

Tuesday 11th January 2022

Dear All.

As I spoke about in my newsletter last week, I want to give you some more detail on the arrangements for students when they are working at the Langdale Centre. Effectively what we are creating is a mini Marden High School on the Langdale Centre site and to that extent, many of the expectations, provisions and procedures are the same as they always have been at Marden.

Students will be grouped in their normal classes according to their timetables and this will support our key priority to maximise curriculum and learning continuity. Teaching staff will also therefore be teaching according to their normal timetables, and this means that it may not be logistically possible for them to travel to the Langdale Centre to teach a class face to face themselves. In this case they will be providing instruction and learning tasks online for their students, and the children will be supported face to face by teaching staff who are at the Langdale Centre. Online input will include live streamed instruction and discussion, screencasts, google stream interaction, and slide based tasks. Each student will access their learning via an individual chrome book and the classroom screen, and they will be able to ask questions and seek specific support from both their subject teacher and the member of staff in their classroom. There will also be practical activities to provide variety. Specialist Support Assistants will be supporting students with SEND so that they have the necessary support in place to allow access to the curriculum. Arrangements for all Year 8 and Year 9 students are as follows:

	Year 8	Year 9
Week B - from Monday 17th January		
Monday	Langdale Centre	Marden
Tuesday	Langdale Centre	Marden
Wednesday	Langdale Centre	Marden
Thursday	Marden	Langdale Centre

Friday	Marden	Langdale Centre
Week A - from Monday 24th January		
Monday	Marden	Langdale Centre
Tuesday	Marden	Langdale Centre
Wednesday	Marden	Langdale Centre
Thursday	Langdale Centre	Marden
Friday	Langdale Centre	Marden

On the days when they are based at the Langdale Centre, students will need to arrive at Marden at 8.45am and make their way to the Cafe and sit in their form group for registration. They should not arrive at school before this time due to lack of space. They will then board one of three coaches to be taken to the Langdale Centre. Coaches will depart the Langdale Centre at 2.45pm returning to Marden at around 3pm. As the coach company has other pre-existing bookings, timings will be exact, and so it is important that students arrive on time at Marden in the morning. If a student is late and misses the coach, they will need to report to reception at Marden High School and we will need to contact parents or carers to make arrangements. Unfortunately we have no provision for getting late students over to the Langdale Centre. First day absence calls will of course continue to be made by our attendance team. Students will be in full uniform as normal and should continue to wear PE kit on days when they are timetabled PE. We hope to have use of a gym at the Langdale Centre, though this may not be in place immediately. Children should also have standard school equipment with them each day, including planner and reading book.

Our expectations, educational provision and standards at the Langdale Centre will be those same high expectations and standards of education and behaviour that we have on our main Marden High School site. Our Behaviour for Learning policy recognises 'reward, support, sanction' and this remains the case during our time across the Marden High site and the Langdale Centre as our expectations of behaviour and safeguarding continue to be consistent across the two sites. Safeguarding of everyone at Marden High School remains paramount, especially when on a new site, therefore our same, thorough procedures remain in place to ensure this. The Langdale Centre has been risk assessed and the buildings have been secured in line with Safeguarding procedures. Remember that if you have a

safeguarding concern about any child whilst we are operating over two sites, you should contact the

Safeguarding Team by telephone or email Mrs Reece (Safeguarding Lead) at b.reece@mardenhigh.net.

Our steps to support students in making positive choices regarding their behaviour will continue at the

Langdale Centre as it does in the main school with the C1 to C4 classroom ladder. Should any student

require support in any of these aspects of pastoral care, there will be pastoral and senior staff at both

sites throughout each week to guide, advise and intervene where necessary. Opportunities to earn

House Points are available each lesson through outstanding contributions to lessons, excellent progress

within lessons and during the week of Golden Ticket. The information covered in this letter will be the

subject of an assembly for all students in Year 9 (Wednesday morning) and Year 8 (Friday morning)

when they are in school, giving their Form Tutor the opportunity to go through this information with them,

and for students to ask any questions to clarify their understanding.

It is worth noting that most extra-curricular activities continue to be offered even whilst we are

compromised for space, and also when students have spent the day at the Langdale Centre. All

extra-curricular activities take place at Marden High School, and the programme can be found on the

school website under the 'Life at Marden' tab.

There will be a 'Marden reception' at the entrance to the Langdale Centre, with Marden staff, and this is

where any parent or carer should report to if they are ever collecting their child for a medical

appointment. Each day there will be a senior member of staff, Ms Wallace, Deputy Head, or Mrs

Robson, Assistant Head, based at the Langdale Centre and they will be available for communication

with parents. The school phone number remains the same.

Please do contact me if there are any queries you may have, and I will do my best to answer you. We

have come a long way together through the challenges of the past couple of years and it is by continuing

to work in partnership that we can maintain our optimism and achieve the best future for our children.

Thank you for your continued support and take care.

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