



NOTTINGHAM GIRLS' ACADEMY

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Dear parents/carers,

Following Monday's announcement about the reopening of schools from 8th March I know you will be anxious to know how we plan to do this at Nottingham Girls' Academy.

Please remember that you can also find the most up-to-date information on the Academy website:

www.nottinghamgirlsacademy.org

Staggered Return

To allow us to carry out Covid-19 testing with the pupils that we have consent for, we will stagger the return of pupils over the course of the week.

Until a year group returns to school, pupils will be expected to continue with their online lessons.

Pupils will return to school as follows:

Monday, 8th March	Vulnerable Pupils and the Children of Critical Workers (who register for the provision via the website)
Tuesday, 9th March	Year 7 pupils
Wednesday, 10th March	Year 8 and 9 pupils
Thursday, 11th March	Year 10, Year 11 and Sixth Form pupils

Attendance

The government have made it clear that attendance is mandatory.

Only pupils who have been confirmed as clinically extremely vulnerable (CEV) should shield by staying at home until further notice. They are advised not to attend school while shielding advice applies nationally. Pupils effected by this will have received a letter advising them to shield and we will request to see a copy of this letter.

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How the Academy Will Operate

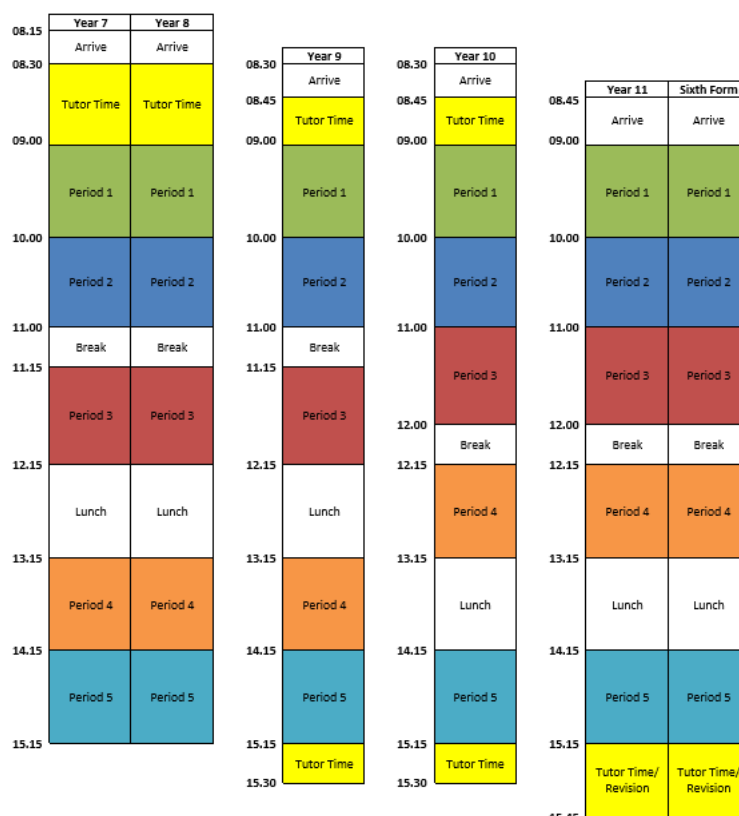
From 8th March, we will revert to the operating procedures that we were using before Christmas.

These measures are designed to minimise contacts and mixing whilst still delivering a broad and balanced curriculum.

Our full [Operating Practices: 8th March 2021 onwards](#) can be found on the NGA website, but key points to remind you of are as follows:

Anyone displaying any of the symptoms of Covid-19
or, who lives in a household with someone who is displaying Covid-19 symptoms
or, who has tested positive within the last 10 day
MUST NOT come on to the school site.
They MUST self-isolate at home, along with the rest of their household, for 10 days.

- Pupils will be taught in Year group bubbles - restricted to a single corridor in the school and their own outside zone.
- There will be a staggered start and end to the school day and staggered break and lunch times. These timings will also apply to online lessons from 8th March.



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- In a change to previous instructions, staff and pupils must wear face coverings in *all* indoor spaces, *including* classrooms. Pupils are expected to provide their own face covering. Those who are exempt from wearing coverings should resume the wearing of their orange exemption lanyards. [please note: the wearing of coverings indoors does not apply to PE and Dance lessons.]
- Pupils must keep at 2m distances when outside, or wear face-coverings if they cannot achieve this.
- Pupils and adults must wash or sanitise their hands:
 - On arrival
 - After breaks
 - On room changes
 - After eating
- Rooms will be ventilated as much as possible. If rooms are too cold as a result of ventilation pupil will be allowed to wear their coats.

Asymptomatic Testing Programme

All pupils for whom we have consent will be offered a Lateral Flow Test on the day they return to school, followed by two more before the end of the following week as follows:

Monday, 8th March	Vulnerable Pupils and the Children of Critical Workers (who register for the provision via the website)
Tuesday, 9th March	Year 7 pupils
Wednesday, 10th March	Year 8 and 9 pupils
Thursday, 11th March	Year 10, Year 11 and Sixth Form pupils
Friday, 12th March	Year 7 pupils & Vulnerable Pupils and the Children of Critical Workers (who returned on Monday 8 th March)
Monday, 15th March	Year 8 and 9 pupils
Tuesday, 16th March	Year 10, Year 11 and Sixth Form pupils
Wednesday, 17th March	Year 7 pupils & Vulnerable Pupils and the Children of Critical Workers (who returned on Monday 8 th March)
Thursday, 18th March	Year 8 and 9 pupils
Friday, 19th March	Year 10, Year 11 and Sixth Form pupils

If you have not yet provided consent for your child to be tested but wish to do so, please complete our [online consent form](#).

Following the third test, pupils will be supplied with home test kits to carry out their own Lateral Flow Tests at home twice a week.

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Why Is This Important?

I am sure, like me you are excited by the prospect of all restrictions due to the pandemic finally coming to an end. It is therefore essential that we all do what we can to follow the rules for the remaining time so that the timetable outlined by the government is not delayed due to a sudden increase in infection rates again.

I would therefore really appreciate your support in conveying the importance of our ongoing measures to your children.

In the meantime, please continue to take care.

Yours faithfully,



David Tungate

Principal

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