

17th May 2021

Blackpool Aspire Academy

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Dear Parent/Carer,

## The return of year groups from isolation

I have liaised heavily with the local Public Health team and the Local Education Authority regarding the return of the year groups currently isolating due to positive cases of COVID-19. Please see the details of the return dates below: -

Year group	No of cases	Date of return	Further information
9	1	Tuesday 18th	9I are the only bubble class currently isolating
11	1	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Full year group currently isolating
10	9	*Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Full year group currently isolating
8	1	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	8T are the only bubble class currently isolating

\*Due to the multiple cases in year 10 we have been advised to exercise caution in their return. The students that have tested positive did so on different days, initially with Lateral Flow Devices, which were subsequently confirmed with positive PCR test results. This makes tracking and tracing within the school extremely challenging. Therefore, after seeking advice from Public Health and the Local Education Authority we have decided that Year 10 will return on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May. However, there will be a staggered start to the day as we test each child on their return before commencing face to face learning. A timetable for the testing will be sent out later this week.

Whilst all year groups or bubble classes are isolating it is vital that all students engage with the remote learning provision. Teachers are live either on Gmeet or on the Google Classroom every lesson and are following the normal timetable.

Further to my video message last week, if you need any support re technology or have a specific query please contact us via the following email remotelearning@aspire.fcat.org.uk or on (01253 353155).

Yours faithfully,

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