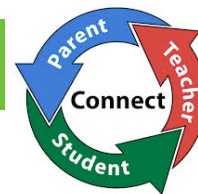


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Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope you are well and are feeling prepared for the Christmas break!

As we come to the end of the term and indeed the end of 2021 there are a number of things I need to inform you about:

Covid-19

We are continuing to keep our students and staff as safe as possible and are working within our 'department bubbles', and wearing masks in communal areas in the school building. Please continue to encourage your child to carry out Lateral Flow Tests twice a week. We have plentiful stocks of tests so please let your child's class team know when you need some more sending home.

End of term

A reminder that term will end at 1.30pm for students on Wednesday 22nd December.

Start of term

We will welcome **all students** back to school for the start of the spring term on **Wednesday 5th January**. As I am sure you can appreciate, a staggered start for us would be extremely complex to organise given that students come into school on transport in mixed year groups and from across different classes & departments. We also know how difficult it would potentially be for the students, as well as for yourselves as parents and carers, if we had some young people in one day but not the next day whilst we tested others. We also wish to continue to minimise disruption to the education of our young people as much as possible.

In line with national guidance we are therefore asking that all students carry out a lateral flow test (LFT) at home on Tuesday 4th January 2022. Where students can self administer the LFT test with supervision we will then supervise another test in school in the usual way over the next three days in school. This minimises the amount of time our students will be out of lessons. If you **do not consent** to your child being supervised to self administer a LFT please contact school.

Goodbye & Good Luck

Next week we will be saying goodbye & good luck to one of our fantastic teachers, Alex Marland. Alex is sadly leaving us to take up a position on a new career pathway. He will be very much missed by all at Cavendish. He has contributed hugely to the wider life of school and has been a valued member of the teaching team. We wish him every success for the future.

And Finally.....

On behalf of the whole staff team and the Governing Board I would like to thank you for all of your support over the term and wish you all a very safe and happy festive season as well as sending you all our very best wishes for a happy and healthy 2022.

Take care,

Elaine & all the team at Cavendish



