



3<sup>rd</sup> February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Emergency COVID Contingency Arrangements – February 2022**

It is with great regret that once again, I write to you regarding the impact of COVID on our school community. In recent days, this has been acute, affecting both students and staff with the impact on staff now significant. As a result, we have now reached a critical point where I can no longer provide adequate supervision for all students in school and regrettably, I must therefore move to our 'contingency arrangements', **having exhausted all possible options to avoid this for as long as possible.**

#### **Years 7, 8 & 9**

Students in Years 7 to 9 will move to remote learning from tomorrow, **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2022**. My staff will be providing a combination of learning resources and 'live' lessons for the day. Where possible, Form Tutors will run a 'live' registration at 8.30am and it is expected that all students will log on. Please read our guidance for this on the school website [here](#).

**The school will continue to offer provision for the children of COVID19 critical workers and those children identified as 'vulnerable' due to having an EHCP or an allocated social worker. If you require a place in school for your child for these reasons, please email your request to [schooloffice@oldershaw.wirral.sch.uk](mailto:schooloffice@oldershaw.wirral.sch.uk). Your child should then attend as normal on Friday.**

#### **Years 10, 11, 12 & 13**

As examination year groups, we have prioritised face-to-face learning for Year 10, Year 11, Year 12 (for their exams) and Year 13 as far as we are able to do so, and therefore they should attend as normal tomorrow.

**I will review the situation with regard to Monday 7<sup>th</sup> February tomorrow morning as the staffing picture emerges and confirm arrangements for all students' education before 3pm Friday 4<sup>th</sup> February.**

I would like to thank all parents and carers for their continued support in such a challenging time. I also want to thank my staff, who continue to go 'above and beyond' in a difficult situation to support the pupils in our care. I am hopeful that this disruption remains short-lived, and all pupils are able to return to face to face education at the earliest possible opportunity.

Yours faithfully,

**Mr Jon Bush, Principal**