



DARRICK WOOD SCHOOL

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5th November 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

On returning from the half-term break you will be aware we changed the timings of the end of the School day. However, having monitored this for the past few days, we have noticed issues on Lovibonds Avenue with too many students leaving too close together. From Monday, 9th November we will be altering these timings slightly to alleviate the issues as far as we can. The new timings will be:

Years 7 and 8 leave at 3.00pm

Years 9 and 10 leave at 3.05pm

Years 11,12 and 13 leave at 3.10pm

Now we have entered a new national lockdown period I want to emphasise that all students must go directly home at the end of the day. They should practise social distancing on their routes home and take care not to block the pavement for members of the public by walking in large groups. I would appreciate it if you could reinforce this message at home, ensuring all of our students are aware of their personal responsibility to keep themselves and others as safe as possible.

A small minority of our students have repeatedly relied on the School to provide them with a face mask this week. This is fine as a one off, but please ensure your child always has their mask with them, that it is changed daily if disposable, and washed daily if reusable.

Finally for today, I would like to thank you, our parents and carers, for your ongoing support and wish you well during this time. I believe passionately that it is vital we do our best to continue to provide education through these difficult times. The months ahead will no doubt bring their challenges, but we will do our best to provide each of our students with the education you expect of Darrick Wood whilst reducing risk wherever we can.

Yours sincerely

Dr M J Airey
Head Teacher