

Kimberley School

SIXTH FORM

BULLETIN

6th

Week beginning Monday 30th November 2020 (Week B)

Important dates

- Cambridge Technical Exams- many of you have exams after Christmas. Please create a revision timetable this week.
- **Forward notice.... Mock Exam Week: These will take place in the week 8th-12th February (in 8 school weeks)**

To prepare please keep going over work you have done in class and Year 13s please make sure you are going over Year 12 work.

- **Subject mentoring continues again this week- please see later on in the Bulletin which subjects are this week**
- **Friday 11th December: Christmas Jumper Day- pay £1 please**
- **Friday 18th December: Start of Christmas Holidays (we finish at the end of period 3- no UCAS club as school will close early)**
- **Friday 15th January (6pm): Final date for sending UCAS applications but ideally we want them all sent by Thursday 17th December (6pm).**

Please Note!

- **The ICT suite in the Sixth Form Centre will go quiet after school at 3.30 pm each day. This is to give you an extra facility to work in, without distraction, as we start heading for some January exams and coursework deadlines loom.**

Please note!

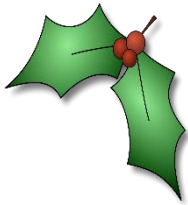
- **Please wear your lanyard at all times in school – if you have lost yours or it is broken please see Mrs Booth**
- **Please use the sanitary bins provided in the toilets for all used sanitary items**

Tis the Season to be Jolly.....!

Please could we have lots of help putting our up on Monday after school. If anyone has decorations they would like to donate, be gratefully received.



Christmas trees
any
these would



Charity Matters.....

Our next Charity Event is on Friday 11th December



Please pay £1 and wear you Christmas Jumper to raise money for
Save the Children

Safety matters

- Please don't let anyone in to school using your lanyard....only yourself.

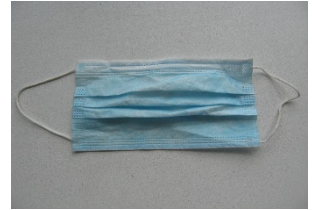
A number of students aren't wearing their lanyards- this is a safeguarding requirement so please do so.



- Thank you for continuing to wear your face masks and please remember to observe the 2m distancing



guidelines around school.



- Following national developments face masks are compulsory in school when not eating, drinking or in lessons - If you forget your mask please see Mrs Booth, but do be aware that we have limited funds to keep supplying them. (If you can donate 50p if you need one – that would be great).
- **Please wipe down the tables and chairs after lessons or when you have been using them, you can use the wipes or sanitising spray in the room. PLEASE REMEMBER TO WASH YOUR HANDS BEFORE AND AFTER EATING AND REGULARLY THROUGH THE DAY**
- Wiping down: please wipe the keyboard/ table before you work on it
- Please also remember that you should not closely congregate together during break and lunch.
- When working in the Common Room or any classroom you should work facing forwards at all times.
- Please stay in the 6th Form areas at break and lunchtime if you are on site. Please do not go to the main canteen.
- Please don't share drinks etc. and please think about how you are standing when chatting- are you too near? Please keep to the safety advice.
- Please be very quiet when moving around main school during lesson changeovers





The New 6th Form Centre

- Please continue to use the bins provided for your rubbish including chewing gum as this is really hard to remove from surfaces and looks horrible. We have a litter picking devise that you are welcome to borrow, so if you see litter and are willing to help keep the place as perfect as possible come and borrow it!
- **Toilets:** Thank you for following the 'lid down' policy- please continue to do so.
- **Eating in the IT suite:** Due to safety measures we are aware there aren't enough seats in the Common Room so we understand that until this changes some of you will need to eat upstairs in order to sit down. As the floor is carpeted in the IT Suite we really need a complete '**no crumb policy**' up there please. Please wipe the table before you sit down to eat and wipe as you leave as lessons take place in there. **We have put more chairs in there and tables. There is no reason to sit on a table so please don't 😊**
- **Please also don't turn chairs around, unless you are keeping a 2m distance.**

Study periods

Thank you all for respecting our quiet study period in the Common Room, the attitude to learning this week has again been fantastic, you are showing what mature and conscientious young people you are. The IT suite also needs to be silent during lesson times so that you can focus fully on your work.

Remember, if you need a quiet place to study, the Common Room and IT suite are open until **6.00pm each day**. It has been great to see so many of you using it already to work in before and after school.

