

Our ref: ljm/KDV/Correspondence

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**Dear Parents/Carers** 

## Re. Parental update

It feels only very recently that I was writing to you all very regularly with updates around Covid-19 with changing guidance, lockdowns, remote education plans, etc. and it has been fantastic that this year we have been able to focus on making sure your child has access to the best possible education rather than working around so many restrictions. We have of course been monitoring the situation in school and around the country to make sure we are getting the balance right between keeping students in school and healthy and making sure they are best prepared for the exams that they will face at the end of Year 11.

The number of cases we have seen recently have followed the national trend and dropped significantly and the weather is starting to warm up. We have therefore been able to run some experiments in classes to test the airflow in various situations. From after half term we will be reducing the number of open windows in classrooms and have worked with the company who maintains our building to make sure that the heating and ventilation system is working efficiently in order to keep the classrooms safe and comfortable. We have trialled this in incremental steps across the college to ensure we have kept students and staff safe.

Therefore, from Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February we will return to our normal uniform expectations that can be found on our website here: <u>https://www.cityleicester.co.uk/parents/college-uniform/</u>

Having students in full uniform at all time helps to maintain a studious and calm atmosphere where students are able to do their best and focus on their learning. I am as always thankful for the support that you continue to give us as we manage the pandemic and would request that you reinforce these uniform expectations with your child before they return after half term.

In the meantime, I hope you have a wonderful half-term with your families and friends and we look forward to seeing students back with us on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February.

Yours sincerely

Mr K. Vernon Head Teacher