

Dear Parents/Carers,

Initially we would like to wish you a 'Happy New Year.'

Following the recent Government announcement regarding schools reopening, we are confirming the arrangements for the start of term. Our area has been identified in The Contingency Framework, which means we have had to change our plans for students returning to school. This is not the ideal start to the Spring Term, as we would have preferred for the students to be onsite to attend their lessons. However, we must prioritise the safety and welfare of all those who attend the school and our local community.

Therefore, the students will be accessing their lessons from **Tuesday 5 January** as outlined below:

- Week beginning Monday 4th January the school is to open only for children of critical workers and vulnerable children. Remote learning will be provided for all other learners. The normal timetable will be followed but lessons will be 45 minutes rather than 60 minutes. There will be an assembly on Tuesday, Form Tutor catchup on Wednesday and an assembly on Friday. If you wish your child to access supervised onsite provision to complete their online lessons email office@ramseyacademy.com. Further details are available on the school website outlining how to access remote learning.
- Week beginning Monday 11th January the school to open for children of critical workers, vulnerable children and students in Year 11 (and 13). Remote learning will be provided for all other learners. There will be an assembly on Monday, Form Tutor catchup on Wednesday and an assembly on Friday. If you wish your child to access supervised onsite provision to complete their online lessons email office@ramseyacademy.com.
- Week beginning Monday 18th January all students to return full-time except for those schools where The Contingency Framework implementation still applies. The Contingency Framework will be reviewed by the 18th January 2021. If we have to continue to deliver lessons via remote learning, we will inform you as soon as possible.

Students who attend onsite supervision will not be expected to wear uniform. Packed lunches will be available to purchase and free school meals will be provided those who are eligible.

We ask that if any student displays covid-19 symptoms or has been asked to self-isolate they must not attend any lessons onsite.

The school has been asked to plan for covid-19 lateral flow testing to be carried out for all students. We are in the process of finalising the arrangements and will update you on the process next week.

The BTEC exams due to be taken by Year 11 students from 13 January will go ahead as normal.

As always, thank you for your continued support during these challenging and ever-changing times.

Stay safe and best wishes

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