



Parent Briefing: Friday 16th October

CONTACTING SCHOOL

Please note our **new** email addresses:

covid19@ca.rklt.co.uk for Covid related matters, questions, or messages.

info@ca.rklt.co.uk for all other matters.

attendance@ca.rklt.co.uk OR **0113 5323810 option 0** (please contact us on the first day of absence before 8:30am detailing symptoms of illness)

COVID-19

Face coverings

A reminder that Face coverings **MUST** be worn by all students during transition times and in communal areas (except for when eating and drinking). As face coverings are now an expected piece of equipment, a reminder that if we have to provide a student with a face covering we will be noting their name and will impose an 'at cost' charge back via their ParentPay account for each time that we have to provide one.

However, it must be said that we are very pleased that the overwhelming majority of students do have a face covering with them – thank you for your support with this.

Daily Expectations

We do have very high expectations and, especially during this current time, we are being very vigilant to ensure that these expectations are met. It has been excellent to see our student community working with staff collectively. However, where this may not be the case, we will log incidents on Class Charts, for example failing to follow our Covid-19 protocols or lateness to lessons, so that Parents are able to work with us and ensure that every child meets these standards.

Attendance and follow ups

We will contact Parents, for example, related to attendance matters and especially with regard Covid-19 related issues. Please ensure that you are clear on when you should and should not send your child into school. Please be aware that we will follow up any instances of reported close contacts with positive cases that we become aware of and



follow the government guidance and definitions of close contacts. This includes within school if we have a positive case within the school community.

Many thanks to all the parents that have worked with us and communicated positively and supportively, for example during Attendance calls. Of course, any inappropriate form of communication, such as speaking aggressively, will not be tolerated and we will respond to any such isolated incidents to protect the wellbeing of all our staff.

All the key information that you need relating to Covid-19 can be found at the end of this Parent Briefing.

OPEN 'EVENING'

You should have received an email this week with the link (also below) for the content that is now live on our Virtual Open Evening page on the website. If you have not yet managed to have a look at it, then please do as there are many excellent contributions from our students. We thank all of those students that contributed in what was an unusual format for this year!

<https://www.crawshawacademy.org.uk/Open-Evening/?skipHAP=y>

YEAR 11

Trial Exams

We have considered the DFE and Joint Council for Qualifications guidance on running examinations and have planned accordingly to be able to host our Year 11 Trial exams in the fortnight beginning Monday 9th November. We will circulate the final timetable to students shortly but have made some changes to support these examinations during the current time. Changes include 1 desk per student for all the examinations, additional spacing between desks (although examination regulations requiring significant spacing anyway) and the ability for students to wear face coverings.

Year 11 Photograph

We will be having the annual Year 11 photograph on Monday 2nd November (the first Monday morning back). Each year group is treated as a bubble and so a Year group photograph can take place; however, if any child is nervous about being in the group then we can still accommodate them, for example, slotting them in at the edge at the last minute.

If you or your child have any concerns or worries over this then please can you contact Mrs Dyson, Year 11 Manager as soon as possible.

Year 11 Destinations and Next Steps

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Work has been continuing in school to help Year 11 plan for their next steps. Careers appointments are underway, and Careers work is going on in Curriculum for Life lessons. Students have been using the Start Profile platform to consider different pathways at post 16.

We are strongly advising all students this year to apply to more than one setting due to the uncertainties around Covid. For example, some of last year's Year 11 who had secured apprenticeships found these were withdrawn and had to make last minute college applications. We advise all students to make a college and apprenticeship application if an apprenticeship is the route they are looking to go down. If your child is focused on A levels or Level 3 BTecs at college, they should apply to two institutions. If there are any questions regarding next steps, please access the wealth of information on our Careers website at <https://www.crawshawacademy.org.uk/Careers-and-Progression/> , or e-mail Mrs Wearing at wearingj@ca.rklt.org.uk

All students have Start profile log ins; the username is their old e-mail address, which is in the format of **name.surname@stu.crawshawacademy.org.uk**, and the password is **Start123**. Please look at this with your child and explore the many modules that will help them settle on a pathway. If there are any issues logging in, please e-mail Mrs Wearing.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Head Student

Voting is currently underway for our Head Student. Each of the Year 11 candidates have produced a short video presentation and campaign to help explain why they should be the one for the job! We have been very impressed with the contributions and look forward to revealing the results soon!

House Captain

We are also receiving applications from Key Stage 4 students to be House Captains. Students have to write a letter, no more than 1 side of A4, to their Head of House explaining why they would make an excellent House Captain.

CAREERS NEWSLETTER

A reminder to take the time to view our Autumn Careers newsletter which has been produced to help identify some of the main developments to date. There is a Personal Development questionnaire embedded in it – **a final call to please complete this questionnaire** and your responses will help to inform our Careers and Personal Development curriculum. Many thanks to those of you who have already done so.



