

COVID - 19 Unity Academy Daily Bulletin
23rd March 2020

These are unprecedented times where the academy is relying on daily guidance from the Government, this guidance changes regularly and often this published information lags behind information in the press. This daily bulletin intends to keep all stakeholders as up to date as possible given the information we have and the fast moving situation.

School Closure Update

Unity Academy is closed until further notice to all students other than those who are considered vulnerable or families where both parents are key workers. These parents should have contacted us. Children should only come to school if there are **no other options.**

We will maintain communication with those considered vulnerable regarding attendance.

Please note - we have established staffing numbers for future days from the number of children in school today (with some flexibility).

Free School Meals

We will place a rota on the website and text parents letting them know when they can come into school to collect the hamper for the week. Please follow guidelines very carefully to ensure the risk of infection remains low.

Staff update

Staff will work in teams over the next few weeks ensuring adequate ratios at all times.

Confirmed Cases at Unity Academy

We are aware of significant numbers of students and staff who are self isolating. At the time of writing (12:30PM), Public Health England have not contacted us to inform us of any confirmed cases of COVID-19 amongst children, staff or families linked to Unity Academy.

Cleaning

As many cleaners as possible will come into school to keep the site clean whilst partially open.

Children and staff who present at school with COVID-19 symptoms

Any children who present in school next week with the symptoms of COVID-19 will need to go home, we will move children to a separate, ventilated room, whilst we await a

parent/carer coming to pick them up. Should any child display the symptoms, government guidance is that they **and anyone who lives with them** should self isolate for 14 days.

Staff who present with symptoms will be asked to follow the same advice and asked to go home immediately where they **and anyone who lives with them** should self isolate for 14 days. Government guidance does not, **at this stage**, indicate that any children who have been taught by the member of staff should self isolate.

School Closure Work

Work for students during school closure will be placed on the website - www.unity.blackpool.org.uk - work will be regularly refreshed during this period.

Bulletins

We intend to move the bulletin to 3 times a week rather than daily - published on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday on the school website.

Enquiries

Should you have any questions during this time please email generalenquiries@unity.fcat.org.uk - if you have specific emails regarding subjects or software, please use the email addresses on the website, under school closure.