



**Southfields
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Dear Parent/Carer

We have had a very positive start to the new academic year - it has been wonderful to welcome our students back and for them to return ready to learn and looking very smart in their uniforms.

Effect of the Pandemic

We are, however, aware that throughout the pandemic a number of families in our community have suffered hardship, either emotionally, financially or both. While we are offering as much support as we can to our students in these circumstances, I would like to ask if our parent community could help too please. If you have any uniform that is no longer required but which is in good clean condition, please could you send it in to reception. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Covid Testing

Our student Covid testing programme has now been completed. Thank you for your co-operation with this. All students have now taken home packs of Lateral Flow Device tests to test themselves at home. Please support your child to test twice weekly.

- If your child receives a positive result from a Lateral Flow test, please keep them at home, arrange a PCR test and inform our attendance office via natalie.stearn@southfieldsacademy.com.
- If the PCR test shows your child is positive, please ensure that they remain at home and inform our Attendance Officer, as above, as soon as possible.
- A reminder that if your child has symptoms that you should also keep them at home and organise a PCR test for them.

Covid Protocols

Our Covid protocols have been updated in line with Government guidance. Please see <https://parents.southfieldsacademy.com/site/data/files/documents/059453FC4E765E546D71F6D8818F64BA.pdf> to read these.

Times of the Academy Day

The timings of the Academy day have been shared with all students. You can access these via <https://parents.southfieldsacademy.com/page/?title=Times+of+the+Day&pid=186>

Important Dates

Thursday 23rd September 2021 – time TBC	Information Event for Parents <ul style="list-style-type: none">• This will be a virtual live event covering topics such as curriculum, our restorative behaviour policy and teaching.• There will be an opportunity for questions via chat.• A recorded copy of this event will be made available afterwards.
Thursday 30th September 2021 (NB: this was previously scheduled to take place on Thursday 16 th September)	Year 7 Meet the Tutor <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Detail will be shared with Year 7 parents
Thursday 7th October 2021	Open Evening for Prospective Parents <ul style="list-style-type: none">• We warmly invite parents of Year 6 pupils and their children from inside and outside of the Academy to tour the Academy and see it in action.
Friday 8th October 2021	INSET Day <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Staff only. No students should attend the Academy.
Wednesday 20th October 2021	Year 11 Parents' Evening

We are looking forward to a successful year filled with opportunities for your child. Thank you for your support in this endeavour.

Yours sincerely



Wanda Golinska
Headteacher