



21st January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

We have had some families contact us about access to the toilets following some changes we made to our processes just before Christmas.

I am writing with an update on the changes that we are making to help support students by increasing access. The majority of these changes will be in place from Monday 24th January, with a few requiring a slightly longer lead in due to premises requirements.

1. We will swap over the lunch and break time arrangements, providing students with additional access to toilets as follows:

Year group	Break time space	Break time toilets	Lunchtime space	Lunchtime toilets
7	Main School Hall and MUGA	DT and Performing Arts	Main School Hall and MUGA	DT and Performing Arts
8	Main School Hall, Ampitheatre and MUGA	DT and Performing Arts	Main School Hall, Ampitheatre and MUGA	DT and Performing Arts
9	Main School Hall, 'Snack Shack' and Side Open Space	DT	Main School Hall, Snack Shack and Side Open Space	DT
10	Dining Hall and STEM Terrace	GG toilet blocks	Dining Hall and STEM Terrace	GG toilet block
11	Dining Hall and STEM Terrace	GG toilet blocks	Dining Hall and STEM Terrace	GG toilet block

We hope that this will also provide additional dining space for our older year groups, which has been particularly in demand during these winter months. These new arrangements will also open up the large open spaces for our younger year groups who tend to play more outdoor games.

2. We will open one set of toilets during lesson changeover to support students who may need the toilet during a double lesson.
3. We will build capacity to ensure that the On Call facility is more responsive for those students who may need to use the toilet in an emergency in a lesson.
4. Students with a medical note will have access to a toilet throughout the day.



We recognise that it is important that students are able to have access to toilets during the day whilst also ensuring that they are not misused in any way and that students are in lessons learning and making progress.

Please can we remind you to continue sending your children to school with face coverings. These remain compulsory to wear in all communal areas in the school until the end of the day on Wednesday 26th January.

Finally, please can we take this opportunity to promote a number of forthcoming events:

- The Dance Show on Thursday, 10 February. This is a ticketed event
- The YLS Art Show on Friday, 28 January. This is a ticketed event
- The International Women's Day event (Virtual) on Thursday, 8 March.

We thank you for your ongoing support of the school and for working in active partnership with us. As ever, we wish our families a restful and enjoyable weekend ahead.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Lowe

Headteacher