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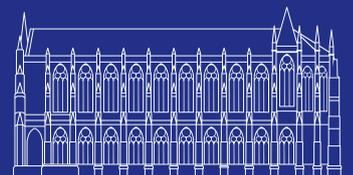
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Lancing College has adopted the
Boarding Schools' Association Covid-Safe Charter.

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Further Information for Parents and Pupils

Lancing College is looking forward to opening for all pupils in September 2020 in line with its declared term dates (so a staggered start for all pupils between 17.00 on Wednesday 2 September and 08.15 on Friday 4 September).

In doing so we are working on two positive assumptions:

1. That the government's commitment of 19 June that they will 'bring every child back, in every year group, in every school' and reinforced by a detailed document on 2 July means that government guidelines will permit all pupils to return at the start of September.
2. That, in accordance with government guidance, there will not be a fixed requirement for social distancing in a school setting but instead there will be careful plans in place to minimise and mitigate contacts between children. This is laid out in the latest Government document published on 2 July 2020:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools>

CURRENT GUIDANCE

The current government guidance for schools advocates a 'hierarchy of controls' which create an inherently safer system where the risk of transmission of infection is substantially reduced. These include:

- a requirement that pupils and staff who are ill stay at home
- robust hand and respiratory hygiene e.g. cleaning hands more often than usual or using an anti-viral hand-sanitiser and ensuring good respiratory hygiene by promoting 'catch it, bin it, kill it' and by encouraging children not to touch their mouths, eyes or noses
- enhanced cleaning arrangements, cleaning frequently-touched surfaces regularly using standard products, such as detergents and bleach. This includes door handles, handrails, table-tops, and electronic devices
- active engagement with NHS Test and Trace
- formal consideration of how to reduce contacts and maximise distancing between those in school wherever possible and minimise potential for contamination so far as is reasonably practicable
- minimising contact with individuals who are unwell by ensuring that those who have COVID-19 symptoms, or who have someone in their household who is symptomatic, do not attend school

We are adopting all of the measures above – and more – in our planning.

In order to manage the mitigation of contact between groups of pupils we are, as a boarding school, organising our pupils within two essential groupings: that of the **House** and that of the **Year**. The Year will be the primary grouping for lessons and co-curricular arrangements; the House for pastoral arrangements.

We are monitoring government guidance continually and updating our approach and Risk Assessments as required. Please see the end of this document for the links to the most up to date guidance.

Advent Term 2020 Opening Plan

PASTORAL CARE - BEFORE TERM STARTS:

In the event that Home Office requirements are still in place for quarantine, then we will make it possible for those pupils who cannot serve a period of quarantine with family, friends or Guardians to do so within school.

Please note, that with effect from 10 July, some 50 countries are regarded as 'travel corridors'. **Those travelling to the UK direct from these countries will not be required to undertake a period of quarantine.**

Please see the following list of exempted countries, published on 3 July: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-travel-corridors#travel-corridors-countries-and-territories-exemption-list>

Parents are advised to check requirements regularly, as the picture is a changing one.

QUARANTINE AT LANCING COLLEGE

In offering a quarantine location to those pupils for whom it is required and who have arrived in the UK with a clear 14 days for quarantine (on 19 August), the College will be following the guidelines set out in government advice: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-how-to-self-isolate-when-you-travel-to-the-uk/coronavirus-covid-19-how-to-self-isolate-when-you-travel-to-the-uk>

The key points of specific relevance about how your child will be looked after during their period of quarantine at Lancing are as follows:

- In your Public Health Passenger Locator Form (which is completed before you travel) you should put this as Lancing College, Lancing, West Sussex BN15 0RW and the UK mobile phone number of your child: <https://www.gov.uk/provide-journey-contact-details-before-travel-uk>
- The guidelines do not permit anyone changing their place of quarantine.
- If the College is hosting your child for quarantine purposes, then the College will collect your child from the airport under the quarantine restrictions laid out in the BSA COVID-SAFE Charter: <https://www.boarding.org.uk/userfiles/bsa/pdf/Advice%20and%20Guidance/82902%20BSA%20COVID%20V2.pdf>
- All pupils will be allocated a single room (unless they are siblings) for the duration of quarantine, in Houses which are staffed specifically for this period. This is unlikely to be your child's usual/own House. They will join their House community at the start of the Advent Term so that everyone begins together.
- They will share individually designated bathroom and kitchen facilities with a small group within the House. These facilities and your child's room will be cleaned daily. Pupils will also be expected to maintain high standards of hygiene.
- They will be cared for by experienced Lancing College teaching and pastoral staff and will have access to the expertise of our on-site Health Centre.
- Meals will be provided by the College catering department. These will be eaten in individual rooms.
- Within the House environment (Household) your child will be able to spend some supervised socially-distanced time with some other House members but not pupils based in other Houses.
- Your child will not be able to meet visitors or to leave the College.
- They will be able to use the area immediately adjacent to the House for recreation and exercise – with adherence to social distancing.

