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**Re: Confirmation of starting dates for 5th January 2021**

Dear parents and carers,

Firstly, Happy New Year to you and your family. I hope you have had a relaxing and enjoyable break. Since I wrote to you on New Year's Eve there has been so much press speculation and uncertainty about schools reopening for this Spring term. I therefore thought it would be useful to summarise Bosworth Academy's current approach to school opening over the coming weeks.

<b>wc 05/01/2021</b> <a href="#">Essential School Opening</a>	The school is open <b>only</b> to those on the <b>vulnerable</b> and <b>critical-worker</b> lists who have been notified now of their confirmed place. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>All other students are working remotely.</li></ul>
<b>wc 11/01/2021</b> <a href="#">Partial School Opening</a>	The school is <b>currently</b> open to <b>some</b> students. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>All <b>Year 11</b> and <b>13</b> students</li><li>Students identified as <b>vulnerable</b> and children of <b>critical-workers</b> who have been notified of their confirmed place.</li><li>All other students are expected to work remotely.</li></ul>
<b>wc 18/01/2021</b> <a href="#">Full School Opening</a>	The school is <b>currently</b> open to <b>all</b> students. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Some students will be working remotely only if they are having to self-isolate.</li></ul>

You can read a detailed parent/carer guide for each level using the links provided in the table above. *If the national picture changes then we will need to adapt the planning above.*

The Department of Education expects secondary schools to stagger the return of students to give more time for the rollout of testing. This will help find asymptomatic cases and break chains of transmission, making it as safe as possible to return to face-to-face education. We will write to you later this week with further details.

Whilst the majority of students are at home learning we have adjusted the timings of the day to facilitate better remote learning experiences for all of our students. Students who are in school will be in the class with their normal teacher during these times following exactly the same lesson. This will ensure they have access to the support they need and the best possible learning experience.

- Tutor:** 08:40 - 09:00
- Period 1:** 09:00 - 10:00
- Period 2:** 10:00 - 11:00
- Break:** 11:00 - 11:30
- Period 3:** 11:30 - 12:30
- Lunch:** 12:30 - 13:00
- Period 4:** 13:00 - 14:00
- Period 5:** 14:00 - 15:00



We have shared the following document with students already: [Remote Learning - Student Guide](#).

Students are expected to attend all live lessons using the links their teachers provide them. Students who do not attend on time will be marked absent from lessons and this will be followed up by the school. Please inform your child that the week commencing 4 January 2021, **we are on week 1** of their two week timetable.

Our basic expectations are that:

- Students arrive for their live lesson on time.
- Students dress appropriately.
- Students do not behave inappropriately and do not distract other students or the teacher.
- Students work as hard as they can and ask for help if they require it.

If your child has any IT issues around remote learning then they or you should email [ictsupport@bosworthacademy.org.uk](mailto:ictsupport@bosworthacademy.org.uk) for support.

Lessons will follow our usual schemes of learning for each year group, therefore it is vital that students engage in all lessons. If students miss lessons then they will need to complete after-school catch-up sessions on their return. If your child is unwell then as normal please contact the school so we are made aware of this using the address [attendance@bosworthacademy.org.uk](mailto:attendance@bosworthacademy.org.uk).

Please remind your child of Tier 4 restrictions, especially that they should not be leaving home to socialise. The guidance states the reasonable reasons for leaving home include:

- Education e.g. attending school
- Exercise e.g. on your own or socially distanced with one other person
- Essential activities e.g. buying food or medicine

A full breakdown can be found by visiting the [Government's website](#). Following this guidance will ensure everyone is kept safe when Bosworth Academy opens up to a larger number of students.

Our teachers are working hard to ensure that all students, no matter whether they are in school or working remotely, have an outstanding educational experience. We are also working hard to make sure the school is as safe as possible for both students and staff. We are all, of course, excited to be able to welcome back all students from the 18 January 2021, assuming this still meets the government guidance.

If there are any further changes, especially about schooling from 11th January onwards, we will of course will react to this and be in touch with you with any updates.



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