

TO: KS3, 4 & 5, & Staff

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Dear Parents and Carers,
I hope that you and your family are well.

After all of the excitement of the last few weeks, it feels like we have come back down to earth with a bump this week with the announcement that unfortunately, but understandably, Christmas events in school are cancelled as a part of the latest Covid protocols. We are still waiting to hear what this will mean for our eagerly awaited Talent Show and will keep you posted.

I was very pleased to watch the final Y13 A Level Drama devised piece on Wednesday evening. Once again the students and staff concerned are to be congratulated on a very well told story, full of emotion and cleverly designed.

Last week was Anti-Bullying week and Y7 took part in an activity organised by the School Psychologist, Mrs. Theofanous, Mr. Vallance, Mrs. Vasiliou and Ms. Milaki. They considered the role of heroes and bystanders and were asked to create their own hero against bullying; considering the personality traits and behaviours a person can use to prevent, challenge or stop bullying (e.g. being kind towards others could be an action preventing bullying) afterwards drawing the hero they visualized. The activity highlighted and expanded on this year's Anti-Bullying week topic "One kind word" showing the students that anyone of us can take action against bullying.

Thank you very much to all those of you who took the time to fill in the Parent survey. I will be communicating the results with you in more detail as time goes on but wanted to begin by informing you of who to contact should you have a query or concern.

It is helpful to remember that most parents' queries and concerns about their child can be answered or resolved by the Subject Teacher for academic issues or the Form Tutor for pastoral issues.

If the issue cannot be resolved satisfactorily, parents can raise the matter with a more senior member of staff as outlined in the following table:

Academic matters including enquiries about teaching topics, exams, grades, and progress.	Pastoral matters including enquiries about uniform, wellbeing, attendance, and behaviour.
Subject Teacher	Form Teacher
Head of Department	Head of Year
Director of Studies	Deputy Headteacher Pastoral
Headteacher	Headteacher
Board of Governors	Board of Governors

You can find contact details for your children's Subject Teachers and Form Tutor on the ISAMS Parent Portal mobile app. The contact details for the Heads of Year are as follows:

	Name	Email Address
Head of Year 7	Mrs L Vasiliou	headyear7@tjss.ac.cy
Head of Year 8	Ms L Simister	simisterlucy@theseniorschool.com
Head of Year 9	Mrs E Andreou-loannou	elena.a@theseniorschool.com
Head of Key Stage 4 (Yrs 10 & 11)	Mrs A Theodorou	atheodorou@theseniorschool.com
Head of Sixth Form (Yrs 12 & 13)	Ms E O'Riordan	headofsixthform@theseniorschool.com

The following table summarises the latest COVID protocols:

	29 th November	1 st December	15 th December
6 years old +	Weekly Rapid Test in school Safe Pass required Wear a Mask	Weekly Rapid Test in school Safe Pass required Wear a Mask	Weekly Rapid Test in school Safe Pass required Wear a Mask
12 years old +	Weekly Rapid Test in school Safe Pass required Wear a Mask	Weekly Rapid Test in school Safe Pass required Wear a Mask	Weekly Rapid Test in school Safe Pass required Wear a Mask Unvaccinated cannot attend large social gatherings
14 years old +	Digital safe pass required Rapid test every 72 hours (if unvaccinated) Wear a Mask	Digital safe pass required Rapid test every 72 hours (if unvaccinated) Wear a Mask	Digital safe pass required Rapid test every 72 hours (if unvaccinated) Wear a Mask Unvaccinated cannot attend large social gatherings
18 years old +	Digital safe pass required Rapid test every 72 hours (if unvaccinated) Wear a Mask	Digital safe pass required Rapid test every 48 hours or PCR tests valid for 72 hours (if unvaccinated) Wear a Mask	Digital safe pass required Rapid test every 48 hours or PCR tests valid for 72 hours (if unvaccinated) Wear a Mask Unvaccinated cannot attend large social gatherings 3 rd vaccine required 7 months after 2 nd dose (From 18 th December)

Next week the rapid test unit will be in school on Monday and Friday. We will be checking digital SafePasses from 1st December in line with the latest protocols.

Best wishes,

Dr. Beth Ashfield

Acting Senior School Headteacher / Principal

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