



Wisdom Service Hope

18th September 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

SMSJ COVID-19 Principal's Update w/b 21.09.20

Welcome to our second round-up after another week in which we are having to do extraordinary things in extraordinary circumstances.

The feedback we have received from you has been overwhelmingly supportive so thank you again for your continued support in getting our students back into school safely over the past week. We are collectively committed to providing and sustaining the best education possible for your child, while securing the health and safety of our whole school community.

Following our reminder last week, I would also like to thank you for continuing to follow public health guidelines and encouraging your children to do the same. Please be mindful of each other and adhere to social distancing; in particular please make sure you always use our one-way system when dropping off and picking up your child. We continue to be advised by Public Health England in order to mitigate risk of infection and further transition of the COVID-19 virus across our three campuses.

- Staff absence due to COVID-19 related issues has reduced to 5%.
We have 7% students across all three campuses who are unable to attend due to COVID-19 related issues.

School reopening

Having taken additional measures to ensure that each cohort can be accommodated in line with guidance, we are expecting all students who are well and not isolating, to be in school every day from Monday 21st September 2020. Please refer to the information on our website and the table below which includes timings. To reduce congestion please ensure your child arrives at the correct time.

Table with 3 columns: Campus, Year Group, and Mon to Fri timings. Rows include Neale House (Reception, Year 1-4), Bennett House (Year 5-8), and Stamford Raffles (Year 9-13).



Bennett House Campus We would like Year 7 to arrive from 08:30 for PAM to start at 08:40. Year 8 should then arrive no sooner than 08:40 in time for PAM at 08:50. We have opened the student gate by the playground to separate our students from any adult visitors and staff to improve social distancing and are encouraging students to hand sanitise on their way in.

Neale House Campus Please follow our one-way system that has been put in place for social distancing and safety in the morning and when collecting children at the end of the day. This one-way system uses the paths around the site and parents are asked not to walk across the field or take short-cuts. When leaving Neale House parents should move away from the gates and continue their journey home rather than congregate in groups.

If your child or anyone in the household does develop symptoms, you can seek advice from NHS 111 at: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms-or-by-phoning-111>.

Barnet Mobile testing dates and venues:

<https://lbbcommunicationsinternal.cmail19.com/t/d-l-cvitx-tllhjditi-j-d/>

Yours faithfully,



Mr M Serrão
Principal