

# Sir Robert Pattinson Academy

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Dear Parent/Carer

## **Covid-19 including plans for the vaccination of healthy 12 to 15 year olds, the remote curriculum, Homework timetables, Y7-11 GL testing including Y7 CAT testing and setting, Seneca Premium for Years 11, 12 and 13, Enrichment including the Health & Wellbeing bulletin, Year 13 and Year 11 Prom**

Welcome to my second weekly letter of the academic year. By and large, the weather has remained kind and conduct around the Academy has been exceptional. It has been heart-warming to see our older youngsters supporting Year 7 as they navigate our building and I am pleased that we have been able to return to collective messaging in assemblies which are making a huge difference. We continue to keep a close eye on the Covid-19 position in and out of the Academy to aid our planning. More about that below:

### **Covid-19 including plans for the vaccination of healthy 12 to 15 year olds**

Following the national advice from the Chief Medical Officer that all 12 to 15 year olds will be offered a vaccine, I have been contacted by Lincolnshire County Council to request the use of our site for this purpose. This programme will be offered to all eligible students and parental consent will be requested in the same way as for HPV etc. My staff teams will not be involved in the delivery of any part of this programme as this will be carried out by the Schools Aged Immunisation Service (SAIS) in full. At the time of writing, it is expected that vaccines will be offered from 27 September but I will keep you informed as I await specific details.

If any parents have any other concerns related to Covid-19 in school, please contact us at the Academy using the email address [COVID@srpa.co.uk](mailto:COVID@srpa.co.uk).

### **The remote curriculum**

This will remain in place and will be updated each Monday morning on Frog for all students isolating due to Covid-19.

### **Homework timetables**

These can now be found on the website under <https://srpa.co.uk/parents/supporting-learning-at-srpa/>. We also encourage our students to use their planners diligently to record homework in order that parents are also aware of what is being set.

## **Y7-11 GL testing including Y7 CAT testing and setting**

GL Testing for Year 7-11 begins next week, so please encourage students to bring their own headphones.

Y7 CAT testing will continue into next week before we begin to set youngsters in earnest looking for a rapid turnaround. Please continue to ask your child to bring a pair of headphones for their CATs if possible to minimise sharing.

## **Seneca Premium for Years 11, 12 and 13**

We have purchased this for all students in examination year groups. It is an excellent revision tool and is highly recommended. If your youngster has used this before they can access it using the same password as previously. If they are using it for the first time, please ask them to use the password **seneca2020**. There is a password reset function on the login page.

## **Enrichment including the Health & Wellbeing bulletin**

Mr Griffiths has published our raft of available clubs on the website this week under <https://srpa.co.uk/our-curriculum/personal-development/enrichment/>

In addition, you should receive our latest Health & Wellbeing newsletter as an attachment to my letter today.

## **Year 13 and Year 11 Prom**

With the recent uncertainties surrounding Covid-19 in mind and in order to limit the chances of future cancellation, I would like to take control of the proposed prom. We are acutely aware just how much youngsters look forward to this and feel that we could pull the stops out for them at more limited cost to them. In addition, as I can control the Covid regulations we are working under more carefully than private venues and hotels, I hope this approach will ensure we can hold both events next summer.

This is not set in stone and we are asking our youngsters what they want to do. A letter has also been sent out this week to cover this and we welcome all feedback.



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As the second week of term comes to an end and a renewed sense of positivity and normality encapsulates the Academy, I am reminded of the words of Walt Whitman who said “Keep your face always to the sunshine – and the shadows will fall behind you.” Have a positive weekend and we will go again next week.

I will write again soon.

Yours faithfully



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