

Dear Parents/Carers

I cannot believe how close we now are to the end of term. It has been great having Year 10 students in and we are really looking forward to having Year 12 (soon to be 13) in school next week and welcoming in our new Sixth Form students (although this will be remotely at this stage). We are now busy planning summer school, transition and planning for September. Further detail of these plans will be sent out on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July bulletin, but I want to reassure you that we are following DfE guidance and best practice and doing everything we can to ensure students and staff safety. However, we do need to be prepared for the fact that school will not be “normal”. There will be more restrictions on students, and they will need to show a sense of responsibility for their own and others safety. We know you will work with us to support your child in this new way of working on their return. We will send out our final Parent Bulletin on Monday 20 July. This will include information about the start of next term.

Stay safe

Mrs C Horrocks  
Principal

## Safeguarding

At a time when many of us are using the internet much more frequently, it's hugely important we help our children to understand what they should and shouldn't be sharing online. Coronavirus scams are on the rise and fraudsters will look to access personal details in order to commit identity theft, bank fraud and damage individual's online reputation. That's why national Online Safety has created this useful guide to help parents and carers understand exactly what they can do to help protect their children's personal data online. The link to the following parent/carer guide is

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/hub/view/guide/protecting-personal-data>

**What parents need to know about PROTECTING PERSONAL DATA**

**EVERY DETAIL IS KEY**

**SOCIAL MEDIA VISIBILITY**

**DANGEROUS GAMES**

**IMPOSTERS AND PHISHING ATTACKS**

**THE RISKS OF PASSWORD SHARING**

**National Online Safety**

**Safety Tips for Parents & Carers**

**LOOK OUT FOR LEAKS**

**KEEP DATA GUARDED**

**DON'T OVERSHARE ON SOCIAL MEDIA**

**BE WARAY OF SHARED NETWORKS/SYSTEMS**

**PLAY SAFE IN ONLINE GAMES**

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On Friday 10 July at 10am, the Prime Minister gave an address to all school leavers and you and your Year 11 or Year 13 child can watch the short broadcast via the following link.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R-WsDuO6Gmw>

## SEND

There is still lots of work being completed by our SEN students and that is in largely down to the support that you, as parents, have been providing for your children and as a school we are extremely grateful for that. Attendance of online lessons and wellbeing sessions is good and we hope that the young people are finding that virtual contact beneficial, for both their academic learning and their mental health and wellbeing.

The link below will take you to a range of free arts based resources, not just for SEND students, but are relevant to all adults and young people who have an interest in music, art and poetry. -

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

## Uniform

Please see uniform letter attached we sent out to all parents.

## Year 12 Induction Week

As mentioned previously the new Year 12 (Year 11 students moving into Sixth Form) are completing their induction online this year with a view to getting prepared for September. The induction will be conducted using Microsoft Teams and students will have received a number of invites to the meetings already. Please find below the schedule of online Teams meetings as part of the induction programme:

- Mr Dainty's Introduction starts at **10.00am**
- The AM session starts at 10.30am
- The PM session starts at 2.30pm
- The meetings will last for approximately 30 minutes.

DATE	SESSION	SUBJECT	TEACHER
Tuesday 14 July	AM	Introduction	Mr Dainty
	PM	French	Mrs Morris
Wednesday 15 July	AM	Biology English Lit Media Physics	Miss McGill Mrs Rawson Ms Lucas Mr Lister
	PM	Business Geography Psychology Applied Science Further Maths	Mrs Edgar Miss <del>Boneham</del> Mrs Gillon Miss McGill Mr <del>Eatough</del>
Thursday 16 July	AM	Drama Maths English Lang German	Mr Brownhill Mrs Lindley Mrs Barstow Mrs Bryant
	PM	Art & Design History PE Spanish	Miss Hobbs Mrs <del>Cadwell</del> Mr Bright Mrs Morris
Friday 17 July	AM	H&S Care Music Photography	Miss McGill Mrs Cowan Mr Brownhill
	PM	Criminology IT Chemistry	Ms Ager Mr <del>Eatough</del> Miss Young

### Year 13 'in school' sessions

'In school' sessions for Year 12 students moving into Year 13 will take place next weeks (14-17 July). On Monday 6 July you should have received an email from Lee Dainty confirming the arrangements. Please find below the timetable for reference.

DATE	SESSION	SUBJECT	TEACHER	ROOM
Tuesday 14 July	AM	English Lit Physics	Ms Withall Mr Lister	Hums 2 Sc4
	PM	Geography Biology Economics	Miss Boneham Miss McGill Mrs Edgar	Hums 1 Sc4 Hums 2
Wednesday 15 July	AM	PE Psychology Sociology Maths	Mr Bright Mrs Gillon Mrs Reid Mrs Lindley	Hums 1 Hums 2 Hums 3 Hums 4
	PM	Drama German	Mr Brownhill Mrs Bryant	Hums 1 Hums 3
Thursday 16 July	AM	Spanish	Mrs Morris	Hums 1
	PM	Chemistry Dance English Lang	Miss Young/Mrs Smith Mr Brownhill Mrs Barstow	Sc4 Hums 1 Hums 2
Friday 17 July	AM			
	PM	H&S Care Music Photography History	Miss McGill Mr Trippett Mr Brownhill Mr Greenwood	SC4 Hums 1 Hums 2 Hums 3

## Staff Leaving

We are bidding a fond farewell to the following members of staff at the end of this term for pastures new. They depart with our sincere gratitude and very best wishes for the future.