If you have a group task that is going to involve you needing to talk to each other, during study periods or after school please see Mrs Booth who will do her best to find a space for you. **Please don't use the Meeting Room without permission and please don't eat in there.**

Signing in and out : Please make sure you take a few seconds to sign into the Common Room when you arrive and sign out when you leave the school premises



(for example if you are going out for lunch). This will help us to have a clear idea of who is in school should we need to evacuate in an emergency.

Use of the Internet in school... it is for study use ...

You are probably aware that we are having some problems with the internet provision in the 6th Form centre. Therefore, please don't use your phones to access anything that isn't necessary for your studies as this is, our IT technicians tell us, having an impact

We know many of you use your phones to access websites to help with your studies, but please be aware that the ICT staff can see what you are downloading – please don't sit and watch films downloaded from Netflix or endless YouTube videos. This time is valuable study time to do homework, write up notes, research etc and is affecting those who need access to the internet for academic purposes. Thank you.

Role models: Please set a good example at all times

Please do not use your phone publicly when moving around school. As Sixth Formers, you play a big part in setting the work ethic around school. If younger students see you on your phones then they may feel that this is acceptable behaviour.

Dress Code

Just a reminder to all sixth form students that although there is a non-uniform policy, appropriate clothing is expected to be worn, school is a professional environment and the way we dress needs to reflect this.

Joke of the week:

What should you sing at a snowman's birthday



party?.



Millie Archer – 2nd December

Lily Orme – 3rd December



Year 13 – UCAS 30 applications have now been sent.....

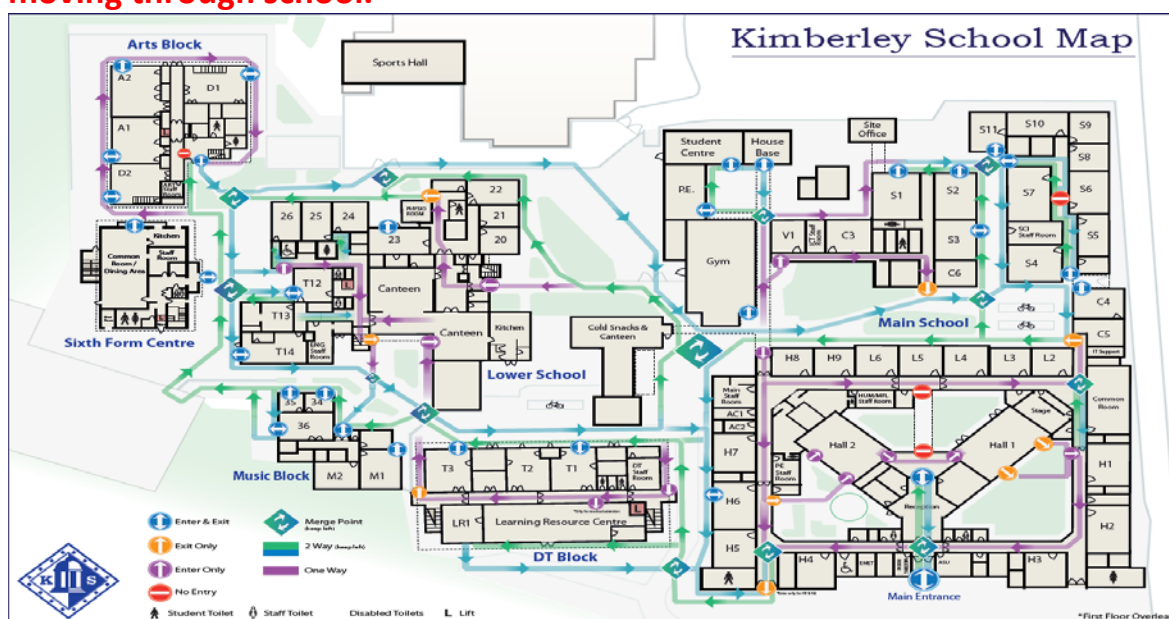
We are trying to be available at breaks and lunchtimes in the IT Suite as well as after school on Tuesdays and Fridays. Please see your tutors with your Personal Statements so that they can check them to save time

When? Friday after school

Where? Common Room

The one way system: Please note the direction you must go around main school when wanting to leave school.....turn left on entry and keep going around.

Please, please be aware that lessons are going on all day around school- you must move quietly around when leaving and moving. Please wear a mask when moving through school.



