

Our ref: ljm/KDV/Correspondence

31 December 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

**Re: Revised Start of Term Arrangements**

Dear Parents/Carers

I wrote to you twice before the end of term to confirm the arrangements for reopening in January. As you will have heard yesterday, the plans will now need to be changed again. School will remain closed for all students during the week beginning 4<sup>th</sup> January. From 5<sup>th</sup> January, lessons will resume remotely for all year groups via Teams in keeping with their normal in school timetable. You can find the remote learning guidance here <http://www.cityleicester.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/Online-Live-lessons-policy.pdf>.

From Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January, we are allowed to have vulnerable/key worker children on site. If you feel your child is vulnerable or you are a key worker and need your child to be in school, this provision will be available but will be delivered differently to last year. Students will not be able to interact and socialise as they were previously allowed to, as they need to remain in their bubbles ready for returning to normal lessons the week after. They will also not be able to attend normal lessons in person as the aim of closing schools is to minimise social contact. Students in school will still access the lessons on a laptop like all other students, but from a supervised room on site. If you would like to take up the offer of a place for vulnerable/key worker children provision then please can you email [kvernon@cityleicester.leicester.sch.uk](mailto:kvernon@cityleicester.leicester.sch.uk) at your earliest convenience. If your child has an EHCP and you have any questions please email [ncoton@cityleicester.leicester.sch.uk](mailto:ncoton@cityleicester.leicester.sch.uk).

School will reopen to Year 11 and Year 13 during the week beginning 11<sup>th</sup> January. I cannot be more specific yet as the training for running testing onsite is not until Monday and Tuesday next week. Once Year 11 and 13 are back in they will have face to face lessons all day, every day that week, while all other year groups will learn remotely.

Exams during these weeks will go ahead as normal so students will need to attend school if they have an exam to sit. They should arrive 30 minutes before the exam begins and will be allowed off site once the exam is over. Unfortunately, we will no longer be able to arrange face to face revision sessions for students sitting exams but lessons will continue online.

The Connect Centre will now be closed next week but will reopen for face to face teaching for all students who require this provision from January 11<sup>th</sup>.

School will reopen to all students on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January at 08:30 unless before then we hear differently.

If you need access to laptops for online learning, it may be possible for us to lend you a device for the duration of the school closure. If you need to enquire about this then please contact [CLamont@cityleicester.leicester.sch.uk](mailto:CLamont@cityleicester.leicester.sch.uk) with your request.

Yours sincerely

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