



**THE NOTTINGHAM  
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14<sup>th</sup> December 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

### **Partial School Closure: Years 9 and 12 only**

Unfortunately we are currently experiencing high levels of teaching and support staff absence in school. Cover agencies are also struggling to provide supply staff to cover these absences. In order to ensure that we can adequately cover lessons and provide lunch for students in school **we have taken the decision to close to Year 12 and Year 9 for the rest of the week.** Year 12 students were sent home during registration this morning and parents notified. Year 9 will remain in school today but will not be returning to school until Monday 20<sup>th</sup> December. We will review the staffing situation on Friday to decide whether we will be in a position to open fully for the last three days of term. I am sorry for any inconvenience caused by this partial school closure.

School work will be set on Teams for students to complete from home. We will be asking staff to simply upload PowerPoints and set assignments for the rest of the week. Staff absence means we will struggle to deliver live lessons to every class, so students will be asked to complete the assignments set by staff and submit completed work online. Year 9 students will be informed of this in an assembly at the end of the day. As we are closing for just three days we are not in a position to loan out laptops. If you have any concerns please contact your child's year leader.

### **Free School Meals**

If your child is not going to be in school because of the partial closure and is entitled to a free school meal, we will be preparing grab bags containing a sandwich, cookie, piece of fruit and a drink. These would need to be collected from the school site at 12pm each day. **If you would like to request a free school meal, grab bag for the rest of the week can you please contact school via phone or email [admin@emmanuel.nottingham.sch.uk](mailto:admin@emmanuel.nottingham.sch.uk) by 9am tomorrow** to ensure that we have sufficient grab bags prepared. Students will need to come into school for 12pm and go to the cloister gates, where they will be served. Once they have their grab bag they will need to leave the school site and return home for their afternoon lessons.

### **Last Day of Term**

The last day of term remains Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> December. We will be closing to all students at 1:30pm that day. No after school clubs or provision will be running that day.

### **Start of Term**

The new term starts on **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January** for all year groups. The Department for Education have requested that all students with consent should have a lateral flow test completed on site prior to their return to school. **We are planning to complete our Lateral Flow Tests on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> January.** Appointment times and more details will be shared later this week.

Thanks for your continued support, in this ever changing situation!

Yours faithfully

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Principal



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