## QUEEN ELIZABETH'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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Dear Year 11 and Year 12 Students, Parents and Carers

## **Sixth Form September Information**

We hope that you are safe and well and looking forward to a summer when things will hopefully begin to be a bit more "normal".

Having had a term of very little COVID in Sixth Form, sadly our final week plans were disrupted by an outbreak that meant we closed temporarily whilst tracing of close contacts was carried out, resulting in many Year 12s being required to self-isolate for the final week. We hope that it will be possible for work experience opportunities to be re-arranged.

It is vital that everyone remains vigilant about testing and taking appropriate precautions in social spaces, so that we have the best chance of not only an enjoyable summer, but also a stress-free return in September.

We have recently hosted successful Year 11 Transition events, participated in Race for Life and we are looking forward to planning for the September return.

The structure of the day has been published in Mr Garrity's bulletin and further information will follow, but below we have outlined some information and reminders for Sixth Form students.

## **Return to School:**

The return to school in September will be staggered:

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September – Plans to follow for whole school

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September – Year 12 in school, all students to arrive at Sixth Form for 8.50am start, Year 13 remote work provided

Thursday 9th September – Year 12 in school, Year 13 remote work provided

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> September – Year 12 and Year 13 in school

On Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September Year 12 will participate in a Sixth Form Induction for the first part of the day followed by timetabled lessons.

Year 13 students should check in with their teachers for online lessons or instructions.

Other key dates in the first half term:

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October - Year 12 Meet the Tutor (face to face meetings)

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October - Year 13 Meet the Tutor (face to face meetings)

Monday 18th October – Year 13 Parent Consultation Evening (PCE) - online

The Sixth Form Dress Code: (Please note the additional change to Sport/Performing Art dress code)

The Sixth Form dress code has been amended slightly to reflect the changed rules around changing for sport.

Sixth Form students are expected to look smart and set an example for the rest of the school.

• ID lanyard, to be worn at all times (access to school buildings and safeguarding)

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- Plain black jacket, to be worn all the time
- Plain black tailored trousers or

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- Plain black tailored skirt (must be a non-stretchy material, straight or A-line and reach to just above the knee)
- White shirt or blouse with a collar
- School tie or QEGS pin badge (available from school)
- A smart red, black, navy, grey or dark green fine-knit V-neck jumper can be worn under a jacket
- Black or neutral coloured tights
- Black or brown shoes (low heel, no trainers or canvas)

Students participating in sport may come to school in sportswear as follows: EITHER:

• QEGS Sports kit

OR:

- Black joggers
- · Plain round necked T-shirt
- Plain black round neck sweatshirt (no hoodies)

There should be no slogans on sportswear and any logos must be minimal.

Any jewellery worn must be discreet. No nose rings or body studs are permitted except for small earrings. Any student identifying with an alternative gender should follow the appropriate dress code.

Ties and lapel pins are now on sale via ParentPay, orders made now can be collected on results day. Alternatively, we will have them on sale on results day and on the first day of term; please bring the correct money.

Ties £7.50 Lapel pins £3.50

As you will have read in the Mr Garrity's bulletin the school is adhering to government guidelines in relation to COVID-19. During the pandemic we noticed a significant drop in occurrences of colds and other viruses, meaning that attendance generally was at good levels, therefore we would encourage all students to continue to wash their hands regularly and use hand sanitiser to maintain good hygiene. That way, we will keep infections to a minimum.

Students may choose to wear masks if they prefer.

Please contact Mrs Thrupp in the Sixth Form office if you have any questions or email <a href="mailto:thrupp@queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk">thrupp@queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk</a>

We look forward to welcoming all our students back in September.

Yours faithfully

Mr L Walker

Head of Sixth Form