Lowton Church of England High School

12 July 2021

Dear parents and carers

Lowton Church of England High Schoo

Remote learning for all students.

Further to my letter over the weekend, I am writing with an update regarding my decision that all students should stay at home today.

Over the course of the weekend, there have been further positive cases resulting in even more staff and students being required to isolate which has further exacerbated our ability to run the school as normal.

This has made our ability to operate the school safely with the appropriate staff levels and with a high standard of learning, increasingly difficult.

Therefore, I have had to take the difficult but necessary decision to switch all students to remote learning from tomorrow until the end of term next Tuesday.

I hope you understand that I would not do this lightly and this could not be further from how I would like this year to end.

Many of you have contacted school in the last few days concerned about further isolations and to show support in the decisions we have had to take to ensure the safety of your child, your family and staff.

I hope this further step gives you even more reassurance that we are doing all we can to further reduce the risk of further transmission in school.

There will be on-site provision for a selected number of students for whom being in school is necessary. You can register for this provision by accessing the following link:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=LdOOSQm98kiE5idValT7B-c_scM5nqlDrd-cD-rQz_RUREFEWThQM0xHVDFPVE1VRFA3WldPRzE1Ti4u

<u>Please register for a place by 7.00 pm this evening and the school will be in touch to confirm if we are able</u> to cater for your child.

In practical terms it means the following:

- Remote learning will be in place for all students from 8.30 am tomorrow morning (Tuesday).
- Live Form Time will happen at the normal time via MS Teams.
- The planned webinars today for Year 10 and Year 9 will go ahead.
- The end year webinar celebrations for Year 7 and Year 8 will go ahead.
- If you haven't already registered please do so via the links on the next page.

Recorded lessons will be provided **each** day for all subjects. These will be posted on *Satchel One via the calendar* and will come up on students 'To do' list. Your child will need to follow their timetable and submit work to teachers at the end of the lesson through Satchel One.

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Please ensure your child completes the lateral flow test on Wednesday and Sunday and report to the NHS and school. If you or your child are unwell please book a PCR test, regardless of whether your symptoms feature in the 'top three' symptoms. The symptoms of the new variant tend to be different and more wide ranging.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

Yours faithfully,

Kieran Larkin

Headteacher

Key dates

- Year 10 'ready for next year' webinar for all Year 10 students and parents: Tonight: Monday 12 July at 5.00pm.
 Register in advance for this webinar:
 - https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_p-wqKpeJQXqBrWNjaTnktA
- Year 9 'ready for next year' webinar for all Year 9 students and parents: Tonight: Monday 12 July at 5.45pm.
 Register in advance for this webinar:
 https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN x IPSFUdSr-jZvtlWo5eAQ
- Year 8 end of year celebration webinar: Tuesday 13 July at 6.00pm.
 Register in advance for this webinar:
 https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN 4TbYpu-JR7-Api2sr35YMQ
- Year 7 end of year celebration webinar: Thursday 15 July at 6.00pm.
 Register in advance for this webinar:
 https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_LS5R80lfTI2DwIUMEHXQZA

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.