

Principal: Mr Richard Gummery  
Vice Principal: Miss Karen Athawes  
Vice Principal: Mrs Lisa Fraser

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you for your support with the re-opening of the Academy. The attendance in every year group has been excellent, already showing an improvement on this time last year.

I have been amazed at the behaviour of our students. The way they have adapted to the new routines and systems has been truly outstanding. Classrooms have been purposeful with all students engaged in their learning. Representatives from the Learning Community Trust visited the academy as part of their quality assurance and were very positive about the behaviour of the students in their lessons; this is also reflected in the high number of STAR reward points being collected so far across all year groups.

As a result of this positive start we are now able to launch Stage 2 of our re-opening plan. All students may enter their zone from 8:30am with all lessons starting again at 8:50am. Breaktimes and lunchtimes will continue to be staggered for each year group throughout the day and dismissal times will be staggered at the end of the Academy day.

The Academy will also be re-introducing our afterschool extra-curricular programme. We have a range of activities open to the students, organised in year group bubbles. Alongside this will be an extensive Year 11 intervention programme to ensure extra support is given to those students sitting their examinations in 9 months' time. The timetables for both will be sent out shortly.

### Academy day

#### Start of day

All years - 8:50am

#### End of day

Year 7 – 2:51pm

Year 8 – 2:54pm

Year 9 – 2:58pm

Year 10 – 3:02pm

Year 11 – 3:05pm

The safety of our students is paramount so, with that in mind, anyone picking up or dropping off a student must use the drop off areas at each side of the car parking area. Cars do currently park in these areas at the end of the academy day, but I would like to reiterate that this is a drop off and pick up area only; no vehicles are to be parked unless in an allocated parking space. It has also been noted that vehicles are double parking in each parking bay which is causing issues for anyone parked there that wishes to leave. Despite our extensive facilities, parking is limited so if you are unable to secure an allocated parking space then please use the surrounding roads outside the academy taking care to leave space available for our neighbours to access their properties and ensuring that traffic is able to flow freely and is not causing any safety concerns.

Students that travel to the Academy by bicycle should ensure that their bicycles are in a roadworthy condition and that they wear appropriate protection such as a cycle helmet. As the Academy grounds are very busy at the end of the day, bicycles are to be walked down to the main gate, not ridden in the pedestrian areas.



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We are still very much in the midst of the pandemic and may need to close year group bubbles if a positive case arises. Rest assured that we will be sending out all relevant information if and when we need to so that you are fully aware of the next steps and processes. We are still encouraging students to wear face masks during transitions around the academy. This will support the safe movement around the academy during these times.

Yours sincerely



Mr Richard Gummery  
 Principal

**Academy timetable**

Year group	08:50 – 09:05	09:05 – 10:00	10:00 – 10:15	10:17 – 10:32	10:35 – 10:50	10:52 – 11.07	11:10 – 11:30	11:30 – 12:30	12:30 – 12:55	13:00 – 13.25	13:30 – 13.55	Year 7 14:51 Year 8 14:54 Year 9 14:58 Year 10 15:02 Year 11 15:05
11	Form Time	Lesson 1	lesson 2			Break	Lesson 3	Lesson 4/5		Lunch	Lesson 6	
10	Form Time	Lesson 1	lesson 2		Break	Lesson 2	Lesson 3	Lesson 4/5		Lunch	Lesson 6	
9	Form Time	Lesson 1	lesson 2	Break	lesson 2		Lesson 3	Lunch	Lesson 4/5		Lesson 6	
8	Form Time	Lesson 1	lesson 2	Break	lesson 2			Lesson 3	Lunch	Lesson 4/5		Lesson 6
7	Form Time	Lesson 1	Break	Lesson 2				Lesson 3	Lesson 4/5	Lunch	Lesson 4/5	Lesson 6

