



Monday 29th November 2021

Partial closure of The St Leonards Academy 30th November until 2nd December 2021

Dear parents and carers,

As you are aware, we partially closed to year 9 and 10 student on the 29th of November. We have reviewed the staffing levels for the rest of this week and we regret to inform you that the Trust has made the decision to extend the partial closure for the rest of this week. Student and staff safety is our priority and we can no longer operate a full onsite provision with the number teaching and support staff who are absent.

The plan for the partial closure is set out below;

Tuesday 30th November 2021

Year 8 and 9 access learning remotely from home via class charts

Year 7, 10 and 11 only in school

Wednesday 1st of December 2021

Year 8 and 10 access learning remotely from home via class charts

Year 7, 9 and 11 only in school

Thursday 2nd December 2021

Year 9 and 8 access learning remotely from home via class charts

Year 7, 10 and 11 only in school.

Friday 3rd December 2021

School closed for all students (INSET day)

I want to reassure you that your child's education is of the utmost importance to us. With this in mind, students will be required to continue their learning remotely via class charts and Microsoft Teams. Work will be allocated by their subject teachers as a mixture of independent learning tasks and live lessons. Students will be expected to complete this work and attend the scheduled live lessons. Please contact your head of year if you have problems accessing this.

If you are a key worker needing to send your child to school as you cannot arrange for childcare, please email Michelle Lower m.lower@thestleonardsacademy.org.uk with your name, your child's name, and your key worker status to inform the academy of expected student attendance. Please advise your child to enter the academy through their normal entrance, and remain within their bubble areas. In the mornings, a member of staff will meet them on the gate.

We understand that you may find this concerning, and we are deeply sorry for any inconvenience that this may cause. This decision was not taken lightly, but is necessary due to the circumstances addressed.

Again, I really appreciate for your continued support of the Academy in these testing times. Government COVID-19 health regulations will also be changing at this time, so we will be updating you with the latest guidance in due course.

Keep very well.

Yours sincerely



Jon Francies
Principal

Critical workers and vulnerable children

For the latest government definition of a critical worker and vulnerable children, please visit <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision>



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