



# Alderman Peel High School

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## Phased return to School

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you are well. Thank you for your support with remote learning and also for many of you who completed our recent survey or contacted us with messages of thanks. It is much appreciated. As you know school has remained open to a small number of students since the 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2020. I am sure you are aware the Department for Education has placed an expectation on schools to provide some face-to-face teaching for year 10 students.

We very much look forward to welcoming year 10 students back and to being able to support them face-to-face. In order to do this safely we have scrutinised all guidance from the government and completed all Trust/Local Authority risk assessments to ensure that when our school reopens we can keep your child and staff safe and keep them socially distanced. This includes school transport.

For students with specific needs such as an Educational Health and Care Plan or Medical conditions, we will complete a Student Specific Risk Assessment to ensure the student, other students and staff remain safe. These risk assessments will be shared with staff and parents and we will be required to review necessary arrangements to mitigate all risks. This may unfortunately mean for some students that the safest option is for them to remain at home. Information from the lessons in school will be sent to these students.

If a student or family members who he / she lives with have symptoms the guidance states they must not attend school until the appropriate self-isolation period has passed.

We will continue to provide work online for all students alongside face-to-face teaching for year 10 until the end of the Summer term. Provision for every Year 10 be one day per week as we will need to keep groups small, although the Government guidance acknowledges that full social distancing will not be possible and that passing in corridors poses minimal risk, for example. Our teachers will also need to continue setting and assessing online work, as well as some shielding at home, and so teacher time in school for face-to-face work with students will be limited.

Concerning our students in Years 7, 8 and 9, it now looks very unlikely that we will see any form of school return until September at the earliest. We will continue to monitor and evaluate our current provision for those students and communicate with you once we have relevant information to share with you. Guidance published by the Department for Education on 21-6-20 can be found here:

[https://www.gov.uk/guidance/help-secondary-school-children-continue-their-education-during-coronavirus-covid-19?utm\\_source=1992819e-b988-439e-9846-d5d2ae5f5e22&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm\\_content=immediate](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/help-secondary-school-children-continue-their-education-during-coronavirus-covid-19?utm_source=1992819e-b988-439e-9846-d5d2ae5f5e22&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm_content=immediate)

## For Year 10 Students Provision will start from MONDAY 8<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2020

### Please note the following arrangements:

#### General

- A deep clean of school will take place in the week prior to Year 10 returning.
- We will continue to provide (separately) for children who have been attending school since 23<sup>rd</sup> March such as those whose parents are Key Workers. This is approximately 15 students from different year groups.
- There will be a maximum 22 Year 10 students in on any day, taught in one group in the hall to maintain social distancing. Numbers of staff in school will also be minimised.
- Normal expectations regarding behaviour are in place.
- Students must wear school uniform. Please be aware guidance states Face covering / mask
- Students will attend school one day per week.
- To avoid any issues with equipment all students must bring with them a pen, pencil, ruler, calculator and their books for English, Maths and Science. Equipment cannot be shared.
- A one way system through corridors will be implemented with signage to remind students.
- Restrictions will be in place for certain areas, such as the cloakrooms.
- Tape will be placed on floors to remind students of social distancing
- We will brief all students on their first day to remind them of all rules and procedures.

#### Organisation of the day

- We will follow the normal timing for the school day.
- All students must wash their hands on arrival, frequently during the day and before they leave.
- All students must arrive at normal school time and wait outside until they are invited in at 8.30am to wash their hands.
- There will be no tutor period. Students must proceed to the hall when the bell goes at 8.40am.
- Students will be taught a combination of English, Maths and Science. Option subjects will continue to be taught online.
- All students must bring a water bottle and a packed lunch – There will be no food available at school. Drinks fountains, with students own bottles will be available as normal. Free School Meal Vouchers will continue to be available online as currently.
- The school field and play areas will be open, as normal for lunch and break time. Students must maintain social distancing at these times.

#### Transport

- Sanders will be running a full bus service which normally transports over 250 students to school, meaning social distancing can take place on buses. For example only 11 students will be able to travel on a 45 seater coach. Seats are taped off to ensure distancing on the bus. Sanders website and Twitter feed has a video to demonstrate this if you wish to.
- There are specific rules that students must follow which will be shared with every student.
- Please remind students to socially distance at the bus stop.
- Students will be asked to attend on specific days to ensure there are available seats on all buses. Please complete the survey so we can select students for specific days.
- Lynx have informed us that they will not run the 414 service and suggested students use the 34 and 36 service. Students using public buses should adhere to guidance related to travelling on public transport.

In order for us to implement the next stage of planning, we require further information from you regarding planned uptake of this provision. Therefore, **ALL Year 10 parents/carers must complete the online survey by clicking on the link below:**

<https://forms.gle/eAX2ad89P32Xzdhw7>

We need this to be completed by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May please. Once this information has been collated, we will be in a position to confirm our arrangements for your son / daughter ahead of week beginning Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June. If government guidance changes between now and the 8<sup>th</sup> June we will of course amend our plans and keep you informed. At this stage attendance is not compulsory for any student but we must have a survey response for every student so we can plan accordingly.

Please do get in touch if you have any questions or concerns please add these to the comments box on the bottom of the survey.

We very much want to support you and your children as best we can at this difficult time and to continue to educate them as well and as safely as possible. Thank you for your understanding and support.

Yours sincerely

Alastair Ogle

Principal