



## CARLETON HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

### **Re: Headteacher End of Term Update.**

It has been a real pleasure to welcome students back to Carleton High School this term. With attendance well above the national average and superb engagement in lessons, it is clear how much students have valued being back in classrooms with their friends.

Even with the system of controls still in place, everyone just appears happy to be back. I find myself smiling under my mask when I see students' enthusiasm in lessons, and hear them talking to their friends at social times. This is how school should be and this is what we have missed, we have lots to look forward to now our school community is back together.

### **Testing**

Last week we completed the third round of lateral flow tests for all students who wished to participate. We conducted over 1500 tests in total and all returned negative results. Students have now been able to collect self-test kits for use at home, and should continue to test themselves twice per week over the Easter period.

The organisation and administration of the testing operation has been complex and I would like to thank all members of staff who have contributed to the process.

Parents/carers and support bubbles of school children can now collect tests from Wakefield Community Collection sites. To book a collection slot please visit <http://wakefieldcommunitycollect.eventbrite.com>.

### **Contact Tracing**

Should your child test positive for Covid-19 during the Easter break, it is essential you email school on [admin@carletonhigh.patrust.org.uk](mailto:admin@carletonhigh.patrust.org.uk) and a member of staff will get back to you to gather more information. This will allow us to contact any students who need to self-isolate as a result of being in direct contact with a student who has tested positive.

### **Year 11 Examinations and Centre Assessment Grades**

Last week I wrote to parents of students in year 11 to outline plans for the next few months, including details of the final end of term assessments, which will support teachers in determining Centre Assessed Grades. You can read this letter via this link:

#### [Awarding of GCSE/Vocational Grades](#)

Since the announcement, we have been planning and focussing on revision for the final end of year assessments. Year 11 students have been given an information booklet containing the dates of the exam window, summary of each exam they will take including key topics to revise, and a blank revision schedule for them to populate. This is to support students with their revision over the Easter holidays and up to

completing their final end of term assessments. We recommend that students spend a **minimum of two hours per day** from now, revising and preparing for their assessments.

**And Finally,**

It was a year ago last Friday that students left school for the first lockdown, unsure as to when we would be able to welcome them back. Whilst we are still living and working differently, we reflect on what we have learnt and how our experience will help us to emerge from the pandemic in an even stronger position.

I would like to thank all members of our community; our students, parents, staff and Trust colleagues for their efforts and determination to ensure that Carleton High School remains a special place to be.

All that remains to say is have a wonderful Easter, and we look forward to seeing our students again, on Monday, 12 April.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Cross'.

**Mrs J Cross**  
**Headteacher**