

SEPTEMBER 14TH WEEKLY UPDATE

FEEDBACK FROM WEEK 1- WE DID IT

Thank you to you all for helping us to get through the first week. The week was not without its difficulties, and I understand that some moments have been as stressful for you as they have for us. So thank you for your patience.

The children have been the real stars. It has been lovely to see and hear them back in the academy and they have adapted to all the changes very well.

A couple of points:

Please do not bring children to school earlier than their allotted time. Early arrival increases the possibility of them mixing with children from other classes, which is what we need to avoid.

Please make sure that you maintain 2 metre distancing in and around the academy site.

WHAT HAPPENS IF YOUR CHILD DEVELOPS SYMPTOMS?

As an academy we follow the DFE Guidance for Schools on How to deal with any issues

Symptoms

The most important symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are recent onset of any of the following:

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

It is worth noting that that these symptoms are common of many illnesses.

If your child has symptoms of COVID-19, however mild, they need to self-isolate for at least 10 days from when their symptoms started. Do not bring them into the academy but arrange for them to have a test to see if they have COVID-19. Do not go to a GP surgery, pharmacy or hospital. Please let the academy office know.

All other household members will also need to stay at home and not leave the house for 14 days. The 14-day period starts from the day when the first person in the household became ill.

If the result is negative your child can return to school. If it is positive the family must remain in isolation until the end of the 14th day.

Please notify the academy office as soon as possible if you have been told that your child needs to self-isolate or has received a Covid-19 test result.

WHAT HAPPENS DURING SELF-ISOLATION

It is highly likely that your child may need to self-isolate because another household member is symptomatic or because they themselves are displaying symptoms. During self-isolation all members of the household must stay indoors and not go out.

In this situation your child will be expected to access lessons from their teacher so that they do not fall behind in their learning. We have made significant changes to how this will work since the lock-down.

Lessons will be set daily and your child will record their learning in a workbook that will be provided for them. Teachers will be able to provide feedback via the Class Dojo program (as long as you have signed the permission slip for your child to be able to access this.) Learning tasks will reflect what is being taught in the classroom and should take an equivalent amount of time to complete. It is important that you support your child in completing all learning tasks. Children will need to bring the learning into school with them when they return after the period of isolation.

COMMUNICATION ABOUT AN OUTBREAK

The academy will follow the DFE Guidelines about what and how to communicate any information about a possible or confirmed outbreak of Covid-19. Please be aware that we will not be able to share any names or confidential details with any parents.

Parents are asked to contact the academy should they have any questions and to avoid making comments on Social Media.