

14 September 2022

Dear families,

I am writing to you at the end of what has been an exciting first week of term following our record-breaking enrolment of YR1 students and the return of our YR2 cohort. The motivation and excitement felt around the college is indicative of a successful and enjoyable year ahead. This letter has a brief update for each year group and a really important clarification about traffic for all parents/carers.

Year 1

Our teachers and Progress Tutors will be spending time this half term getting to know our first year students and helping them to develop effective and consistent study habits required for A level study. It was my pleasure to meet many parents/carers at our 'New Parents Welcome Evening' and as discussed please continue to use our pastoral system Improve to monitor the achievement and attendance of your son/daughter. All the research shows that attendance is one of the keys to success at A level and it's so important students only miss College if they are so ill they cannot leave the house at all.

Year 2

This half term our returning Year 2 students will be focusing on preparing their university applications. Our Early Entry students (Medicine, Dentistry and Oxbridge) are working towards the UCAS deadline of 15th October and the remaining cohort are focusing on meeting the D6A deadline in early December. We have planned a trip to Manchester University Open day where we will run enough coaches to allow families to attend with their sons/daughters – more details will follow about this.

Traffic – picking up and dropping off

I know lots of people drive to College – but our preference is that students arrive by public transport. This is for two reasons, to support our students with their health and independence and also to support the environment please encourage the use of public transport by our students and/or consider dropping your son/daughter away from the college campus where students are then encouraged to walk a short distance to college.

As it's increasingly busy, we are continuing to see a significant increase in congestion on Bowling Old Lane (college entrance). Our first lesson of the day begins at 8:50am and it is our expectation that all students with a period 1 lesson should be in the college building by 8:45am. To help students ensure that they are on time and to support those arriving on public transport the college is open to students from 8:20am.

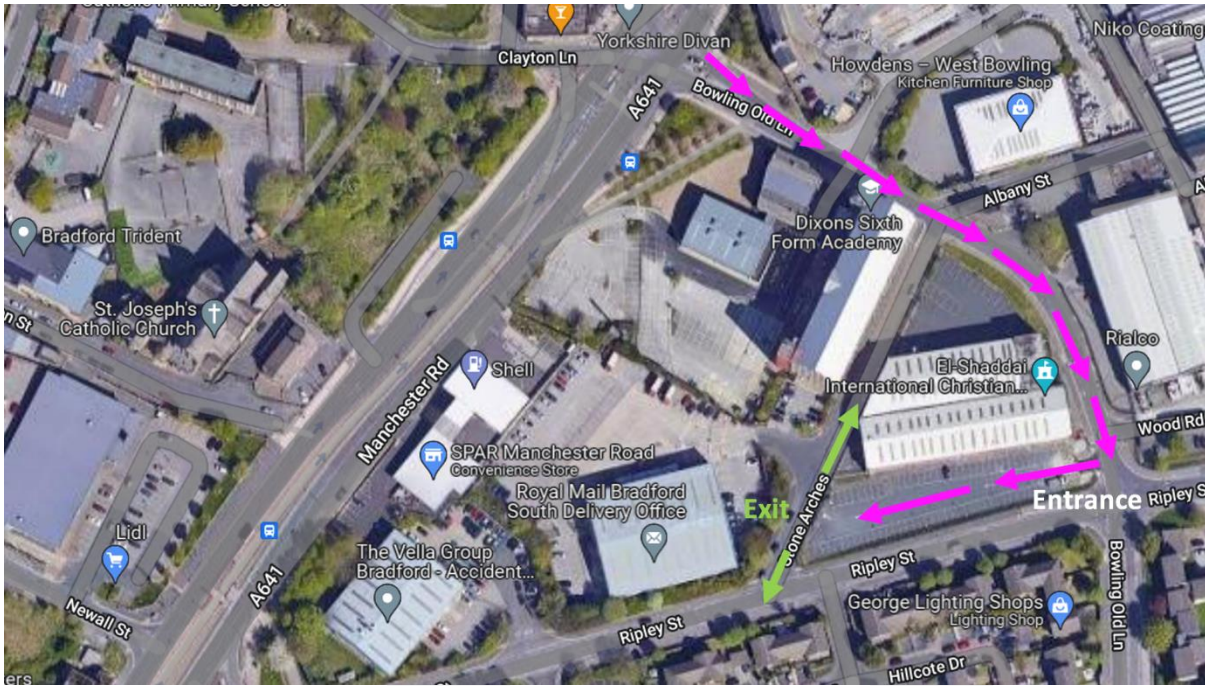
To help alleviate congestion outside the college I would like to encourage parent/carers dropping their son/daughter to utilise our earlier opening time and also use our Student Drop-Off Point, avoiding stopping on double yellow lines. This is a safer solution for all and continues to support our work with the wider Bradford community and the businesses who need access to their working premises.



Student Drop Off Point

To access the Student Drop Off Point please;

1. Access the green gated car park by turning left or right off Bowling Old Lane (avoiding the Stone Arches).
2. Please use this space to drop off your son/daughter and then drive to the top of the car park (electronic gates will open)
3. Exit left onto Stone Arches joining Ripley Street or right driving down Stone Arches re-joining Bowling Old Lane.



Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Rothery'.

Mark Rothery
Principal

