

Ernest Bevin College and Sixth Form Centre



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Dear Parents and Carers,

This is a letter to update families on the current situation and inform you about the arrangements for the end of term and the reopening after the holiday.

We are proud to have kept the College open every day this term despite having a number of students and staff who have tested positive for Covid-19 and a larger number having to self-isolate. The education and wellbeing of the students has been a priority throughout the term and we have succeeded in keeping lessons running as close to normal as possible.

We have been in regular contact with the DFE and Public Health England and followed all the advice that they have given.

Our remote learning provision (Canvas and Teams) is up and running, whilst it does not replicate a day at College, it does allow students to engage in their studies. It is crucial that students are not disadvantaged in the long term by gaps in their education and we ask parents to support the college by encouraging their child(ren) to participate in all online lessons and work that is set online.

Friday 18th December is our last day of term. Lunch will be available. Students will be dismissed at staggered times through the Student Entrance onto Beechcroft Road:

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12/13
12.20pm	12.30pm	12pm	12.10pm	12.40pm	12.25pm

Should any student fall ill with Covid symptoms during the first 6 days of the holiday, families should contact the College. We have reopened the collegeclosure@ernestbevin.london mailbox for contact outside of College opening hours with Covid-19 or other urgent concerns.

Please be aware that the College will open to students on Monday 4th January. There will be a late start to the College day to allow the new Principal (Ms Dohel) to meet with the whole staff body, followed by assemblies with students. Years 7 to 9 should arrive between 9.35 and 9.50am, Years 10 and 11 between 9.50 and 10.05am and Years 12 and 13 between 10.05 and 10.20am. Students should arrive at their normal entrances, these timings are for 4th January only.

We take this opportunity to thank all members of the College Community (students, staff and families) for their huge flexibility, determination, understanding and good humour over the course of what has been a hugely challenging term.

Yours,

Christian Kingsley