Main school can be accessed via the main reception however it will only be possible to either enter reception or turn left on arrival:

- During the day students will only enter main school via the rear door (facing the gym) and will turn left to pass the language classrooms and then all the way around until H4 where they will have no choice but to exit by the doors adjacent to the boy's toilets.



- Access via the door adjacent to the boy's toilet is only permissible to students who have lessons in H4 and H5. Students should line up outside the toilets on the markers and will be collected by staff teaching in these areas.
- H6 and C5 classrooms use their own external entrances/exit doors

6th Form centre one way reminder

Sixth form

Students requiring access to lessons should enter the Sixth Form Centre via the main entrance and use the front staircase, keeping to the left within the corridors. Students should exit via the rear staircase to reduce congestion. Students requiring access to the common room should enter via the side door opposite the Art block. They should either leave by the rear exit to the garden or go through to the foyer and up the stairs to access lessons.

If you need to speak to a member of staff please use the window at the office or the office door from the common room observing the 2m rule and wearing a face mask if you want to talk to a member of staff. **Face masks need to be worn in the foyer, stairs and corridors of the new centre**

A message for Year 12s about their photos on their lanyards which are their Year

11 uniform photos....

Would you like to update your photo on the school system?

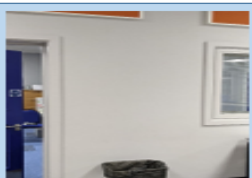
We know that some of you still have old Year 11 photos on there are, and now look different so we have asked to see what can be done about this. At the moment, it will just be updated on the system, not on lanyards.

Mr Draycott has kindly offered to update your school photo with one you email to him, if you follow the rules outlined here.

Email your photo to reprographics@kimberleyschool.co.uk from your school email address.

Take the photo against a plain white/very light grey background. The space of wall next to the common room office is a suitable place at school

Try and stand around half a metre from the wall



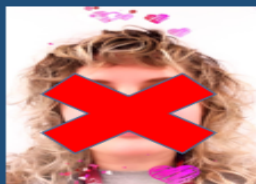
Make sure there isn't anything in the background, such as the window or another person



Don't angle the camera up or down. Don't turn your body or head.



Please don't use any filters



Please don't pout or over-pose



Plain background
Looking straight forwards at a level camera
Feel free to smile!



Joke Answer

A. Freeze a jolly good fellow

Financial help in the Sixth Form

Bursary

If you think you may qualify for a financial payment, please use the following link:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=h4JaFYDSiky-6glrnTAOBhbVGSkW34RlgrKjl0BYkC1UQkMzOUY4M1VKNIFWVIYzQU42N1JJSkg4Si4u>

If you have received free school meals in Year 11 or your parents have an NHS Exemption certificate you will certainly be entitled to a monthly payment from school to help you. Additionally, if your parents earn less than £20,000 you will be entitled to help (If the household income is less than £25,000 you may also get some help. If you have received free school meals in the past you are entitled to them again, from the 6th Form canteen. Please talk to Mrs Booth if you are worried about this.

Careers Advice

We have the careers advisor in school for some extra sessions before Christmas on Wednesdays. If you would like an appointment please see Mrs Booth

Emails

Please keep checking your emails, this is a vital tool for helping us communicate important information to you. If you have any problems with your school email account, please go and see our ICT staff or mention it to Mrs Booth.

SMHW

You should all have login details for this, please see Mrs Booth if you have forgotten yours

Ready to Learn: Please prepare properly before your lessons. Subject staff will set work for forthcoming lesson. If you fail to do this you will not be ready to learn and your progress, given the amount of sheer content at A Level, will be seriously affected. Please be, '**Ready to Learn**'.



Hot drinks-please don't walk around with hot drinks unless they are in a covered top cup-all it takes is for you to be bumped in to and someone could get burnt.

Please do not take holidays in term time: Please do not book holidays during term time. Please talk to your parents about this. Year 12 break up for the summer on 23rd July next year so please ensure your parents know this.

Subject Support

Media Support

Miss O'Brien has offered additional support with Y13 in her classroom Weds B Period 1,

There will be reading materials, the computers and paper/printers etc. should you need them too.

Don't miss out on extra help!

Maths support in school: A very important message from Mr Jolly

Additional Mathematics Support Sessions

When?

Monday 30th November: Year 12 only - Algebraic Manipulation with RJ in LR1 15:15 - 16:00

Thursday 3rd December: Both Years - Mathematics Drop-In session. Meet in Room 29 at 15:10

Monday 7th December: Year 13 only - Calculus Methods with RJ in LR1 15:15 - 16:00

Thursday 10th December: Both Years - Mathematics Drop-In session. Meet in Room 29 at 15:10

Monday 14th December: Both Years - Problem Solving with RJ in LR1 15:15 - 16:00

What?



