

January 14th 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Jubilee Day – 31st January

On Monday January 31st the academy is closed for the additional Jubilee Day that schools have been given because the Queen's Jubilee and the additional Bank Holiday fall within the summer half term this year. Academies were free to choose which day they used and Ambitions Academy Trust has gone for January 31st.

School Newsletter

This is nearing completion and should be with you next week. We will also place a copy in an electronic book format on the school website.

PE Kit

Thank you to all of you who are ensuring you children wear the correct PE kit on PE days it is a great help. We have a few students choosing not to wear the correct PE kit and as from next week they will be asked to go home and change either into appropriate PE kit or school uniform. We will contact you first to discuss.

The new school hoody is far less expensive than any of the branded hooded tops on the market and is really good quality so we would encourage parents to buy one of these. We have also allowed students the option of wearing a plain navy blue hoody or a plain black (no logos) sweatshirt instead of the original PE kit to help keep the costs down.

They must not wear tops that have logos or pictures on them and they must not be any colour other than navy blue for a hoody and black or navy blue for the sweatshirt. The same applies to tracksuit bottoms or leggings which must be plain navy blue or black.

We will review this over the next two weeks and may have to take the decision to revert to changing for PE lessons.

Parental Questionnaires

You will receive online parental questionnaires at various points during the year and I would encourage you to complete these. We do read them carefully and try to address any issues that are raised. It is normal for people to write to complain about something but not many of us write to point out the positives. As a school we are happy to respond to any complaints but would also welcome any feedback on the things you think we are doing well!

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Latest Guidance on Covid Isolation Periods

This morning the government emailed me the latest changes to the Covid isolation rules which come into force from Monday 17th January, I have copied the information for you below.

Changes to the self-isolation period for those who test positive for COVID-19

*From Monday 17 January, people who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after **5 full days if they test negative with a lateral flow device (LFD) test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature.***

For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to their education or childcare setting immediately on day 6.

The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be [reported to NHS Test and Trace](#).

If the result of either of their tests is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.

Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation.

Further [information on self-isolation for those with COVID-19](#) is available.

Yours faithfully



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