



Chellaston Academy

Integrity Care Excellence

Dear parents and carers

Good afternoon from Chellaston Academy.

Covid-19 update

We have seen a rise in cases of Covid-19 amongst students and staff this week, but numbers of cases in school are still relatively low. As you know, we will continue to ask students to wear face coverings throughout the school site until the end of term and we continue to encourage regular testing.

Some schools in the area have needed to move to remote learning for some year groups in recent days, mainly due to a rise in Covid-19 cases and self-isolation rules linked to the Omicron variant. We will do what we can to avoid this at Chellaston Academy, but if we continue to see a rise in cases amongst students and/or school staff, it is not out of question that we may need to take similar action, as we have before. If a local or national decision is taken for schools to move to remote learning before the end of this term, the situation may be taken out of our hands. We will try to provide as much detail and notice of any changes as we can to students, parents and carers, as and when we receive it.

End of term date and timings

As things stand, Autumn Term will end on Wednesday 22nd December. School will end at the earlier time of 2pm and all school transport has been arranged to pick up for this time. We will also serve Christmas dinner on this day and throughout the last week too. These dates and timings are subject to change, pending possible revised Covid-19 guidelines.

Uniform

We would like to remind parents and carers that all students attending the school should be wearing the correct uniform. We would like to draw your attention to the following:

- Black trousers - **not** jeans or tight fitting to the leg
- Black, **knee-length** pleated skirt
- Black school blazer - not a fitted jacket
- Black V neck jumper - no sweatshirts or hoodies. No logos
- Black, formal shoes - no trainers, sports logos, canvas shoes/boots
- White collared shirt, tucked in, buttoned to the neck with school tie
- The correct coloured lanyard must be worn as part of our safeguarding protocols.
- We would also recommend a warm coat as the weather is colder

Our uniform has not changed and most items can be bought from high street retailers and supermarkets.

We now have a uniform recycling box in our reception and would be grateful of any donations of unwanted clean, washed uniform and PE kit items.

We have a growing stock of second hand and nearly new items. Please contact our reception if you would like to come in to school to see these.

We informed parents in May last year that a different coloured PE top would be introduced for September 2022. These will not be available to purchase until June. We are also removing the coloured band from our blazer badge. All existing kit and uniform will still be able to be worn throughout and there will be no obligation whatsoever to purchase new blazers or PE tops. We will keep you informed of these changes and availability of the new stock in due course.

Thank you for your attention and continued support of the school, our staff and our students. Have a restful and relaxing weekend.

Kindest regards,

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