Monday sessions are additional revision lessons, where a whole topic is recapped, with a specific focus on how the key learning points are applied to exam style questions. As with any lesson, you are expected to make detailed notes and complete practice questions during these sessions.

Thursday drop-in sessions are designed to give you the opportunity to get detailed, individualised support with your independent study. BEFORE the session you should identify your own areas of weakness or misunderstanding by completing independent study. Then, at the session, you can talk one of our Mathematics Teachers about how to fix these problems. You are expected to bring your own further practice questions to the session so that you can immediately practice implementing the advice you have been given.

Safety

Monday sessions are conducted in such a way that the same safety protocols for normal lessons can be applied.

Thursday sessions may require that mini bubbles of students and teachers work in separate rooms and this will be coordinated at the start of each session (depending on the attendance for that session).

Subject mentoring

Please Year 12s take advantage of the advice and support Year 13s are offering you.....

This week

Tuesday: Art and Biology

Thursday: English Literature, English Literature and Language, Physics

NHS opportunities

Are you interested in the opportunity to have a live 20 minutes virtual Q&A session with an NHS member of staff from one of the following areas:

- Training, Education & Development
- Pharmacy
- Human Resources
- Finance
- Clinical Nurse Specialist Emergency Surgery

We can't do a practical live session with you but each member of staff will talk about their role and their career progression. Students can send in questions beforehand to be answered at the session.

Please see one of the sixth form team if you are interested



Future Doctors Week - Online

April 12th - April 16th 2021

Online Medical Work Experience and Application Masterclass Course.

[Click on the link for more information](https://www.premedprojects.co.uk/future-doctors-week-online)

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Do you want a Healthy planet? What about this challenge

Sherwood Forest Hospitals provide outstanding healthcare in Mansfield, Ashfield, Newark, Sherwood and parts of Derbyshire and Lincolnshire. We work with 5,000 colleagues in our three hospitals – King's Mill, Newark and Mansfield Community. The National Health Service (NHS) is committed to taking action on climate change and improving public health along the way. The NHS has launched its own grassroots campaign 'For a Greener NHS' to encourage staff and hospitals to cut their impact on people's health and the environment.

The Trust's Climate Action Team is working for a greener NHS and are reviewing the health implications of climate change.

Brief

This project is for junior and secondary school students. We would like students to run a campaign or create a project to raise awareness of how healthy people can help towards a healthy planet. This could include, but is not limited to, the following areas:

- Air quality
- Alcohol & drugs
- Diet
- Exercise
- Mental health
- Recycling
- Sexual health
- Smoking
- Tree planting.

Following the campaign/project students are asked to create a short PowerPoint presentation to explain what their objectives were and how they met these objectives and submit their entry into a competition.

Deadline for submission of entries:

31/03/21. The entries will be shortlisted by the Climate Action Team and the winning team will receive a prize.



Email entries to:

sfh-tr.nottsworkeexperiencehub@nhs.net

Ambition Nottingham Post-16 Programme - Applications Open

The programme will run in Year 12 (or Year 1 of a vocational course) and throughout Year 13 (Year 2), to support your students' progression to higher education and future careers. We plan to run the majority of sessions online however we will look at future opportunities for students to visit our campus, if Covid-19 restrictions are lifted.

The programme is designed for students who wish to progress onto Higher Education courses in a range of different subject areas. We will continue to offer support in choosing the right course, personal statement advice, general application support and opportunities to hear from our current students.

New this year are the 5 subject streams

Arts and Humanities (American and Canadian studies, Culture, Media and Visual studies, English, History, Languages and Liberal Arts)

Biomedical Sciences (Biomedical Sciences, Cancer Sciences and Genetics)

Business (Accounting, Finance and Management)

Health Sciences (Midwifery, Nursing, Physiotherapy and Sport Rehabilitation and Exercise)

Social Sciences (Criminology, International Relations, Law, Politics and Sociology)

Priority for subject specific sessions will be given to participants from backgrounds which are under-represented in Higher Education. Further details are available on our website.

Applications are now open and close on 4th December 2020

For more information, the application form and full entry criteria, [visit](#) our website.

You can view a video of the presentation and download our flyer on our [Ambition Post 16 website](#).