- Candice Bonser – Teacher of Art
- Andrew Creegan – Teacher of Modern Languages
- Cath Prince – Teacher of Expressive Arts and Humanities
- Cath Kelly – Teacher of Science
- Sam Smith – Teacher of Science
- Fran Thorley – Teacher of English
- Rupert Trippett – Teacher of Music
- Pat Williams – Assistant SENCO

## Careers

Both students and parents of Year 10 and Year 11 are welcome to join the first of our Careers Information Webinars. With a number of options and choices available, it is more vital than ever that both students and parents are well informed on the options available after Year 11. Our first webinar will focus on the world of apprenticeships and will be delivered by guests, the Apprenticeship Support and Knowledge team (ASK).

The event will take place on the 14<sup>th</sup> July at 6pm and the link is below. It would be great to see as many parents and students there as possible.

[https://teams.microsoft.com/join/19%3ameeting\\_MzE5NDc1ZGUtMjkwNC00ZmQ5LTkxYWYtOWU0NWE2YmVmMDBi%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22id%22%3a%223e6a5b5c-add0-4fa6-b653-97ed1e5e76b1%22%2c%22oid%22%3a%22ff18f76b-4185-4bd9-98cd-3d7738e594c0%22%2c%22isBroadcastMeeting%22%3atrue%7d](https://teams.microsoft.com/join/19%3ameeting_MzE5NDc1ZGUtMjkwNC00ZmQ5LTkxYWYtOWU0NWE2YmVmMDBi%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22id%22%3a%223e6a5b5c-add0-4fa6-b653-97ed1e5e76b1%22%2c%22oid%22%3a%22ff18f76b-4185-4bd9-98cd-3d7738e594c0%22%2c%22isBroadcastMeeting%22%3atrue%7d)

## Year 8 options

Year 8 option classes have now been finalised and are with Faculty Leaders for their input. At the moment, there are 32 students who have been allocated one of their reserve choices. There were several subjects that were over-subscribed (Engineering, Food Technology and GCSE PE) which has caused the majority of allocation to reserve options. We have reviewed students' options to ensure that they are broad and balanced and are not narrowing their future choices by specialising too much in specific subject areas. You will be receiving an email next week with details of the options allocated to students. We do have a process in case students want to change options and this will be detailed in the email. There are a very small number of students that we haven't been able to contact – if this is your child please get in touch with our Data Manager Mrs Henderson via [hendersonp@elizabethan.notts.sch.uk](mailto:hendersonp@elizabethan.notts.sch.uk) to discuss your child's preferred options.

## Covid-19

Please ensure you are following government and public health advice on social distancing.

- **Guidance on Staying at Home:**  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/full-guidance-on-staying-at-home-and-away-from-others>
- **Guidance on Social Distancing:**  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-on-social-distancing-and-for-vulnerable-people/guidance-on-social-distancing-for-everyone-in-the-uk-and-protecting-older-people-and-vulnerable-adults>
- **Guidance on Vulnerable Children and Young People:**  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-on-vulnerable-children-and-young-people>
- **Guidance on Isolation for Residential Education Settings:**  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-on-isolation-for-residential-educational-settings>
- **Guidance for Schools about Temporarily Closing:**  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-school-closures>
- **Q&A for Parents and Carers (updated):** <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers>
- **Cancellation of GCSEs, AS and A levels in 2020 Q&A:**  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-cancellation-of-gcses-as-and-a-levels-in-2020>
- **Free School Meals Guidance (updated):** <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-free-school-meals-guidance>



9<sup>th</sup> July 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to thank you for helping the academy to provide a continuous education to our students - your children - in the time since our partial closure.

The Governors and I recognise that the Covid-19 crisis has brought major changes to most parents' work lives and other responsibilities and that school and childcare closures have meant that children are at home and requiring care and education for several hours a day.

While the academy has continued to support your children by providing live lessons, online work and by delivering paper based work to students as required, I recognise the value of your input in ensuring students engage with this work - as a parent myself I am very much aware that this is not always easy.

So this note from me, representing all the Governors at the Elizabethan, is to thank you and the academy staff for all the effort you have put in up to now, and continue to put in.

You will know that while the Government is saying they want all children back at school in September, they are currently a little vague on the detail! However, I want to reassure you that the academy staff and the Governors are working together to make sure that the Elizabethan will be a safe place for your child to attend in the new academic year, as it has been for students who have attended throughout the crisis, and we look forward to welcoming the rest of our students back soon.

