

## Pendle Community High School & College

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## **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION RE SEPTEMBER REOPENING**

14th July 2020

## Dear parents and carers

You will have already received information about your child's form bubbles for September. The majority of teaching and learning will take place in the bubbles, led by staff who will be specifically dedicated to that group. It should be noted that all bubbles will also be part of wider zones (i.e. 3-4 bubbles in a similar geographical location within the school), which will be used for the sharing of facilities and whole school resources e.g. toilets, playground or access to the hall, college social area or refectory (KS4-5).

In order to maximise the success of our slightly new way of working in September, we are going to phase the year groups back to school / college over the first week of term as follows:

Year groups	Starting Date
Years 7 and 12	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September onwards
Years 9, 11 and 14	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September onwards
Years 8, 10 and 13	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> September onwards

If your child is eligible for transport and you have not indicated otherwise, we will inform LCC about this. LCC transport team intend to return to the services that operated prior to Covid-19, as far as they are able, but this may need adapting initially. It should be noted that it will not be possible to transport children in their form bubbles, but buses will be scheduled (as usual) according to where you live.

If your child is not eligible for transport or you have offered to transport your child to school yourself for the time being, please ensure when you arrive that you keep your child in the car or stood with yourself socially distanced from other people if you have walked. Your child will be invited into school once staff are ready to safely receive them.

All students will access school and college via the sensory garden entrance unless specifically directed otherwise.

To increase flexibility for dropping off or picking up students over the first few weeks arrival can be between **8.45-9:15am** and departure between **2.45-3.15pm**. This is to enable us to manage students as safely as possible in and out of school.

On arrival students will have their temperatures taken (using a remote thermometer) and be asked to wash their hands. They will then be collected by a designated member of staff and go directly to their form bubble.













In order to further reduce any possible cross contamination, students will be requested to bring:

- Lunch money (please note the cost of a school lunch is £2.30 per day from September) or a packed lunch (to be eaten with their respective bubbles)
- A named water bottle that is filled up at home (but can be refilled at school).
- A named pencil case and pencils etc
- Pumps and change of clothes for PE (all named).
- All **medication** required whilst in school.

It is essential that students must <u>not</u> come into school or college if they or any member of your family is showing any symptoms of Covid-19. Similarly, any child who becomes unwell at school will be sent home immediately, and parents of all students in that specific bubble will be informed that their child will also need collecting. Where possible, we will do our best to keep all other bubbles operating as normal.

Finally, just to note that if any Government or LCC's guidance changes or there is another second spike in Covid-19 infections we may need to revise our offer. Hopefully this will not be the case, and we look forward to welcoming your child back to PCHSC in September.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Chris Lingard – Headteacher

Ms Debra Grogan – Headteacher designate











