

December 18th 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

January 2021 Return to School Information & Mass Testing

Following the government announcement released late yesterday afternoon, I am writing to inform you of changes to the start of next term. The academy will open on Tuesday January 5th, 2021 but there will be a phased return to school.

Year 11

All Year 11 students will return to the academy as normal at **8:30am on Tuesday 5th January.**

Year 7, 8, 9 & 10

Students will receive remote education delivered by their teachers who will be in school. Students will access this learning through their Microsoft TEAMS following normal lesson timings according to their daily timetable. Students and parents can get more information about their remote learning and assistance with using TEAMS and 365 from the school website <http://weyvalley-academy.co.uk/pupils/remote-learning/>

Vulnerable students

Students identified as vulnerable, will attend school as normal from **8:30am on Tuesday 5th January.** On arrival they will meet in the WMH. We will confirm on Monday 4th January whether your child meets these criteria and should attend face-to-face learning.

Mr Lydford (Vice Principal Inclusion) will be the single point of contact for enquiries regarding attendance of vulnerable students as from **Tuesday 5th January.** He and his team will monitor attendance of students identified as vulnerable. Please contact Mr Lydford via email from that date using lydfordp@weyvalley-academy.co.uk if you have any questions.

Free School Meals

For students in years 7, 8, 9 and 10 who are entitled to school meals and will not be attending school we will provide an additional FSM voucher. This will be shared with you on Monday January 4th. Students in Year 11 and vulnerable students will be able to access the school canteen as per normal.

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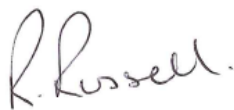
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Currently the information I have is extremely limited. We have not been given the detailed information regarding possible mass testing at this time. I will keep you updated as and when I hear more. Please continue to monitor your email and the school website for further updates.

Thank you for your support with this matter. Wishing you and your families a very Merry Christmas. Stay safe.

Yours faithfully



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