Should your child not be able to travel until the start/after the start of term and still needs to be in quarantine for 14 days then the College may not be able to offer these facilities. Once school has commenced on 2 September we will have a full school again and our capacity to accommodate joining/returning pupils in quarantine alongside our main pupil body within the school will become seriously constrained. We will try to make this possible – but this will depend on the number seeking to do this and available accommodation. In the first instance please contact Mrs May, jmay@lancing.org.uk to enquire.

ONCE TERM STARTS:

Our **staggered start** to term enables all pupils to be met in small groups and to be settled into their Houses – whether arriving for the first time or returning. Any pupils who have been quarantining in the College will at this point move to their House communities and under the care of their Housemaster/Housemistress and team.

Senior pupils will be on hand to help new pupils settle in and there will be opportunities to meet with Housemasters/Housemistresses, the Head Master and other staff and to meet fellow parents in carefully organised groups.

House Structure. We will maintain current House structure and staffing so that the quality of pastoral care remains high and pupil wellbeing is put at the forefront. We have increased residential staffing so that all boarding Houses have a resident Housemaster/Housemistress; a resident Assistant HMM, a resident Matron.

In addition, each House has a dedicated team of Domestic Assistants and a Matron who will ensure the regular and thorough cleaning of the House daily. The Houses will be deep-cleaned before pupils return and the daily cleaning regime will be significantly enhanced.

Facilities. Housemasters and Housemistresses know their Houses well and we have used their expertise to reconfigure pastoral spaces to reduce risks and operate as safely as possible. This includes ensuring that as many pupils as possible are based in single rooms and that any shared accommodation is suitably spacious and well-ventilated; dividing Houses into ‘clusters’ so that within a year group or area pupils can operate as a smaller Household; designating particular sinks, showers and toilets to specific pupils.

Each study/bedroom (pitt) will be provided with hand sanitiser to help pupils play their part in ensuring maximum cleanliness.

Beyond the Houses, we are bringing in additional handwashing facilities to ensure access for all pupils and staff at multiple points of the day. Hand sanitiser will be available at the entrance to all teaching and communal areas.

Routine. At the start of the year we are making considerable adjustments to our usual arrangements:

- Houses will operate as pastorally distinct units – so there will be no visiting between Houses.
- Pupils will not be permitted to visit each other’s rooms at a stage where social distancing remains a requirement.
- Occasional overnight stays for Day pupils in the Boarding Houses will not be able to happen (this is in order to maintain distinct ‘clusters’ within Houses).
- We will adjust traffic flow, registration, movement around the school and Evening School (homework) arrangements to ensure pupils are carefully managed across the school site and that pupils remain in House or Year groups.
- Individual areas will be risk-assessed to ensure the careful and appropriate management of collective living and working.

Practical Arrangements.

- Pupils are asked to limit what they bring in to school at the start of the year. Cleaning will be helped by areas being as uncluttered as possible and we may need to move individuals swiftly between different areas of the House.
- Pupils are asked to bring in a bag in which to carry their school books and equipment around with them; to ensure that materials are as little shared as possible and that they remain with, and in the care of, their owner.

Beyond the Houses, the Year group will be regarded as the primary group and arrangements will be made to ensure that any mixing across the year groups is minimised as much as possible.

In this we are acting upon the Government guidance of 2 July which states:

How contacts are reduced will depend on the school's circumstances and will (as much as possible) include:

- *grouping children together*
- *avoiding contact between groups*
- *arranging classrooms with forward facing desks*
- *staff maintaining distance from pupils and other staff as much as possible.*

Dining. We will use a number of venues for dining to enable smaller groups (broken down into Year or House units) to eat together and adjust the layout of these spaces so that people are not facing each other across tables.

