

Fulford School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are well. We have had a really productive and positive return to school. Thank you for your support and cooperation, it really has helped.

Lateral Flow Tests

Lateral flow tests for pupils have arrived in school and will be distributed to pupils on Monday. Thank you to all parents and careers who have requested these tests following attendance at the community centres for the first three supervised tests.

Face Coverings

Pupils have responded tremendously to wearing face coverings in class. We have given lanyards to pupils who are unable to wear face coverings on medical grounds. Pupils cooperation and empathy has been fantastic to see and speaks to the core values we all share.

Red Nose Day

As we establish a greater sense of normality, we look forward to celebrating Red Nose Day next Friday. Our pods and bubbles mean we cannot organise whole school events but we certainly want to ensure our pupils can join in with the day. Mr. Harris will send further information out around Red Nose Day next week.

Year 11 and Year 13

This week Ms. Davies has held an assembly with Year 13 to talk about the school based assessments that will replace GCSE and A level exams this year. Mr. Rosie will be holding a similar assembly with Year 11 next week. Following both these sessions, we will produce a frequently asked questions sheet to share with parents and pupils. Mr. Rosie will also write to you explaining the process we will follow as a school. We still await further guidance from Ofqual and exam boards which we expect to receive before the end of the month.

Sarah Everard

Schools are more than places of learning. They are rich and vibrant communities. Lifelong friendships are made, futures planned, happy and sad times shared. Relationships made at school are deep and meaningful. However long ago one leaves school, we always remain part of our school community.

Sarah Everard was a Fulford pupil. She left Fulford in 2005. Her kindness, care and humanity benefited all who knew her. She spent her days with teachers and friends learning, questioning and developing into the lovely young woman we hear about and some of us were lucky enough to know.

Her disappearance is truly awful. The last few days have unfolded to devastating effect to her family and friends.

As a wider society, it rightly asks us to address the fact that women and girls around the country are left open to harassment and threats of violence whilst simply going about their everyday life.

I know I speak on behalf of our whole school community in sending our thoughts, warm wishes and prayers to all who have been part of Sarah's life.

Yours sincerely,

Steve Lewis Head Teacher



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