

5 November 2021

Dear parents / carers,

Thank you for your patience as we have worked to assess the damage done by the significant flooding. I am delighted to be able to let you know that we are able to re-open to all students in all year groups on Monday.

There will be significant re-rooming of Art and D&T classes next week. However, we will ensure that we communicate room changes clearly to students and I can reassure you that your child will receive the full curriculum from their usual teachers. In addition, two sets of toilets will be out of use, but we have checked to ensure that there remains adequate toilet and handwashing facilities. Some staff offices and one music practice room are also out of use, whilst repairs are carried out. We are hopeful that any necessary repairs will be carried out within a week but, until then, we are determined to keep any disruption to students' routines and timetables to an absolute minimum.

Given the loss of a number of teaching spaces, Sixth Formers need only attend for their timetabled tutor periods and lessons. For the rest of their timetable, they can work in the Diner or study at home.

Students are strongly encouraged to bring a coat. To allow us to make the necessary repairs, students will not be allowed to stay in corridors and classrooms at break and lunchtime, as they usually are. They will instead be encouraged to go outside. If they do wish to be inside, they may stay in the Diner, Main Hall, the library or the Hub.

We know how important it is that young people have as much stability and normality as possible, after such a disrupted couple of years. I am incredibly grateful for the work our staff team has done here over the past few hours; our teaching and support staff have been delivering online learning where possible, whilst also clearing up classrooms and corridors. We have also had wonderful support from Two Counties Trust and external contractors, throughout the day and over the weekend, to ensure that the building is clean and safe for both staff and students.

We look forward to welcoming all students back as usual at 8.30am on Monday.

Thank you again for your support,



Mr D Hobbs
Headteacher