



ST. THOMAS MORE LANGUAGE COLLEGE

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Dear Family

Hoping this email finds you all physically, emotionally and spiritually safe and well.

Preparations for September 2020

Following previous communications concerning the start of term, please find below an outline for Friday 4 September until Wednesday 9 September 2020.

Start of Term Arrangements	Details – students to be in school uniform from day 1
Friday 4 September 2020	New Yr7 only, and HeadG/B; Deputies; and Heads of House. Yr 7 to arrive at 9.15AM. Induction day until 12.00PM. Staggered departure from 12.00 – 12.20PM.
Monday 7 September 2020	Yr7 and 8 only. Arrival by no later than 9.00AM – Yr7 to the Hall, Yr8 at 10.00AM to the playground. Yr7 staggered dismissal at 12.30PM. Yr8 at 1.30PM.
Tuesday 8 September 2020	Yr9 , 10 and 11 only. Yr11 arrive at 9.00AM to the Hall. Yr10 at 9.30AM to playground. Yr9 at 10.00AM to playground. Yr11 dismissed at 1.00PM. Yr10 at 1.10PM. Yr9 at 1.20PM.
Wednesday 9 September 2020	All year groups on a staggered start and finish. Details of start and finish times to be sent out closer the date. The Canteen will be offering 'take away' food from this date – details to follow. This will involve two 'lunch breaks built into the day. One at 11.00 till 11.30AM. These pupils will leave school earlier than the students that eat at 1.20PM.

We have taken into account the current Government Guidance, which may change, and your responses to the questionnaire we sent out.

From Wednesday 9 September, a 'transition timetable' will be in place until the school can return to normal opening hours and movement around the building. At present we are having to plan for 'Year Group' sized bubbles that cannot mix and teachers have to be able to keep social distancing from the students. This will involve staggered starts and finishes to the day. Details of this will be sent out closer to the starting date. In this way we will be responding to the most up to date guidance from the Government and can adapt out plans if they change closer the time.

A RISK ASSESSMENT document is in place outlining in detail how we will operate under these circumstances until further notice. This will be shared with staff, students and parents/carers closer to the start date. I am sure you appreciate the complexity of such arrangements at STMLC, but we are confident that with our adjustments, which includes installing outside wash basins for the frequent washing of hands; staggered starts and finishes; different lunchtimes; a variety of entrances and exits being used and the rearrangement of classroom spaces, that we will be able to function safely within the Government Guidelines.



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I also appreciate how frustrating this must all be with a lack of detail for a number of questions people are asking, but we do not have the answers at this stage, as we are waiting for confirmation of final guidance from the Government over the Summer. Please bear with us with all this uncertainty as we are all in this together. The issue of the removal of free transport for under 18s is also a major concern. If you have not signed the numerous petitions going around, please do so.

E.g. <https://www.change.org/p/transport-for-london-stop-tfl-from-removing-free-travel-for-under-18s>

The Summer Work Booklets can be found at the following link – this was sent out previously with the booklets:

<https://www.stmlc.co.uk/news-and-events/latest-news/summer-booklets>

Despite needing to keep up with our studies – we must ensure we get some serious downtime and recreation. Recreation is about recreating ourselves and others around us. So be creative and do not waste the time. I would recommend reading and reading and a bit more reading. I would also recommend practising some L2L strategies for memorising.

Results from the Poetry Competition: Winners will be announced on return and prizes given out. Who would have thought we would still be in LOCKDOWN when the competition was set!

Next year is all about starting off with **'Welcome Forward'**, and then going forward together as a family. I have also enclosed our Mass card for the Summer break below.

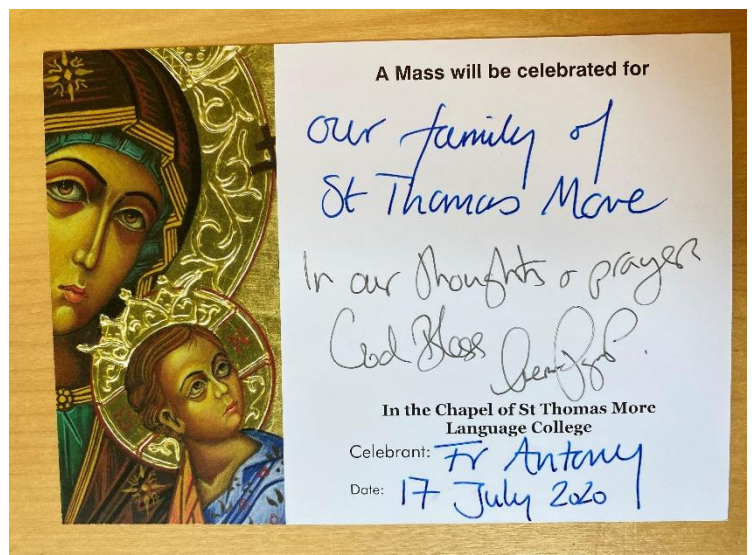
God Bless
Dr T Papworth

20 July 2020

Dear God

**We can only do our best, so help us not fall short of our best
which is to
help You achieve the impossible through us
through Jesus Christ our Lord
Amen**

**St Thomas More
Pray for us
Our Lady of Perpetual Succour
Pray for us**



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