We recognise that many parents will currently be facing financial uncertainty, and if you are experiencing any financial difficulties in purchasing academy uniform, could I please ask you contact our Chief Finance Officer, Mr d'Albuquerque, at [dAlbuquerqueC@elizabethan.notts.sch.uk](mailto:dAlbuquerqueC@elizabethan.notts.sch.uk) to discuss your situation and to enable us to provide further support where appropriate. These discussions will of course remain strictly confidential.

Finally, as Governors, we have this week reviewed and ratified a temporary change to our uniform arrangements as part of the academy's COVID response. We agreed that the need to use our preferred supplier for the purchase of clothes, other than blazer and kilts should be relaxed, so that you may purchase boys and girls trousers from alternative sources in the same way as shirts/blouses, socks and shoes should you so desire. As usual, the tie can be purchased from the academy directly or Trutex. Our supplier has also agreed to supply the kilts at a reduced price and to refund the difference in cost for any orders placed in June at the previous price. If you have not yet received this refund it will follow shortly.

In addition we have also made a temporary amendment to the PE kit to provide our parents with further opportunity for cost savings if needed, details of which are attached. Our branded items of PE kit continue to be available for those who would prefer.

The academy has a planned uniform review taking place in the autumn term whereby we shall be seeking feedback from our parents, students and other stakeholders. Further details will follow in the new academic year.

Once again, thank you for your support at this time.

Yours sincerely

Dr Derek Cheetham  
Chair of Governors

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## The Elizabethan Academy Uniform July 2020 Covid-19 Update (Pending Planned Uniform Review Autumn 2020)

Our uniform is available from:

### Trutex Direct

Order online at [www.trutexdirect.com](http://www.trutexdirect.com)

Order by phone 01200 421206

Our uniform comprises of:

### Boys Uniform/Suit

- **Grey Jacket with academy badge**  
Available from Trutex
- **Grey suit trousers**  
Matching suit trousers available from Trutex or other retailers providing they are formal/smart, pleat front and graphite grey to match suit jacket
- **Grey Tartan School Tie**  
Available from Trutex or school
- **White long sleeved/short sleeved shirts**  
Available from various retail stockists
- **Black Socks**
- **Boys' Black Shoes**  
Shoes must be formal, plain, black and suitable for school and wet weather. Logos and sports motifs are not allowed.



### Girls Uniform/Suit

- **Grey Jacket with academy badge**  
Available from Trutex
- **Grey Tartan Kilt - which must sit on or below the knee**  
Available from Trutex
- **Grey suit trousers**  
Matching suit trousers available from Trutex or other retailers providing they are formal/smart, flat front and graphite grey to match suit jacket
- **Grey Tartan School Tie**  
Available from Trutex or school
- **White short/long sleeved blouse** (reversed collared blouse may also be worn with the kilt)  
Available from various retail stockists
- For wear with kilt: **black tights** or white, grey or black **ankle socks**



- **Girls' Black Shoes**

Shoes must be formal, plain, black and suitable for school and wet weather. Logos and sports motifs are not allowed. For health and safety reasons, the following are also not allowed: stilettoes or high heels, canvas shoes, open toed shoes or sandals.



#### **PE KIT**

**Outdoor** Reversible Rugby Top (Grey/Teal)  
Grey/Teal Shorts  
Grey/Teal T-Shirt  
Grey/Teal Sweatshirt (short zip) (Optional)  
Grey/Teal Socks  
Black Base Layer top and bottoms (Optional winter wear)  
Black Jogging Bottoms (Optional winter wear)  
Football Boots (for safety in outdoor winter work)

**Indoor** Grey/Teal T-Shirt  
Grey/Teal Shorts  
Grey/Teal Socks

**All Year** Training Shoes (Compulsory)

#### **Alternative PE Kit to reflect the difficulties experienced by families as a result of Covid-19**

- Plain black or navy sweatshirt (no hoodies)
- Plain black or navy tracksuit/jogging bottoms

**All items of school uniform clothing and PE kit should be clearly marked with the owner's name.**

#### **JEWELLERY/BODY PIERCING/HAIRSTYLES**

Students are allowed a wristwatch, and one pair of ear-rings (studs only). Rings, bracelets and necklaces are not permitted.

Students are allowed to wear discreet make-up, but any student heavily made-up will be told to remove it. They should not wear gel nails, acrylic nails or nail varnish.

Body/facial piercing is not acceptable.

Extreme hairstyles are not allowed: this includes patterns cut into hair, and colours other than those that could be natural (ie no reds, blues, greens etc). Hair length should be a minimum of grade 2.

Our uniform requirement is typical of most secondary schools across the UK, it is cost-effective and some items are available at various retail outlets. Home and school must continue to give the same consistent message to our young people by insisting they wear their full uniform correctly and with a sense of pride.

We firmly believe that smart students demonstrate a good work ethic that contributes to effective learning.