

3<sup>rd</sup> November 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you are aware England will go into lockdown on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November. The Wey Valley Academy will remain open and all students are expected to attend unless your son or daughter falls into the **clinically extremely vulnerable** category, in which case they are advised to isolate during this period of lockdown. Work will be posted on Microsoft Teams and we will do all we can to support them.

The local and national situation is likely to change at very short notice especially with the potential of rising infection rates. I may be required to adapt how I structure the school day or whether I can continue to offer a full week of schooling to every year group. If I have to close any Bubbles or implement rota system in the event of staff shortages, then I will endeavour to notify you as soon as possible. At the present time all is well and we hope it continues that way.

All the arrangements we have previously had in place for the safety of staff and students will remain. Students will be expected to:

- Wash their hands regularly throughout the day
- Wear a mask in communal spaces
- Avoid physical contact and socially distance where possible
- Avoid mixing with students from other Bubbles

I will continue to monitor the situation and students who come into contact with someone who potentially has the virus whether this is at home or in school will be asked to isolate until results of any tests are known.

#### Online (remote) learning

If your son or daughter has to isolate due to Covid, or is off school for other reasons, they should now be able to access their learning remotely. The work provided by teachers is also supplemented by the Oak National Academy <https://www.thenational.academy/> On this site you will find hundreds of lessons that follow the National curriculum and ensure your child does not fall behind.

Yours faithfully



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