We will adapt routines to ensure socially distanced queuing. Good food, healthy choices and the ability to meet with others whilst eating are all supportive of welfare and health and we will work to ensure that our dining provision is as excellent as ever, whilst adapted to these times.

Transport. We will continue to offer our dedicated school transport, and a letter has gone out to all day pupils' parents about this.

As far as possible, we will seat pupils by year groups on our school buses and where pupils use the same bus routinely, they will be asked to occupy an assigned seat. The following controls will be in place:

- As far as possible, pupils will be grouped by year group.
- Pupils will be encouraged to use hand sanitiser upon boarding and/or disembarking.
- Additional cleaning of vehicles.
- Organised queuing and boarding where possible.
- Distancing within vehicles wherever possible.
- The use of face coverings will be encouraged, as pupils are likely to come into contact with people outside their House or Year groups.

Public Transport. We expect that public transport capacity will continue to be constrained in the Advent Term. Its use by pupils, particularly in peak times, should be kept to an absolute minimum, and we encourage those Day pupils who can do so to walk or cycle to school.

Families using public transport should refer to the following government guidance document:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-safer-travel-guidance-for-passengers>

Habits, Cleaning and Hygiene

Face masks. The current government guidance is that face masks in schools and other educational settings are not recommended, although staff and students may wear masks and face coverings if they wish and should do so if travelling into school on public or school transport.

We acknowledge that some pupils will wish to wear face coverings for some part of the day and we will thus carry a stock of these within the school shop. We will also instruct pupils in the use, storage and washing of face coverings.

Cleaning regimes. An enhanced frequency cleaning programme has been arranged, including cleaning at the start and end of each day. All pupils and staff will have access to cleaning materials, allowing them to wipe down surfaces that they have touched before they leave an area.

Training and awareness. Students will receive training in House groups about the nature and transmission of the virus causing COVID-19, the necessity for good hygiene habits and the expected behaviour and sanctions pertaining to social distancing. Staff have already received detailed training.

Testing/routine temperature checking. In accord with the COVID-SAFE CHARTER we will make regular temperature checking available. All our pupils will undertake a daily health questionnaire and, in the light of the range of symptoms that young people can present if unwell with a virus, any who are unwell will not attend lessons. Day pupils will be required to remain at home.

We are carefully considering the efficacy of testing in the light of the evolving evidence base and have contingency plans in place should government guidance and the scientific evidence support its use.

Health. Our superbly appointed and provisioned Health Centre is staffed by a highly-experienced team of qualified nurses and is open 24/7. We have extended its provision to enable separate areas for any pupils where there are concerns about potential COVID-19 infection and those presenting for other reasons by converting a new residential facility with individual rooms and en suite bathroom facilities which we can deploy for any needing to self-isolate within school and for routine medical appointments and care.

Our Health Centre staff are supported by our School Medical Officers (who visit the College weekly) and an expert advisor from a local Hospital.

ADDITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS

- **October Half Term and September Exeat.** Students will have the option to remain in school for the October Half Term and over the Exeat weekend should travelling prove difficult.
- Until further notice, Boarders will not be permitted to leave the school campus to go into Brighton or Worthing, or to visit the shopping facilities at the Holmbush Centre.
- We will ensure that our School Shop maintains additional stocks of items such as toiletries, hand-sanitisers, cleaning wipes and face masks.

Welfare

We recognise that recent months have been particularly challenging for young people. The chance to gather again in a community, to socialise and work face to face, to have wider physical freedoms and to be able to process difficult or distressing events in recent months will all be hugely important. It is our commitment to care for the welfare of our pupils through a challenging and exciting co-curricular programme (see below) and also through:

- Close and continuing contact with you as parents
- The one-to-one tutorial system, enabling pupils to speak with a trusted adult on any matter
- Our mentoring system – joining younger pupils up with older peers
- The dedicated care of HMMs (Housemasters and Housemistresses)
- The availability to all pupils of a free-at-the-point-of-access counselling service
- The Chaplaincy
- The Peer Support scheme
- A PSHE programme that run across the year for all pupils (and includes access for parents via the *PSHE for Parents* programme) and that focuses significantly on welfare, mental health, resilience and good communication
- A committed staff who are passionate about pastoral care and the welfare of each individual in the school
- Listening to our pupils and giving them a chance to exercise leadership.

