

'Where excellence is a habit'

30th November 2021

Dear Parent / Carer,

We are currently planning for our return to school in January. School will close for the Christmas holiday at **12 noon on Friday 17th December 2021**. Year 12 and 13 will return on **Tuesday 4th January 2022**. Year 7 – 11 will return on **Wednesday 5th January 2022**.

You may be aware that the Government has asked school to carry out one LFT test followed by a home test 3 days later. Please note this is a new round of testing therefore all staff and parents need to re sign up, even if you have been involved in the testing programme this year.

As a reminder, up to one third of people who have coronavirus experience no symptoms. By testing we will help to stop the virus spread and help to keep our school open as safely as possible. **The test is voluntary, but we would encourage everyone to take it.**

To participate in the testing process in January and subsequent home testing that we expect you to be involved in please complete a survey by **12 noon Friday 10th December 2021** by clicking on its link - <u>https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/T29BPZY</u>. Our privacy policy can be viewed here: <u>School</u> Policies - St. Aidan's Catholic Academy St. Aidan's Catholic Academy (staidanscatholicacademy.co.uk)

For those who consent, we will be in touch with a time to attend school on Tuesday 4th January 2022 for the LFT test.

Yours faithfully,

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