Glenmoor & Winton Academies
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Friday 26 February 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: **Covid-19 Update: Return to School on 8 March**

I would like to take the opportunity to thank you all for your support over the last half term and ensuring all students had a seamless transition to remote learning. The conduct of our students in these unusual times has been exemplary and have truly epitomised our values. We are so proud of the integrity they have shown in applying themselves within their 'live' lessons and the courage they have demonstrated in adapting to this new way of learning.

Following the Prime Minister's announcement, I am delighted that we are able to return to face to face teaching for students from Monday 8 March. I know that this news will be greatly received by parents, students and staff alike, as we welcome students back to a degree of normality at the Academies.

Return to School

To prepare for a safe re-opening of the Academies and facilitate onsite testing, we will be offering a staggered start to face to face teaching as follows:

Date of Return	Year Group	Start Time and location	End Time	Entrance/Exit
Monday 8 March	11	8.35 - Tutor rooms	15.00	DF Hall Doors
Monday 8 March	7	8.35 - BA Playground	15.00	Ben Antell Gate
Tuesday 9 March	10	8.35 - DF Line up area	15.00	DF Gate
Tuesday 9 March	9	8.35 - JE Tennis Courts	15.00	JE Gate
Wednesday 10 March	8	8.35 - Sports Hall Cage	15.00	Brundle Gate

Students should return in full Academy uniform and with the appropriate equipment for the day including a plain face covering unless exempt. Students will follow their normal Academy timetables and should be prepared for those lessons as per usual.

The Academy site will be open for arrivals from 8.10am and students should use the designated entrance for their year group above and make their way to the appropriate line up area only. If students require access the site prior to 8.10am, pre-bookable spaces will be available into Breakfast Club, which will be open from 7.45am. The procedure for booking into Breakfast Club will be the same as last term, with a form being sent out to all parents and carers every Monday morning to book children in for the following week's provision.

On Monday 8 and Tuesday 9 March, key worker and vulnerable students will be able to access on-site provision if the Academy is not yet open to their year group. The booking form will be sent out to parents and carers of those students as normal.

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Remote Teaching

As we will be offering a staggered start to face to face teaching as above, we will be adapting our remote learning provision for those students awaiting return to the Academies, as below:

Date	Year Groups	Morning Tutor Time	Lessons Resources
Friday 5 March	All	Live on TEAMs	SMHW – Normal timetable
Monday 8 March	Years 10, 9, 8	Live on TEAMs	SMHW – Normal timetable
Tuesday 9 March	Year 8	Live on TEAMs	SMHW – Normal timetable

All students will access their 'live' tutor time session as per normal. All pre-recorded lessons/lesson resources for the day ahead will then be available for students to access through SMHW and complete independently.

Health and Safety

The priority firmly remains on a safe return for both students and staff to the Academies, as we continue to follow advice and guidance from Department for Education and Public Health England. All previous safety measures will remain in place and students will remain in Year group bubbles. Face masks must be worn indoors where social distancing cannot be maintained (including in classrooms). Where students are exempt from wearing a face covering, please contact the relevant Head of Year.

It is important, as ever, that we all remain vigilant to the symptoms of Covid-19 even though the risk to young people is very small. We can help to reduce the transmission of Covid-19 by:

- washing our hands with soap and water often – do this for at least 20 seconds;
- using hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available;
- washing our hands as soon as we get home;
- covering our mouth and nose with a tissue or our sleeve (not our hands) when we cough or sneeze;
- putting used tissues in the bin immediately and washing our hands afterwards;
- wearing face masks (unless exempt) in all communal areas including classrooms.

Students should remain at home if they are experiencing symptoms associated with Covid-19 (a new, continuous cough and/or a high temperature and/or a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste and smell) please do not send them to school or for their asymptomatic testing but go to the dedicated NHS 111 Covid site, https://111.nhs.uk/covid-19/, for details of what you need to do.

Students must also not attend the Academies if anyone in their household is awaiting or has a positive test result. Please continue to report any positive cases to:

covid@glenmoorandwinton.org.uk

Principal: Mrs Samantha Viney
Executive Principal: Mr Stuart Ingram

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Rapid Testing:

On return to the Academies, all students whose parents/carers have given consent will be tested for Covid-19. This will enable us to identify any asymptomatic cases amongst the student population and where they exist, send those students home to self-isolate. We will be offering 3 on site Lateral Flow Tests over the course of the first two weeks, with the first rapid test taking place return to the Academies for any student that has consent. The following two rapid tests will then take place accordingly over the period of the next two weeks. Information on Lateral Flow Tests, how they are administered, FAQ's and the privacy notice for consent can all be found on the Academies website.

If you have previously given consent for on-site rapid testing either via keyworker or communications in January, you ***do not need*** to consent again. If you would like to provide consent, please complete the link below by 4pm Tuesday 2 March.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=BqQz9gLiAk2sGw1XKMgEmmXj5T1Z5tBCnNu4UeEvPVBUQkpHMjFDTzVHWTlZSkJZUFVNRVRLQUFBNS4u

If you would like to withdraw consent, please send an email with the name of the student, your name and contact details to the email address below:

covid@glenmoorandwinton.org.uk

Only students with a completed consent form will be tested. Following the rapid on-site testing, all students will have access to home-test kits. More information will follow with regards to home testing over the coming weeks.

We look forward to welcoming students back and thank you again for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely

Sam Viney

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