LATE ARRIVALS: THOSE UNABLE TO JOIN US AT THE START OF TERM

For any pupils who are unable to join us at the start of term, we will ensure that the close pastoral communication that we have enabled this term via Microsoft Teams remains available and we will take all possible opportunities to incorporate and fully involve them in the day to day life of the school.

Academic Provision

- The College is equipped with wireless projection and broadcast facilities such that, if students' local circumstances at home mean that they are unable to physically join us at school, they can be seamlessly integrated into physical classes.
- Prior to the start of term, teaching space will be thoroughly deep-cleaned.
- Academic teaching space will, as ever, be thoroughly cleaned and, in augmentation of our usual service, all classrooms will be equipped with a cleaning pack to ensure that surfaces are wiped down between lessons with appropriate cleaning products to maintain scrupulous hygiene during the course of each working day.
- Teaching spaces will be reconfigured so that all pupils face the same way.
- Teaching spaces will be allocated according to the size of the class rather than the academic subjects where they study in order to maintain the maximum number of people able to be in classrooms in accordance with the latest UK government guidance.
- While formal social distancing requirements have been loosened with the government's guidance of 2nd July, due consideration will be given to the maintenance of social distancing and allow all students to participate in all lessons in an appropriately socially distanced manner and, in particular, to maintain a safe social distance between staff and students. Where it may be useful to the betterment of learning to do so, some students may be asked, on a careful rotation, to access some 'live' lessons by screen from their Houses. We will endeavour to engineer set sizes and teaching spaces to minimise this occurrence.
- Where class groups remain the same for multiple lessons, we will look at bringing teachers to classes rather than to have students moving about the campus.
- Wherever possible, we will keep seating arrangements appropriately distanced in accordance with governmental guidance.
- We will manage the transition into and out of classrooms between lessons to ensure that social distancing is applied where students enter, leave and make transitions between classes.
- Risk assessments specific to academic activities involving the sharing of equipment between different year groups (such as, for example, in sports, design, art or music classes) will require the scrupulous cleaning of equipment between classes.

Co-curricular Provision

The co-curricular programme is such an integral one to the pupils in terms of community, personal development and wellbeing (mental and physical), it is important that we run as full a co-curricular programme as possible within the government guidelines. Across all faculties, pupils will wash their hands thoroughly before and after any co-curricular session and any shared equipment will be thoroughly cleaned before and after use.

See below for area-specific comments:

SPORT

Despite the uncertainty still surrounding the return of some sports, we will adopt the following programme from September to ensure we have a cohesive programme for the start of the year:

First half of term:

- **Saturday afternoons.** There will be no inter-school fixtures. Instead, Saturday afternoons will be used for specialised training and House competitions. All pupils should be available for these.
- **PE/Games sessions.** We will follow a summer sports programme of cricket, tennis, athletics and rounders. This makes up for the season lost this summer. We will also provide, to small groups, specialised coaching in the winter sports (football and girls' hockey) for those who want it.
- **Contact sports.** There will be no playing of contact sports, only coaching in small groups to enable social distancing and non-contact.
- **Indoor sports.** Currently, the public cannot 'exercise in an indoor sports court, gym or leisure centre, or go swimming in a public pool'. The following sports will therefore be closed from September unless government guidance changes: badminton, basketball, climbing, fencing, indoor gym and squash.
- **Virtual fixtures.** There will be some virtual inter-school competitions in athletics, cross-country and fitness challenges to keep pupils engaged and enthused.

Second half of term:

It is hoped that we can revert to a normal and full winter sports programme (football and girls' hockey for all) but this will be dependent on the government guidelines at the time. If not, we will modify our provision again but will continue to offer as full a sports programme as we are able.

MUSIC

- Individual music lessons will continue as normal (remotely if required).
- Ensembles and concerts will continue as normal with social distancing in place as per the government guidelines. Sectional rehearsals may feature more as part of this programme.
- In the Advent Term the Choir will prepare for a number of major moments including Remembrance Sunday and the Carol Services. The Choir will continue to rehearse remotely and make video recordings and resume 'live' rehearsal and performance when government advice changes.

DRAMA AND DANCE

- We have a reduced programme for the Advent Term with the Musical as the highlight in November.
- Appropriate social distancing measures will be in place for cast, orchestra and audience.
- Dance lessons will continue as normal with a cap on pupil numbers to ensure suitable distancing in the Dance Studio.

ACTIVITIES

We will run as full an activity programme as possible within the government guidelines.

