

31 December 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you have all had a peaceful Christmas break and that this letter finds you and your family well and rested.

As you will have seen in the news yesterday, the government have announced changes to the start of the school year for all secondary school children. In this letter, I will outline how this will affect the start of term for your son or daughter.

### **Tuesday 5 January – Friday 8 January**

The government is recommending that pupils remain at home in order to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission, consequently the majority of children will remain at home for the week of Tuesday 5 January to Friday 8 January. This is with the exception of those attending the Critical Worker Education Provision and those taking planned examinations or key assessments.

From Tuesday 5 January students in Years 11 and 13 will receive daily remote teaching via our online platforms, Firefly and Teams. They should follow their normal timetable during school hours, but from home.

Students in Years 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12 will receive daily remote teaching via our online platforms from Wednesday 6 January. They should follow their normal timetable during school hours, but from home.

The school based 'Critical Worker and Vulnerable Children Education Provision' is supervised online learning where pupils will complete the same work as those learning from home. If you are eligible for your son or daughter to attend the school based 'Critical Worker and Vulnerable Children Education Provision' and you would like to register for your child to attend school between Tuesday 5 – Friday 15 January 2021, please complete the following request form: [EDUCATION PROVISION FORM](#) **Please complete this by Monday 4 January at 7am.** You will be contacted via email on Monday 4 January to confirm whether your child has a place on the provision and the arrangements for their attendance.

Vocational exams scheduled for the week of 4 January will go ahead as planned. There are a small number of pupils who will be contacted by Mrs Brown via email to confirm arrangements for these assessments. This includes pupils in Year 12 studying BTEC Sport, Year 11 BTEC Music and Year 13 BTEC Health and Social Care.

**Axholme Road, Wyken, Coventry CV2 5BD**

**T:** 02476 444 822 | **E:** enquiries@caludoncastle.co.uk | **W:** www.caludoncastle.co.uk

**Registered office:** Castle Phoenix Trust, Axholme Road, Wyken, Coventry CV2 5BD | Registered Number 8331385



Headteacher  
**Ms S Kenrick**

*Part of the Castle Phoenix Trust*  
*Leading learning and excelling together*

[www.castlephoenixtrust.org.uk](http://www.castlephoenixtrust.org.uk)



## **Monday 11 January – Friday 15 January**

The majority of children will remain at home for the week of Monday 11 January – Friday 15 January. This is with the exception of those attending the Critical Worker Education Provision and those taking planned examinations or key assessments and Years 11 and 13.

Students in Years 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12 will receive daily remote teaching via our online platforms, Firefly and Teams. They should follow their normal timetable during school hours, but from home.

## **Monday 18 January**

We anticipate that all pupils will return to school on Monday 18 January, subject to government guidelines.

### **Access to online learning**

Pupils learning from home will need to access their online learning daily and during school hours. If this is not possible for your son or daughter, please contact [ITHomeSupport@caludoncastle.co.uk](mailto:ITHomeSupport@caludoncastle.co.uk)

### **COVID testing**

In order to help to keep our children in school and to minimise the risk of COVID transmission, we will be setting up a COVID testing centre at the school. Mass testing is intended to protect everyone in the school community, to break the chains of transmission and to make school a safer place for everyone. Further details about school based COVID testing will be sent home next week.

We are seeking volunteers to help support the testing facility at school. Roles include administrative responsibilities such as recording and logging information or supporting and directing pupils and staff as they self-test. All volunteers will receive training appropriate for the role and will be subject to a DBS check. If you have the capacity to help the school please contact me via [COVID19@caludoncastle.co.uk](mailto:COVID19@caludoncastle.co.uk) with the details of your availability.

Due to the changing national picture, our reopening plans are subject to the latest government guidance. We will keep you updated if any of the guidance changes but, should you require further information, please don't hesitate to contact your son or daughter's year leader in the first instance.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

**Axholme Road, Wyken, Coventry CV2 5BD**

**T:** 02476 444 822 | **E:** [enquiries@caludoncastle.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@caludoncastle.co.uk) | **W:** [www.caludoncastle.co.uk](http://www.caludoncastle.co.uk)

**Registered office:** Castle Phoenix Trust, Axholme Road, Wyken, Coventry CV2 5BD | Registered Number 8331385



Headteacher  
**Ms S Kenrick**

*Part of the Castle Phoenix Trust*  
*Leading learning and excelling together*

[www.castlephoenixtrust.org.uk](http://www.castlephoenixtrust.org.uk)





A BUSINESS AND ENTERPRISE SCHOOL  
**AND LEADERSHIP SPECIALIST**

Sarah Kenrick  
Headteacher

***Axholme Road, Wyken, Coventry CV2 5BD***

**T:** 02476 444 822 | **E:** enquiries@caludoncastle.co.uk | **W:** www.caludoncastle.co.uk

**Registered office:** Castle Phoenix Trust, Axholme Road, Wyken, Coventry CV2 5BD | Registered Number 8331385



Headteacher  
**Ms S Kenrick**

*Part of the Castle Phoenix Trust*  
*Leading learning and excelling together*

[www.castlephoenixtrust.org.uk](http://www.castlephoenixtrust.org.uk)

