

## **Dear Parent and Carers**

Thank you for your continued support in maintaining the Covid-19 adaptations in school.

From Monday 17th May, in line with step 3 of the Government's roadmap, face coverings will no longer be recommended by the Department for Education for students or staff in classrooms.

The DfE continue to recommend that face coverings be worn by staff and visitors in situations outside of classrooms where social distancing is not possible, for example when moving around corridors and in communal areas. Furthermore, we are following the advice of North Yorkshire County Council and in line with other secondary schools in our locality, asking that students still wear face coverings when indoors in corridors and communal areas. This is primarily because of the potential mixing of bubbles as students move around the site and is a requirement of the risk assessment that we are operating under.

Other safety measures outlined in our Covid-19 risk assessment remain in place; we will communicate any changes with you as and when they occur.

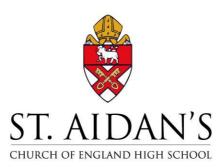
Also from Monday 17th May we are able to lift some of the restrictions that have been imposed on the catering facilities due to COVID-19 meaning that we will be able to sell snacks at breaktimes from the separate year group areas. Years 7 and 8 will continue to use the main hall and Years 9 and 10 will use the Restaurant at break. Breaktimes will continue to be staggered with Years 7 and 9 at 10.10 and Years 8 and 10 at 11.10 so that the year groups do not mix at this time.

Lunchtimes will remain the same for Years 7 and 8 and will continue to be served in the main hall with Year 7 at 12.30 and Year 8 at 1.00 pm. They will continue to be offered a meal deal which will include a hot meal or sandwich, a cake a piece of fruit with some water.

Year 9 will use the Restaurant until 1.00 pm where they will no longer be offered the meal deal but instead will be able to purchase hot main courses or sandwiches, and other items from the menu, separately, as was the case before COVID.

Year 10 will now have use of the Hatcher Room and they will also be able to purchase items separately; hot meals, hot wraps, soup etc. They will no longer be offered the meal deal. Forms 10C,D,E,G and H will go for lunch at 12.30 and 10P,S,W,Y at 12.50pm for the first week.





Subsequently, we will rotate the sittings on a weekly basis. Year 12 will have access to the Sixth Form Café throughout the day.

Any Year 11 students attending for voluntary lessons or assessments will be catered for in the Restaurant. The arrangements for each year group will be explained to students on Monday morning.

These changes will bring catering closer to the pre-COVID service, and we hope that students enjoy the wider variety on offer.

With very best wishes,

Chris Burt Headteacher

