

20 August 2020

Re: Start of Term Reminders

Dear Parents and Carers,

This is a short letter to reconfirm the arrangements for the start of the year.

The main message is that we are very much looking forward to welcoming all students back to school. I must remind people that attendance at school every day is now compulsory, and absence without legitimate reason will be treated as unauthorised. Students have been off school for a long time now, and it's time to get them back in the classroom and learning.

The start dates for the new year are:

Date	KAA1	KAA2
Thursday 3rd September	Year 12 Induction Day	Year 7 Induction Day
Friday 4th September	Year 11, Year 12, Year 13 all at school <i>Year 9 & 10 at home</i>	Year 7 and Year 8 at school
Monday 7th September	All years return to school	All years return to school

The reason Year 9 & 10 are at home on Friday 4th September is to give us maximum space to go through some important exam messages for the Y11, 12 and 13 students about their GCSEs and A Levels. Please note we will be emailing some guidance for Year 9 & 10 regarding how to best to use this time at home.

Quarantine & Attendance

I know many parents have chosen not to travel abroad this summer, or to cut short their holidays, in order to avoid their children missing any more school. I very much hope therefore that no student will need to miss school as a result of quarantine measures. If any parent wants specific advice on this question, please contact the relevant Director of Learning (see emails below). In the regrettable event that a student is quarantined and can't attend at the start of term, we would require evidence of international travel in order to authorise any absence. The main message is, as the government have explained, there is no risk free option for international travel at present. KAA students only have one chance for their education and 100% attendance should always be top priority.

Year Group	Director of Learning	Email
Year 7	Ms Reed	m.reed@kaa.org.uk
Year 8	Ms Dewes	i.dewes@kaa.org.uk
Year 9	Ms Armitage	s.armitage@kaa.org.uk
Year 10	Ms Bates	k.bates@kaa.org.uk

Year 11	Mr Kirby	e.kirby@kaa.org.uk
Year 12	Mr Whitlock	a.whitlock@kaa.org.uk
Year 13	Ms Boyle	o.boyle@kaa.org.uk

Year 7 & Year 8 Students

A reminder that, in order to keep a full curriculum and allow maximum social distancing, Year 7 and Year 8 will be based at the KAA2 site this term. This arrangement will carry on until government guidance changes, at which point we will bring them back to KAA1 – current indications are that this could be from Easter 2021.

To help familiarise everyone with KAA2, we want to invite all Year 7 & 8 parents and students to a full tour and Q&A session next week. Please arrive at **5pm on Wednesday 26th August at KAA2, Scrubs Lane, London, W12 0HU**. If the weather is good, we will focus the tour on outdoor areas and hold the Q&A outside too.

And finally...

A reminder of the start times and relevant entrances for each Year Group is below:

Year Group	Arrival time	Departure time	Entrance
Year 7	8.40am	3.50pm	KAA2, Reception Entrance
Year 8	8.40am	3.50pm	KAA2, Side Entrance
Year 9	8.40am	3.50pm	KAA1, Community Entrance
Year 10	8.10am	4.00pm	KAA1, Community Entrance
Year 11	8.10am	4.00pm	KAA1, Main Student Entrance
Year 12	8.40am	3.50pm	KAA1, Main student entrance
Year 13	8.40am	3.50pm	KAA1, Grandin entrance

I hope you enjoy the rest of the summer holiday, and look forward to seeing you all at the start of term. If parents have any questions please direct them to info@kaa.org.uk or call 0207 313 5800.

Best wishes,



David Benson
Principal