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Dear Parents/Guardians

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We are very much looking forward to seeing all students being back in the Academy from **Monday 7th September**. We just wanted to remind you of the arrangements for the 1st day of term, as well as some key important information as we head towards the end of our summer holidays.

The start times for **Monday 7th September** only are as follows:

Year 7	Start 8:25am - Finish 2:30pm
Year 8	Start 9:30am - Finish 2:50pm
Year 9	Start 9:15am - Finish 2:55pm
Year 10	Start 9:00am - Finish 2:55pm
Year 11	Start 8:45am - Finish 3:00pm

These timings are for the **first day only**; this will enable us to talk to the students and explain all the new procedures and stagger the finish to avoid overcrowding on the road. Students are encouraged to arrive as near to their start time as possible.

Start times from 8th September onwards

Year 7 & 8	8.25am
Year 9 & 10	8.35am
Year 11	8.45am

Finish times from 8th September onwards

Year 7 & 8	2.50pm
Year 9 & 10	2.55pm
Year 11	3.00pm

BAY EDUCATION TRUST

Registration Number: 09299975

Entrances Borough Road (these will be pointed out on the first day).

Main gate (Year 8, 10, 11)

English Media Block (Year 7 & 9)

Entrances Waterleat Road (these will be pointed out on the first day).

Kitchen ramp (Year 7 & 9)

Car park (Year 8, 10, 11)

1. You must ensure that if anyone in your household has COVID-19 symptoms, your child does NOT attend school. Any child or staff member who develops symptoms in the school day will be sent home immediately. You must follow the government guidance 'Stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection'. If anyone in your household, or your child, tests positive for COVID-19 you MUST inform your school.
2. Your child will be expected to follow strict behaviour rules relating to physical contact with other pupils and keeping their hands clean. Students will be expected to (or be taken to) wash their hands regularly and use hand sanitiser.
3. The government advice is quite clear that the wearing of a face covering is, at present, not necessary in schools - however, if a student wishes to wear a face mask then this is totally acceptable. If a face covering is used on public transport to get to school, it should be removed on arrival. The government has advised walking or cycling to school wherever possible to reduce the use of public transport.
4. The government has stipulated that attendance at school will be compulsory from September.
5. School lunches will be available in September. Each year group will be having a staggered lunch. Students in Year 7 & 8 will be having the earlier lunch times, so it would be useful if these students could bring in a snack for later in the morning, just in case they need it. Students eligible for free school meals will return to having their lunch at school and will no longer receive lunch vouchers.

We understand that some of you and your children will be anxious about returning in September. Please be reassured that we are taking exceptional measures to make sure that our schools are as safe as they can be. There will be additional emotional and wellbeing support for any pupils that need it. We will also be providing additional opportunities to support learning where this is required.

Thank you for your ongoing support over the last few months. If you have any worries or concerns, please do contact us by phone or email and we will get back to you.

Yours faithfully
Mark Smith
Head of School