

Dear Parents

I am writing today to update you on your child's arrival to Felsted School for the autumn term. As I am sure you will be aware, there have been changes to some of the travel guidelines in place for those entering the UK and I have outlined our current understanding of the guidelines below.

If you have not yet already completed our arrivals form [here](#), it is important that this is completed as soon as possible, by **Wednesday 11 August** at the latest.

Arrival Dates

Our arrival date remains Friday 27 August. Should you require flexibility, please do contact me directly using the email address intadmissions@felsted.org.

Parents who wish to join their children

Parents from countries on the green and amber lists who plan to bring their child to the school may do so, but it is extremely important that they are also in line with the guidelines.

The exemption from quarantine applies to pupils who are under 18 only, so parents must have their own reason for being exempt if travelling from an amber list country. Please refer to the government website [here](#) for further information on whether your vaccination provides an exemption. Proof will need to be provided to your travel operator and border control.

Tours of the school will be available to parents; however, please note that parents will not be able to access any school buildings, including the boarding houses.

Ordering test kits

If your child will be required to take a Covid-19 test on day 2 or day 8 after arriving in the UK (and they will be at Felsted on these days), please order these for delivery to:

"Your child's name"
c/o Gemma Kilby
Felsted School
Felsted
Essex
CM6 3LL

Please note that I am able to receive test kits for pupils only.

Travel Restrictions

If you would like to review which list - green, amber or red - your country is on, please use the UK Government website [here](#). There are requirements for all countries, so it is important that you review these.

If your child or anyone who plans to come to the UK with them has travelled to any other country in the ten days before arriving in the UK, you must follow the rules for

the country of highest restriction.

Please note that this includes transit stops when travelling to the UK (information [here](#)).

As we know, it is possible that restrictions will change, so please check back to the government website frequently to ensure that you have the latest information.

Entering England from a green list country

Please visit the [government website](#) to confirm the actions that are required when travelling to England. Currently, this includes pre-travel Covid testing, booking and paying for Covid tests to be taken on Day 2 in the UK and completion of the [passenger locator form](#). Please check the government website for any updates.

Entering England from an amber list country

We have now received further clarification regarding pupils arriving from amber list countries and our understanding is now that pupils under the age of 18 are exempt from the quarantine requirements. They must, however, still meet all other requirements for coming to the UK under the amber list rules. These can be found [here](#).

Currently, the requirements include pre-travel Covid testing, booking and paying for Covid tests to be taken on Day 2 in the UK and completion of the [passenger locator form](#). Please check the government website for any updates.

Pupils who are required to quarantine (red list countries)

Pupils aged 17 and under travelling to the UK from a red list country are permitted by the UK Government to complete their quarantine period at Felsted School. There will be a follow up communication for all pupils joining us from, or who will have passed through, a red list country. This will include the actions required prior to travelling, the tests to be ordered for use in the UK, how to complete the [passenger locator form](#) correctly and copies of the documents your child will be required to have with them when they travel.

On arrival in England, pupils will be collected from the airport by a school driver and brought to the school, as per the government requirements.

Pupils from red list countries will be able to form a 'household' with other pupils from red list countries, but it is important that they are prepared and realistic about what this level of quarantine will mean, as movement around the house will be limited and movement outside of the house, sadly not possible. Dedicated Felsted team members will be allocated to this household to provide excellent pastoral support.