If you have any further questions, then please contact us at ambition@nottingham.ac.uk

Year 13 Personal Statement help.....are you struggling to get going?



Personal Statements.....

This is a vital part of your UCAS application, and it's what really distinguishes you from everyone else. Other people will have the same GCSEs and the same predicted grades as you. What is it that makes you different and special and the sort of student that your chosen university (hopefully Leicester!) will really want?

Our academics say...

We asked the Admissions Tutors in some of our subjects for tips and advice, and they identified six key things to consider when writing your personal statement:

1. Sell your enthusiasm and your passion for the subject
2. Show you have the right character
3. Use your past experience
4. Be confident, stand out from the crowd
5. Talk about your aspiration
6. Pay attention to detail

[Read more advice from our Admissions Tutors.](#)

Our students say...

We also asked Charlotte, one of our student ambassadors, for her tips, which you can [read on her blog](#).

Charlotte says: "It is so much better to go into greater depth on a couple of points than to skim quickly over a lot of things."

Remember...

Don't expect to knock your personal statement off in one go. There's an old saying: 'writing is re-writing'. Most people write far more and longer than they need to, so take out the waffle and the bits that aren't relevant. Use plain English where you can. Don't try to show off – you'll get no extra points for using longer words!

When you're completely happy with your personal statement – print it out and proof read it. Then get other people to proof read it. Then proof read it again.

Want to know more?

We've designed a [pool of activities](#) to help give your statement that additional boost it needs to score a 10 on the judges scorecard.

More opportunities....Year 12 and 13

Please see below an amazing set of 'virtual opportunities' where you can find out about a possible future career pathway/course.

The Young Doctor Programmes





- Experience A&E
- Shadow a doctor on a ward round
- Comprehensive medical school application coaching



21st - 22nd November OR 5th - 6th
December 2020

The Young Lawyer Programmes



- Experience a murder trial
- Cross-examine witnesses
- Meet corporate lawyers
- Argue a human rights case



5th - 6th December 2020

The Young Artist
Programme



- Master your medium
- Brand your talent
- Pitch to experts
- Curate an exhibition

 23rd - 24th January 2021

The Young International Development Expert
Programme



- Execute a humanitarian project
- Pitch sustainable strategies
- Advocate climate commitments
- Complete post-disaster evaluations

 30th - 31st January 2021

And a great set of 'Educational opportunities': Please see below a set of free lectures

Gresham College's free public lectures (running since 1597).

Our lectures are delivered by world-class experts in fields ranging across the arts and sciences. For teachers, they are highly relevant to the school and post-16 curriculum. For students they are a resource for careers advice, EPQ projects and UCAS statements. They are currently held online, and we have a searchable back catalogue of 2,500 free digital lectures on our website (ordered by school subject at www.gresham.ac.uk/schools).

2020-21 LECTURES:

ASTRONOMY

A series called [Cosmic Vision](#) by Astronomy Professor Katherine Blundell, and another by Visiting Professor Roberto Trotta, [The Unexpected Universe](#).

BUSINESS / ECONOMICS

A series on [The Psychology of Finance](#) by Business Professor Alex Edmans; a series on [Intergenerational Justice](#) by Visiting Professor Martin Daunton.

CLASSICS

A three part series on [Great Thinkers](#) by Visiting Professor Edith Hall.

ENGLISH

The [Powers of the Novel](#) by Visiting Professor John Mullan, a one-off lecture on [Offensive Shakespeare](#), a series on 'classic' film, [Exploding the Film Canon](#) by Visiting Professor Ian Christie.

GEOGRAPHY

Two short series about the environment, [Our Connected World](#), and [How to Build a Just and Prosperous Planet](#), by Professor Jacqueline McGlade.

HISTORY

A fascinating series on [Evil Women](#) in history by Professor Joanna Bourke; a series on [England's Reformations](#) by Professor Alec Ryrie; a [Black History Month](#) series; a series about [Darwin](#) and his impact by Visiting Professor Jim Endersby and lots of [one-off lectures](#).



IT

[Great Ideas From Computer Science](#) by Professor Richard Harvey, which includes algorithms, data, programs and networks; a lecture on [AI and Humour](#) by Visiting Professor Yorick Wilks.

LAW / POLITICS / CITIZENSHIP

[Death, the State and Human Rights](#) by Professor Leslie Thomas QC will discuss police restraint and inquests into deaths in custody (Black Lives Matter); [The Politics of the Courtroom](#) by Visiting Professor Thomas Grant will weigh the balance between politicians and the courts.

