

Montgomery Academy

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Return dates and times

Not all students will be returning at the same time next week.

- Students where parents have given consent via the online form on the website should arrive at the time stated in the table below, dependent on their tutor group. This is so we can have a steady flow of students entering the Lateral Flow Device testing booths in the Sports Hall.
- Students where parents have rejected consent will need to arrive on their specified day at 11:20am and will go straight in to Period 3 lessons or an assembly. Return days are Monday for Year 11, Tuesday for Year 10, Wednesday for Year 7, Thursday for Year 8 and Friday for Year 9.
- Students where parents where have <u>not completed either a Confirm consent or Reject consent</u> <u>form</u> will be isolated from the main school population until parents can complete the online form or may eventually have to go home.

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Monday 8th		Tuesday 9th		10th March -		Thursday 11th		Friday 12th	
March - Year 11		March - Year 10		Year 7		March - Year 8		March - Year 9	
11A1	8:30am	10A1	8:30am	7A1	8:30am	8A1	8:30am	9A1	8:30am
11A2	8:45am	10A2	8:45am	7A2	8:45am	8A2	8:45am	9A2	8:45am
11A3	9:00am	10A3	9:00am	7A3	9:00am	8A3	9:00am	9A3	9:00am
11A4	9:15am	10A4	9:15am	7A4	9:15am	8A4	9:15am	9A4	9:15am
11A5	9:30am	10B1	9:30am	7B1	9:30am	8B1	9:30am	9B1	9:30am
11B1	9:45am	10B2	9:45am	7B2	9:45am	8B2	9:45am	9B2	9:45am
11B2	10:00am	10B3	10:00am	7B3	10:00am	8B3	10:00am	9B3	10:00am
11B3	10:15am	10B4	10:15am	7B4	10:15am	8B4	10:15am	9B4	10:15am
11B4	10:30am								

Students will need to <u>check their timetables carefully</u> so they are organised for the lessons they have on their first days back.

Equipment - Being prepared to return to school

Due to Government guidelines around the need to minimise the sharing of equipment, all students were provided with key items. Students were given: a whiteboard (and pen/eraser), a glue stick and a green pen for LIFT lessons/next steps. Please can you ask your son/daughter to pack these in their bags and bring them back into school, on a daily basis, when they start to return next week.

Given the new expectations regarding face masks, it is likely that it will be even more important for students to communicate with their teachers via the mini-whiteboards, for example when answering questions from the back of the class.



Remote learning provision changing from Monday 8th March

Throughout lockdown our remote learning not only provided lessons and PowerPoints but also Loom videos of teachers explaining and modelling learning activities. As of the week commencing Monday 8th March, and with staff back in classrooms teaching, Loom videos will no longer be recorded and provided as part of our RL provision. However, instructions and work will still be provided on Google Classroom should any student find themselves needing to self-isolate as it was before Christmas.

<u>Uniform</u>

All year groups should come back to school adhering to our uniform policy. Students should ensure that they have the appropriate footwear. Trainers or pumps-style shoes are not acceptable. The Bispham Clothing shop is closed to normal custom, however you can order uniform online via their website: <u>https://www.schoolwear-blackpool.com/</u> or via phone on: 01253 276 047. All uniform information can be found on our website: <u>https://montgomeryschool.co.uk/Information/uniform</u>

Free School Meals support

The end of this week is the last week that we will be reimbursed by the government for the FSM vouchers. This means that any families that have students who need to self-isolate at any point between March 8th and the Easter holiday will be provided with a food parcel rather than a voucher. We will let you know if the government make any decisions about provision over the Easter holiday.

Home Testing kits for students

As you know the plan is that during the first 2 weeks back, students where consent has been given should be tested 3 times in school and once at home. We are yet to receive any home kits to give to students for this fourth test, so will let you know as soon as we can. Lastly if you have given consent for your son or daughter to be tested and they are particularly anxious about being tested, then please make us aware before they are due back.

We are all really looking forward to seeing the students again at some point next week.

Regards

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Mr. Careless