

21st July 2020

Re: Summer holiday dates and return in September for all pupils.

Dear Parent/Carer

The Academy will be closed for the summer holidays from Tuesday 21st July at 11:30pm. The Academy will re-open on **Wednesday 2nd September 2020.**

Reopening: Which pupils will be returning to school in September?

The Academy will be open to **All Pupils** on **Wednesday 2nd September**. Pupils will be on a staggered timetable only on Wednesday 2nd the first day back. (*Please see staggered times below, only for Wednesday 2nd). **1 DAY ONLY**
There will then be a recovery curriculum put in place for the first 2 weeks. This will run as a **full time timetable between 8.45 am and 2.15pm**. A 'Frequently Asked Questions' (FAQ) document can be found on our website at the following link <https://files.schudio.com/victorypark/files/documents/VPA - FAQ September Opening V3.pdf> This provides answers to returning to school post Covid.

*Bubble	Group	Session 1	Session 2
Bubble 1	Primary	9:00 – 12:00	12:00 – 14:15
Bubble 2	TAG	9:00 – 12:00	
Bubble 3	Year 7 – Year 9	10:00 – 12:00	
	Year 10 & Year 11	11:45 – 13:45	

Are all pupils expected to return to school in September?

Yes. The Government's [Full Reopening of Schools](#) guidance states the following in respect to attendance:

'Missing out on more time in the classroom risks pupils falling further behind. Those with higher overall absence tend to achieve less well in both primary and secondary school. School attendance will therefore be **mandatory again from the beginning of the Autumn Term**. This means from that point, the usual rules on school attendance will apply, including:

- Parents' duty to secure that their child attends regularly at school where the child is a registered pupil at school and they are of compulsory school age;
- Schools' responsibilities to record attendance and follow up absence,
- The availability to issue sanctions, including fixed penalty notices.

Finally, may I take this opportunity to wish you and your family a safe and happy summer break.

Yours sincerely,



Mark Aspel
Headteacher