MATHEMATICS

Gresham Professor Sarah Hart will look at [Mathematics in Music and Writing](#), Professor Kevin Buzzard will ask [Will Computers Outsmart Mathematicians](#), Dr Kit Yates discusses [The Maths of Life and Death](#).

MEDICINE

[Major Debates in Public Health](#) by the Chief Medical Officer for England Professor Chris Whitty, and [Performing Medicine](#) by Visiting Professor Roger Kneebone includes a lecture on knife crime.

MUSIC

[Russian Piano Masterpieces](#) by Music Professor Marina Frolova-Walker; [100 years of BBC Radio](#) by Visiting Professor Jeremy Summerly; Dr Xenia Pestova-Bennett will look at [Toy and Cyborg Pianos](#).

News Items of the Week : Latest news on Covid restrictions....

Covid: Risk of third wave 'if we don't get balance right' - Raab



England could face a third wave of coronavirus if ministers do not "get the balance right" with restrictions, Foreign Secretary Dominic Raab says.



He defended the move to a tiered approach when England's lockdown ends on Wednesday, saying the curbs are needed to "bear down" on the pandemic. MPs will vote on the system on Tuesday, with Labour undecided on its stance. The PM has told MPs the restrictions will expire on 3 February in a bid to stop a Commons rebellion.

In a letter to all MPs and peers, Boris Johnson said rules could be eased in December, MPs could vote again in January, and the tier system could end in February.

But Labour's shadow foreign secretary Lisa Nandy said her party's support was "not unconditional" and they were seeking "clarity" about the tier system.

England's new system will see regions placed in one of three tiers: medium, high and very high.

In total, 99% of England will enter the highest two tiers, with tight restrictions on bars and restaurants and a ban on households mixing indoors. Only Cornwall, the Isle of Wight and Isles of Scilly will be in the lowest tier..

Key differences in England tier system

TIER 1: MEDIUM

Follow the rule of six if meeting indoors or outdoors

Pubs and restaurants to shut at 11pm

People encouraged to minimise travel and work from home where possible

Spectators allowed at sports events and live performances (limited numbers)

Personal care including hairdressing allowed

TIER 2: HIGH

No household mixing indoors

Rule of six will apply outdoors

Pubs and restaurants to shut at 11pm

Alcohol only served as part of substantial meal

Spectators allowed at sports events and live performances (limited numbers)

Personal care including hairdressing allowed

TIER 3: VERY HIGH

No household mixing indoors or outdoors in hospitality venues or private gardens

Rule of six applies in outdoor public spaces like parks

Pubs/restaurants closed except for delivery and takeaway

Indoor entertainment venues closed

Guidance against travelling in and out of the area

Personal care including hairdressing allowed

When asked whether there could be a third national lockdown, Mr Raab told the BBC's Andrew Marr the government was "doing everything we can to avoid that".

But he said there was a "risk" of a third wave "if we don't get the balance right".

He told Sky's Sophy Ridge on Sunday the tiers would be downgraded in areas where the virus was in retreat, saying: "We are starting with a more restrictive approach than previously with the localised approach.

"But that allows us to ease up when we are confident the virus is going down and stabilised - there's a review every two weeks."

Asked whether the government was looking at breaking counties into smaller areas for the tiers, given differences in rates of the virus within tier areas, Mr Raab said: "The problem

is you've got to get the geographic size sufficiently effective that you don't find the smaller enclaves of lower level virus shooting up because they are not subject to the restrictions in the high levels around them."

Labour's Ms Nandy told the BBC's Andrew Marr her party "will act in the public interest".

"We need to know first of all that these measures are tough enough to get control of the virus, otherwise what we are asking

businesses to do is go through significant pain, people laid off, some businesses at risk of collapsing, without being able to show that this is worth it," she said.

She added that there also needed to be "proper support" in place.

Meanwhile, in a bid to answer MPs' concerns, Mr Johnson wrote to them outlining a timeline of when - and how - the tiered approach will end.

BBC



In his letter, Mr Johnson said:

- Regulations have a "sunset" clause - or expiry date - of 3 February
- Tiers will be reviewed every two weeks, with the first review due on 16 December
- At the end of January, MPs will have another vote on the tiered approach and decide whether measures stay in place until the end of March
- The government will publish the circumstances that need to change for an area to move down a tier

In his letter to the public, the prime minister urged people to support the new system and "work together" with tiering, testing and vaccines.

Quote of the week

