



# NOTTINGHAM GIRLS' ACADEMY

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skills and qualifications to enter the next phase of life with  
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Dear Parents / Carers,

## **Year 8 and Year 10 Pupils to Work From Home, week beginning 30 November 2020**

Unfortunately, this afternoon, a large number of staff have been asked to self-isolate by test and trace. In order to maintain the safe running of the school for other year groups, I therefore need to ask Year 8 and Year 10 pupils to work from home for this week. I am very sorry for the late notice.

Pupils in Year 8 and Year 10 will be expected to access their lessons live via Teams throughout each day this week. They will follow their normal timetable. Details on how to do this can be found on the [Home Learning Hub](#) of our website.

If your child is unable to access through illness, please inform us of their absence in the usual way, including of any absence due to Covid-19 symptoms or positive tests.

If your child is unable to access lessons for any other reasons, please contact their Head of Year or Deputy Head of Year so we can work with you to get them learning as quickly as possible.

### **Pupils in all other year groups should continue to attend as usual.**

For those attending school, please see the guidance below on the steps and measures we can all take to limit the risk of transmission.

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The steps that you **must** take to limit the spread of infection are:

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All pupils must wash their hands using soap and water, for at least 20 seconds, far more frequently than usual.

When they cannot use soap and water, they must sanitise their hands using the numerous dispensers we have installed on site.

They should do this when they:

- Arrive on the academy site.
  - Finish using the bathroom.
  - Enter and exit the buildings.
  - Enter and exit classrooms.
  - Enter and exit the canteen and dining area.
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All pupils (apart from those that are exempt) must wear a face covering in communal areas.

Communal areas include:

- corridors
- toilet areas
- dining areas and queues (apart from when seated in the dining room)
- outside spaces (apart from in PE, dance or drama lessons)

They will mostly remain optional in classrooms, although a small number of pupils sat near the front of some of our smaller classrooms will be asked to wear them throughout their lesson in that room.

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All pupils must remain at least 2m from each other whenever possible and should *always* aim to be more than 1m apart.

When this is not possible – for example, when they are seated in classrooms – they must avoid being face-to-face.

Pupils find this most difficult at break and lunch times, which is why ‘outside spaces’ have been added to the list of communal areas in which a face covering must be worn.

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A vital precaution in controlling and reducing transmission of coronavirus is to be alert to the symptoms.

**If your child, or any member of your household or support bubble develops any of the symptoms – even if you are convinced it might be related to another illness - your whole household MUST self isolate for 14 days.**

In this situation please inform the school **immediately** and arrange for a test via [www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test](https://www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test) or by phoning 119.

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The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- **a high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste**– this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

If your child develops *any* of these symptoms, they must not come to school and should remain at home for at least **10 days** from the date when their symptoms appeared. All other household members who remain well, must stay at home and not leave the house for 14 days from the date when their symptoms appeared. This includes anyone in your 'Support Bubble'.

Further information is available at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>.

If your child or anyone in the household does develop symptoms, you can seek further advice from NHS 111 at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/check-if-you-have-coronavirus-symptoms/> or by phoning 111.

I know these are challenging circumstances for our pupils, staff and wider school community and would like to thank you for your ongoing support during this unprecedented time.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact the Academy directly at [admin@nottinghamgirlsacademy.org](mailto:admin@nottinghamgirlsacademy.org).

Yours faithfully,



David Tungate  
Principal  
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