The newsletter can be found here:

<https://sway.office.com/gypdwNYGWWfttkoX?ref=Link&loc=play>

LEARNING

Year 7 Testing: Core Subjects

Next week Year 7 students will be undertaking a series of on-line baseline tests for Y7 in English, Maths and Science. Students should not be unduly worried about these tests and there is no expectation for any additional preparation. Students have been requested to ensure that they bring their own headphones for these tests though. These tests will be used to identify strengths and any possible learning gaps to enable staff to plan effectively.

Remote Learning: Updated Guidance and Expectations

We have updated our Remote Learning and this can be found for reference on our Covid-19 webpage:

https://www.crawshawacademy.org.uk/Covid19/Remote_Learning_Expectations_phase_1.pdf It outlines our approach to Remote Learning should any student(s) have to work from home for a period of time.

ARBOR PARENT PORTAL / DATA CHECKING

Years 7 and 8 Parents/Carers who did not already have an Arbor account should have received a letter this week outlining how to access the Arbor Parent Portal and then how to download the Arbor App.

Other parents should have received information on how to check your Arbor account and reset your password if required.

The link to access your Arbor Parent account (should you not have the App) is:

<https://crawshaw-academy.uk.arbor.sc/?/home-ui/index>

Please can all Parents / Carers ensure that contact information is checked and update alongside any Parental Consents that must be collected, by Friday 23rd October.

For any questions or issues you may have, please contact school via info@ca.rklt.co.uk

It is extremely important that ALL students have at least one Primary Guardian (but ideally both) with access to the Arbor Parent Portal / App.

Yours sincerely,

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COVID-19 PROCESSES and CONCERNS

You will be aware that we cannot accept any child into school who has any one of the symptoms of Covid-19. As a reminder, these symptoms are listed below. **If your child has one or more of these symptoms, you MUST NOT send them into school** and you must self-isolate as a household (see further below for more details).

For any absence you must contact school via phone: **0113 5323810 option 0** or email: attendance@ca.rklt.co.uk

Our school staff will be asking for the reason for absence and, in the case of symptoms that may relate to Covid, they will remind you of the need to self-isolate and **seek a test. Your child (and any siblings) will not be allowed to come back into school until you have received a NEGATIVE test result.** If the test is inconclusive then you must organise another test.

The most common symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are recent onset of:

- **a high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you have noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

If your child develops symptoms at school, they will be sent home. A parent will be contacted and arrangements must be made for the child (and any siblings) to go home and the household to self-isolate.

Please note **that should a test come back as a POSITIVE outcome you MUST contact school ASAP.** This can be via the attendance number, attendance email or the Covid email address: covid19@ca.rklt.co.uk . If contacting via email please ensure you give full details including the child's name and form group along with any siblings who attend Crawshaw.

In the event of the report of a positive test result, there are set procedures and steps that we will take. The first of these is to contact the DfE / Public Health England. They will discuss the situation with us and decide on how to proceed; the specifics of this will depend on the nature of the situation. Parents will be informed, as appropriate, on any



actions that may result in any student(s) requiring to be sent home to self-isolate. Should this be necessary we will provide more detailed guidance at the time.

What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID 19

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, they must remain at home for at least 10 days from the date when their symptoms appeared. Your child should also be tested for Covid 19 ideally within the first five days of having symptoms, this can be arranged via <https://www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test> or by calling 119.

All other household members who remain well, must stay at home and not leave the house for 14 days. This includes anyone in your 'Support Bubble'.

Further information is available at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

The 14-day period starts from the day when the first person in the house became ill.

Household members must not go to work, school or public areas and exercise must be taken within the home.



Can my child go to school today?



Do they have any COVID Symptoms?

- a **high temperature** - this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a **new, continuous cough** - this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
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Yes

They have a COVID symptom

Self Isolate and Book a COVID Test

Book the test online or call 119

All members of the household should stay at home until the test result is known.*

*Visit [gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk) for advice on when to stop isolating and return to school after a positive or negative test.

No

They do not have a COVID symptom

Do they have diarrhoea or vomiting?

No

They do not have diarrhoea or vomiting

Yes

They do have diarrhoea or vomiting

Do they feel unwell?

It is important that parents keep children at home when they are unwell

No

They do not feel unwell

Yes

They feel unwell

Send to school

So long as your child feels well, has not been told to self-isolate and there are no other household members with COVID symptoms, it is OK for them to attend school.

Keep at home

- Remain off school until they feel well enough to return. Seek medical help from a GP if needed (or 111 if your surgery is closed).
- Remain off school until at least 48 hours after the last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting. A COVID test is not required for diarrhoea and vomiting without the other symptoms above.