Staff will continue, where possible, to include any students who are unable to be on the campus through a similar blended approach to their sessions as with their lessons.

TRIPS AND VISITS

We have a much-reduced trips programme in place with events taking on site wherever possible. Those that take pupils off-site in the whole of the Advent Term are subject to risk assessment and viability prior to departure:

- Malawi Walk (week 1 – see below).
- Overnight Fifth Form GCSE Geography Fieldwork trip to Shropshire (week 3).
- Fifth Form GCSE Geography Fieldwork trip to East London (week 5).
- CCF live firing range day at Longmoor training camp (week 7).
- Overnight Fifth Form CCF Exercise (week 7).
- Overnight Silver Duke of Edinburgh Expedition (Half Term – see below).
- Sixth Form Economics trip to London (week 12).

All trips are thoroughly risk assessed to ensure the safety of both pupils and staff and these are scrutinised by SMT before departure.

There are no overseas trips until further notice, though we will start advertising them for later in the year, hopeful of a return to normality.

DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD

Expeditions will take place next term for pupils to complete their outstanding Bronze and Silver Awards.

MALAWI WALK (SAT 5 SEPT)

We have moved the start time forward to 09.00 to allow all pupils to walk in their House year group clusters and retain social distancing throughout.

Parents are, as ever, welcome as long as maintaining appropriate social distancing. Our usual Hog Roast for parents will take place but earlier in the day from 13.30–15.00. It will (weather permitting) take place outside with additional social distancing and safe catering measures.

The Broader Life of the School

The past term has shown how challenges have been able to be converted into opportunities by a resilient, energetic and determined staff and pupil body. We look forward to continuing and celebrating this 'can do' attitude..

There will be some inevitable changes to the routines and the calendar of the term and whole-school physical gatherings for Chapel and Head Master's Assembly or massed singing in Congregational Practice or indeed in services are unlikely to be part of the way we can do things in the opening weeks of the year. However, we will ensure that the cycle of worship, the rhythm of celebration of pupil achievement, and the opportunity to meet collectively as a House or year group continues in ways face-to-face or virtual.

We will be provisioning the school with temporary, additional large-capacity rooms which will enable year group gatherings; additional study spaces; spaces for covered recreational use; and for other flexible deployment as required.

A PDF of the Calendar as it stands accompanies this document. Please refer to our online calendar <http://www.lancingcalendar.org.uk/week.aspx> to keep up to date with any changes to the published programme.

FAQs

We imagine that many parents will have similar questions about the practicalities of the start of the new academic year. Please therefore find below some responses to recently asked questions, with the caveats that we will need to be responsive to changing guidance and requirements.

What are the arrangements for uniform fitting and purchasing?

Lancing College has its own shop on the school site, where all items of uniform can be bought. However due to Government COVID-19 guidelines we now need to operate in a slightly different way:

- The shop is open for online orders to click and collect and wherever possible parents and guardians should order online and arrange a suitable time for collection over the course of the summer holidays.
- The changing rooms remain closed following government guidelines
- The online school shop can be accessed from the College website: www.lancingcollege.co.uk/shop
- Orders placed can be collected from the shop by pre-arranged appointment only, and only one person at any one time will be allowed into the shop due to social distancing.
- The physical shop itself will be open for all new and existing pupils from 6 July under the new guidelines for collections/exchanges – it is important that you make an appointment before you visit.
- Please do try and help us during these uncertain times by placing your orders and appointments throughout the holidays and not leaving them until the last minute.

Enquiries/questions should be directed to the Shop Manager, Mrs Karen Ford on 01273 465 928 or email kford@lancing.org.uk

Are changes planned in the sleeping arrangements in Boarding Houses to reflect social distancing?

Yes – and the extent of these will be determined by ongoing government guidance. We hope to be able to permit some sharing for younger boarders in the larger of our shared rooms in Houses (at appropriate distance) to maintain the positive social benefits of this.

Will those who are flexi-boarding from September still be able to with current conditions?

This will depend on the particular layout of individual Houses, as we are seeking to have as many pupils accommodated in single rooms as possible. Where we can enable flexi-boarding we will do so and individual Housemasters/Housemistresses will be able to confirm arrangements. Where we cannot make this possible (at least for a time) we will of course adjust fees accordingly.

What are the school bus arrangements for Day pupils?

