Dear Parent / Carer

It has been wonderful to start welcoming students back to school this week and I am very impressed with the way they have quickly got used to the new procedures. As part of our arrangements to keep the different year group 'bubbles' separate, we will be using different year group entrances starting tomorrow. We will have staff on duty to guide students but please ensure that your son / daughter is aware of the entrance they should use:

Year 7	Enter through the pedestrian gate at the side of school and follow the outside of the building to the De La Salle Centre
Year 8	Enter through the pedestrian gate at the side of school and enter the building through the side entrance by Additional Needs and use the current 'up' stairs
Year 9	Enter the building through the main entrance and use Village Square stairs
Year 10	Enter the building through the main entrance and use current 'down' stairs
Year 11	Enter through the pedestrian gate at the side of school and enter the building via the link corridor
Sixth Form	Enter through the pedestrian gate at the side of school and enter the building via the rear door of the Village Square

Please remember that tomorrow (Wednesday) we will have Years 7, 11, 12 & 13 on site and all year groups on Thursday.

As always, we urge parents and carers to take care when dropping off or collecting their child from school by car. Please do not park on pavements, or in bus bays or the cycle lane, or blocking neighbours' drives - or anywhere you might be causing an obstruction. Please do not use the visitor car park as a drop off and collection point, unless you require it for disabled access, as this is causing congestion on the school grounds and adding to the problems on Rochdale Road.

Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM) have confirmed the addition number 17 school services to accommodate the later start and finish times. I am working with the Local Authority, Andy Burnham's office and Chris Clarkson MP to try and secure the additional 781 & 788 services. Please check the bus company websites here and here for the latest information.

And finally, just a reminder to make sure that you have set up your ParentPay account and loaded money as we will not be able to accept cash payments for lunches.

I will continue to provide further updates when I have more information.

Mr A Bridson Headteacher