



Midsomer Norton  
Schools Partnership  
The Sixth Form

Sixth Form Update 4.1.21

Dear all,

I hope that all students were able to have a good break over the Christmas holidays and are refreshed for the start of the new term.

You will have seen in the news that there have been some changes to Covid requirements for the return to school. Students are now being asked to wear masks in both classrooms and communal areas, when not eating or drinking. I appreciate this is a big ask for students, but it is a crucial component to try and limit the spread of Covid and to help ensure students and staff are able to remain in school.

We do have some masks on sites but are asking for students to bring in their own masks where possible. We will be keeping the Sixth Form centre on the MSN Sixth site and the Writhlington Sixth Form Centre, including the Balcony, well ventilated by keeping the doors and windows open, where temperatures allow. This means that these areas may be colder than normal so I would suggest that students wear additional layers to keep warm.

Some Year 12 and 13 BTEC students have external exams during January and the government has made it clear that these exams will continue regardless of any changing Covid circumstances, so it is important that students continue to prepare for these. Details of these exams are available on the Portal/ Insight for students information.

Year 12 students return to their Mock exams and details of these are also available for them to check on the Portal/ Insight. We are aware that many students may be impacted by Covid and unable to attend or may've been impacted over the holidays. If this is the case, then please let Ms Oxley-Hughes or Ms Barker-Starling know, so we can make your teachers aware. If students miss an assessment due to illness then this will be rearranged on their return to school.

We are aware that these ever changing circumstances are difficult for the students and want to make sure that they are supported. If any student feels they need any additional support or would like to discuss any issues then please do not hesitate to contact Ms Oxley-Hughes, Ms Barker-Starling or myself.

Kind regards,

K Ward  
Director of Sixth Form