Please see the details indicated above under Transport. We will be running our usual routes for Day pupils, and using any mitigating features required for those using shared transport (eg the use of masks) in accord with government guidelines. Parents are asked to complete the Transport Form and return it to Mr Sam Woodger, Transport Manager, cgw@lancing.org.uk by 10 July 2020. The Transport Form is available on the College website: www.lancingcollege.co.uk/joining-lancing-2020

Will pupils need to wear school uniform?

The Government guidance encourages schools to return to their usual uniform policies in the autumn term, indicating that uniform can play a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of a school and setting an appropriate tone. It states: 'Uniforms do not need to be cleaned any more often than usual, nor do they need to be cleaned using methods which are different from normal.'

Will the Third Form 'half holiday' and mini-Exeat still go ahead on Saturday 12 September?

We will not have this mini Exeat as we are bringing the Malawi Walk earlier and not having a whole-school Chapel service on the first weekend, but a smaller service celebrating the Commissioning of the Prefects. Most pupils will therefore be able to go home after the Malawi Walk on 5 September and return on Sunday evening/ Monday morning, by arrangements with HMMs. We will therefore run a normal weekend on 12/13 September in advance of the Exeat the following weekend.

We hope and anticipate that the first 'Short Weekend' will be for Remembrance Sunday – on 9/10 November.

My child is a pupil in a Day House. Can they stay over occasionally?

I am afraid this will not be possible initially. We very much hope to be in a position soon where this flexibility can be extended again, but at the start of term we cannot do this in order to keep pupils as far as possible in 'clusters'.

If my child is quarantined for two weeks before they start, will this be in their House?

We plan to have two Houses/areas available for such quarantining as is required, so it is unlikely, but not impossible, that pupils will be quarantined in their own House. They will move to their House and their own room at the start of term.

Should my child limit what they bring into school (home clothes, decorations for their room etc)?

Absolutely. Good cleaning regimes and hygiene will be really assisted by bedrooms and study spaces being as uncluttered as possible, and if we need to move pupils for any reason into different areas of the campus then having rooms which can be swiftly packed up and items easily stored will make this much easier.

What will happen if my child starts to display symptoms during the school day?

Any child displaying symptoms will be immediately isolated at the College Health Centre. Parents of day pupils will be immediately notified and asked to collect their child as soon as possible. Boarders will be assessed and if they can go home this will be arranged and if not they will be tested and remain in the Health Centre as appropriate.

If a boarder/student displays COVID-19 symptoms or is tested positive, will the rest of the boarders/students in the same boarding house/teaching class require isolation?

The local Health Protection Team will give the school individual guidance on this. The guidance indicates that only those who have been in 'close contact' would require self-isolation. Close contact is defined as:

- Direct close contacts – face to face contact with an infected individual for any length of time, within 1 metre, including being coughed on, a face to face conversation, or unprotected physical contact (skin-to-skin)
- Proximity contacts – extended close contact (within 1 to 2 metres for more than 15 minutes) with an infected individual
- Travelling in a small vehicle, like a car, with an infected person.

During any period when a pupil was in isolation, will they be able to continue lessons via remote learning?

Yes, the College is fully equipped to be able to offer this together with online tutoring and pastoral support. The pupil will be able to participate in activities such as House registration and also be in close contact with their Housemaster/Housemistress and tutor in addition to accessing all lessons.

Can a parent choose to take their child home each weekend until normal service resumes?

Absolutely. We would see this as being similar to a child visiting different Households if their parents were not living together, so able to move between the Household of home and the Household of school.

Will parent events/gatherings be running on site as normal?

After the success of Virtual Parents' Meetings in the Summer Term we will run the first Parents' Meeting of the term (for Upper Sixth Form, on 13 October) virtually, but we hope that other events and gatherings can occur on site.

Further Resources

The UK Government's full portfolio of guidance for education and childcare can be found here: <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus/education-and-childcare>

Additional sources of information and guidance include:

World Health Organisation: <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019>

National Health Service: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

UK Government/Public Health England: <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

Boarding Schools' Association: <https://www.boarding.org.uk/467/safeguarding/-covid-19>

And finally ...

Whilst there will be a shift in the way we do some things, it will be a shift in **how** rather than **what** – as far as possible – and we are committed both to the safety of our pupils and to maintaining the richness and variety of Lancing life. We are confident that these things are not mutually exclusive and that they go hand in hand.

We look forward to seeing you all at the start of term.

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