isolation.

#### Important information about the return to school in September

This is to support a smooth start and to comply with Department for Education arrangements for Lateral Flow Testing (LFT) in schools, which include a staggered start to the term for all schools.

- Students and families are encouraged to complete twice weekly LFTs during the summer holidays.
- New Year 7 students attending summer school will be offered and LFT on their first day (23<sup>rd</sup> August), so that we can catch any asymptomatic cases before students are in close contact.

### Return to School - September 2021 Testing Arrangements

Date	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12	Year 13
Wednesday	Professional Development Day for staff						
<b>1</b> st							
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Testing	Testing				Testing &	Testing
	&Tutorial	&Tutorial				Tutorial	
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Induction		Testing	Testing	Testing	Induction	
	day		&Tutorial	&Tutorial	&Tutorial	day	

- Students should arrive at the designated time (see below). They will be tested and, subject to a negative test, they will have 1-hour tutorial lesson. Any students who receive a positive LFT will be told and asked to return home their families will be contacted.
- Students will be in school for approximately 1hr 30 mins and then return home.
- During the tutorial period they will work with their tutor to begin the new year well and

receive key information e.g. their timetable.

• Year 7 and 12 families will be contacted separately about arrangements for induction day.

Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Re-Test	Re-Test		Lessons as	_	Re-Test	Re-Test
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Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	normal	Lessons as normal	Re-Test	Re-Test	Re-Test	Lessons as normal	Lessons as normal

- Normal lessons resume on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September students will be briefly withdrawn from individual lessons for LFTs.
- Year 7-11 students must arrive at school by 8.30am.
- Year 12 and 13 students must arrive at school by 11:15am for lessons to start period 3.

### Detailed arrival and departure times for 2nd and 3rd September

02/09/2021	Tutor Group	Arrive	Depart			03/09/2021	03/09/2021 Tutor Group	03/09/2021   Arrive
	7B	8.30am	10.00am					
	7F	8.50am	10.20am					
	7K	9.10am	10.40am					
	7L	9.30am	11.00am				9В	9B 9.30am
	7W	9.50am	11.20am			9F	9F 9.50am	
	8B	10.10am	11.40am				9К	9K 10.10am
	8F	10.30am	12.00pm				9L	9L 10.30am
	Break	10.50am					9W	9W 10.50am
	8K	11.10am	12.40pm				Break	Break 11.10am
	8L	11.30am	1.00pm				10B	10B 11.30am
	8W	11.50am	1.20pm				10F	10F 11.45am
Thursday	12LUP	12.10pm	1.40pm			Friday	Friday 10L	Friday 10L 12.00pm
	12EBO	12.25pm	1.55pm				10K	10K 12.15pm
	Lunch	12.40pm					10W	10W 12.30pm
	12ASO	1.30pm	3.00pm				LUNCH	LUNCH 12.45pm
	12MGU	1.45pm	3.15pm				11B	11B 1.30pm
	12SFU	2.00pm	3.30pm				11F	11F 1.45pm
	12V-ART	2.15pm	3.45pm				11K	11K 2.00pm
	13CEL	2.30pm	3.00pm				11L	11L 2.15pm
	13PKK	2.45pm	3.15pm				11W	11W 2.30pm
	130BA	3.00pm	3.30pm				Catchup	Catchup 2.45pm
	13SPO	3.15pm	3.45pm				Catchup	Catchup 3.00pm
	13ESA	3.30pm	4.00pm				Catchup	Catchup 3.30pm

Students should return to school in full uniform, with their PE kit in their bag to be worn only in PE lessons. Full details can be found at <u>William Ellis School - Uniform</u>

### **Audiobook library launch**

William Ellis is signed on to a free trial of ePlatform until September. This means that you can borrow eBooks and Audiobooks for free! If it proves popular over the summer, we will look into a permanent subscription. Many boys especially enjoy audio books to get in to reading so please encourage your son to log on and have a look.



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Your logins will be your Microsoft teams username/Office 365 (without the @ and beyond.) The password is Library1 which can be changed once you're logged in.

There is also an ePlatform app available on Google, Apple and Windows.

I wish you all a safe, healthy and happy summer and look forward to seeing you all in September.

Yours faithfully

Izzy Jones

Headteacher