



# HEANOR GATE SCIENCE COLLEGE

“Develop all learners to achieve their full potential”  
“Create a culture of aspiration”

Principal: **Mr S Huntington**



2 March 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

Firstly, I hope that you're well and that you're as excited as we are to welcome your child back on Monday 8 March. I would also like to thank you for supporting the school with the testing and home-schooling programme. I can speak on behalf of your child's teachers about how impressed they have been with their resilience towards their studies.

Secondly, following on from the communication from Mr Huntington, I wanted to give you specific information about their return.

## Testing and face coverings

You should have received the time of your child's test which, for Year 10, will take place on **Friday 5 March**. They should arrive at school with a mask and enter the school site via the sixth form entrance. The students will then be taken to the testing area in H block where they will self-administer the test. We will send out guidance in due course of how the students will conduct the home tests. In relation to face coverings, it is now **mandatory for students to wear these at all times when they're inside** - with the exception of break/lunchtime - unless they are medically exempt. Please make sure they have a mask when leaving for school in the morning.

## Timings

As before Christmas, there will be a staggered start for students across the school. Year 10 students need to be at school for an **8.40am start** and will enter the school site from the ramp leading to the Achievement Centre (T Block). Students will remain in their bubbles and will be required to sit with the same people at break and lunchtime every day (maximum group of 6). This will allow us to contact trace in the event that there is a positive case.

## Uniform expectations

Before the latest lockdown, standards of uniform in Year 10 were excellent. We appreciate your support in ensuring that students return to school with these same high standards. A reminder of some key points:

- Jewellery – students are allowed to wear one earring in each ear lobe. Rings or bracelets are not part of the school uniform.
- Trousers should be formal (loose fit, non-stretch) along with skirts (formal fit, non-stretch).
- Hair should be a natural colour.
- False nails and lashes should be removed before returning to school.

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I have attached the link to Morley's and Karlsport uniform shops (should you need to purchase new uniform), as they are still operational online. As 8 March is fast approaching, I would urge you to place any orders required as soon as possible. Local supermarkets also stock most of the required items.

- Morley's - <http://www.schoolwearsolutions.com/>
- Karlsport - <http://www.ksschoolwear.co.uk/>

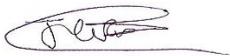
### Mobile phones

Mobile phones are not to be used on site and should be switched off before students arrive at school. This both removes distractions and improves social interactions between students. If contact with/from home is urgent, please do this through the school reception.

I appreciate that for some 8 March will bring great excitement and a return to some sort of normality. For others, however, it will be an anxious time. As ever, if you have any concerns or questions regarding the return to school, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Coleman ([scoleman@heanorgate.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:scoleman@heanorgate.derbyshire.sch.uk)) or me ([j.wright3@heanorgate.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:j.wright3@heanorgate.derbyshire.sch.uk)). As an Achievement Team we are here to help.

I will continue to update you over the coming weeks with any changes and the plans for Year 10 moving forward.

Yours sincerely



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Achievement Leader