



Eden Boys

26th February 2021

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Assalaamu Alaikum (May Peace be with you)

I am writing to provide an update on your child's learning over the next few weeks.

School Reopening

On Monday evening, the Prime Minister announced that schools will start to reopen from Monday 8th March onwards.

Students will follow their usual timetable from home (online via MS Teams) until Friday 5th March. The children of key workers and vulnerable learners will continue to attend school.

On Monday 8th March, all students will return to school.

I will write to you again next week to outline the specific arrangements for your child's return to school, including a reminder of the expectations of all students (due to COVID-19).

In the meantime, during their online lessons, please continue to encourage your child to participate fully. In particular, please ensure that they:

- Go to bed on time during school nights and have a good routine for learning, play, reflection and rest.
- Wake up on time, have breakfast, get dressed and are ready to learn by 8.00am each morning.
- Have a break and lunch at the allocated time on their timetable, stepping away from their device.
- Stay focused during their lessons and completes all of the activities given by the teacher.
- Complete all of the homework tasks given to them.

COVID-19 Testing in School

In order to ensure that the school is as safe as possible, and in line with government expectations, we will be running a **Covid-19 Lateral Flow Test programme for all consenting students. The testing programme will start from Thursday 4th March.** If you are happy for your child to be tested, please complete the electronic consent form <https://bit.ly/3bB8HvD> by **Monday 1st March.**

The test will be supervised by trained school staff and there will be minimal disruption to lessons. The test is quick and easy using a swab of the nose and throat. Results are available within 30 minutes and will be shared directly with participating pupils and their parents.



We will be testing all participating pupils three times. After this initial testing, pupils will be provided with two rapid tests to use each week at home.

The programme for testing will begin as follows:

Thursday 4th March:

- **Students in Year 10 should come to the sports hall between 8.00am and 9.30am for their first test**
- **Students in Year 9 should come to the sports hall between 10.00am and 11.30am for their first test**
- **Students in Year 8 should come to the sports hall between 12.00pm and 1.30pm for their first test**
- **Students in Year 7 should come to the sports hall between 2.00pm and 3.30pm for their first test**

Your child will come in from the Prestbury road entrance and testing will take place in the Sports Hall. **Parents will need to wait outside the school** and please allow around 15 minutes for the testing to take place. If you have more than one child in school, they can come together for testing. Once your child has done his test, he can then go home and you will get an email and text notification of the results.

Along with the other protective measures we are taking, these tests will help pupils to remain in school safely. The test is voluntary, but I would encourage everyone to take it.

Laptops Return

If your child has borrowed a laptop, please return the device to the school reception office on their first day back at school on **Monday 8th March**.

If you have any queries or concerns, or need support in any way, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the school and our efforts on behalf of your child.

Yours sincerely,



**Akhmed Hussain
Associate Principal**