



Bramcote College

A member of The White Hills Park Trust

10th February 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

As we approach the end of half term I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of some key information.

The start of 2022 has continued to bring a number of challenges for our students and teachers and I would like to thank you all for your support and feedback as we work together to navigate through these challenges. Whilst we continue to see both student and teacher COVID related absences I am pleased that we have continued to provide face to face education to our students.

I am delighted that we have been able to continue rehearsals for Shrek the Musical and our students and staff have been working hard to make this a fantastic performance. Tickets are still available for the 22nd, 23rd and 24th March. Order forms can be collected from reception, or please contact the school on 0115 9168900 or email bramcote@whptrust.org to request an order form.

Dates for your diary

A reminder that school finishes at 3.20pm on Friday 11th February and we will return for all students on Monday 21st February. There are currently no government requirements for us to undertake on site Covid testing but we kindly ask that all students complete a Lateral Flow Test on Sunday 20th February before returning to school. All students have been issued with tests.

Please also note that all students will finish at the early time of 2.00pm on Tuesday 22nd February only for staff training (INSET Afternoon). Please see below for a schedule of further INSET times:

INSET Afternoon students finish at 2.00pm:

Wednesday 30th March 2022

Thursday 28th April 2022

Wednesday 25th May 2022

Friday 1st July 2022– Full Day INSET

My Child At School

We encourage all parents and carers to download the MyChildAtSchool app. This allows you to view your child's timetable, attendance, behaviour points and homework, as well as send/receive messages from school. All parents have been issued with a login; if you are having any difficulties with the system, please contact reception.

We have now enabled the 'consents' and 'details' sections of MCAS. On logging in, you will now be able to give or update consent for key aspects of school life and the use of your child's information such as photographs, video and personal details. We are requesting that all parents log in and update their consents and personal details as soon as possible to ensure that we have the correct information. If you would like more information about how we use personal information, please visit <https://url.bramcote.college/gdpr>.

Face Coverings

We extended the use of face coverings in communal areas despite general guidance that their use could be discontinued after the 20th of January. When we return on the 21st of February, we will allow both staff and students to make a personal choice regarding the use of face coverings in school but will not be implementing any whole-school requirement for the use of face coverings. I want to thank you for all your support in upholding our Covid-secure measures. Of course, if we believe that local transmission rates increase rapidly, or we receive new advice, then we may change what we are asking everyone to do.

Parent Forum

Thank you to everyone that has provided feedback on our recent parent survey. I look forward to sharing this with you in due course. Our next Parent Forum will be held on Thursday 3rd March at 6.30pm via Zoom. Please email parents@bramcote.college to register your interest. The focus of the forum will be feedback from the Parent Survey and updates on Summer 2022 Exams.

Kindest regards

Mrs H Gale

Head Teacher