COVID-19 Arrangements

Key Actions:

• Our student and staff timetable will initially be slightly altered to support year group 'bubbles', where pupils will remain with their class for all lessons as well as during recreation and lunch times.

We will:

- make every effort possible to keep all pupils in year group 'bubbles'.
- promote 2m distancing where staff teach more than one bubble.
- minimise contact between individuals outside the year group 'bubbles' by remaining in one classroom for the majority of lessons and thus reducing movement around the school.
- allocate each bubble their own designated practical area to allow the delivery of a broad curriculum.
- supervise staggered entry/exit procedures where these need to be used by more than one bubble.
- allocate each group specific handwashing/sanitising areas.
- promote good hygiene standards by cleaning hands more often than usual and on arrival and before and after eating, and after sneezing, coughing washing hands thoroughly for 20 seconds with soap and water and or use of approved hand rub or sanitiser.
- promote the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach with tissues widely distributed throughout the school.
- clean frequently touched surfaces often using detergents and antibacterial wipes.

Use of communal areas

Where possible we will:

- limit class changeover and stagger morning break times to reduce the level of circulation within school.
- display 2m markers on the corridor walls as a guide to support social distancing.
- ensure that toilets do not become crowded by limiting the number who use the toilet facilities at one time.
- create designated outdoor recreation zones for each year group 'bubble'.
- only allow one year group 'bubble' to use the dining hall facilities (Y8) with other bubbles eating in their designated rooms.
- close the school library and cloakroom areas until further notice.
- ensure groups keep their belongings (coats & bags) with them in their allocated classrooms.

Break and Lunchtime Arrangements

- Each group will be allocated an outdoor zone on our extensive grounds and will be supervised staff.
- Breaktimes will be staggered to avoid one year group 'bubble' mixing with another on route outdoor and so that movement around the school at the same time is minimised.
- A small amount of play equipment will be provided for sole use by each year group 'bubble'.
- Allocated playground equipment (e.g. footballs) will be cleaned after recreational use.

