

# Great Wyrley Academy

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Dear Parents / Carers

Following on from the announcement by the Prime Minister last night, I write to confirm that Great Wyrley Academy will be closed with immediate effect until after February half term. The only exceptions to this are the children of key workers and a small number of students who we have contacted individually.

For all other students, we revert with immediate effect to remote learning using our Google Classroom platform. Students already have their Google log-ins. We are following our normal 6-period school timetable.

Remote Learning guidance for students and parents can be accessed herehttps://sites.google.com/windsor.windsoracademytrust.org.uk/student-and-parentguidance/home

Please contact <u>support@greatwyrley.windsoracademytrust.org.uk</u> if you require technical support or a device to help your child study.

If you need advice on how to stay safe online during this period of closure the following are useful websites:-

https://www.net-aware.org.uk/ https://www.internetmatters.org/ https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/

If you have any safeguarding concerns, online or otherwise the names of the Safeguarding Team are at the end of this letter with the relevant email address.

## Vocational exams

The external vocational exams for some Year 13, Year 12 and Year 10 students will still be going ahead as planned over the next few weeks; these students have been contacted individually and should attend school to complete their assessments at the arranged time.



I have written a separate letter to the parents of Year 11 and Year 13 students as the Prime Minister's announcement also included information about the summer exams not taking place as normal.

### Free School Meals

Those who qualify for a free school meal will be sent an email voucher through WONDE. It is likely that a government scheme will replace this in coming weeks. We will inform you if and when this happens.

#### Year 7 Parents Evening

The Year 7 parents evening on the calendar for next week will not be going ahead as planned. Instead, parents will be being contacted as part of our pastoral support programme by Head of Year 7 Ms Foyle. We hope to rearrange the parents evening for a more suitable date and time later in the academic year. In addition to this, the Heads of Year for the other year groups will be contacting all of our students over the coming week as part of our safe and well checks (and tracking engagement with remote learning).

Thank you for your continued support of school and for supporting our programme of remote learning. Stay safe over the coming weeks.

Yours sincerely

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Ian Moreton Headteacher

#### **Useful Information**

#### Keeping up to date

Letters and parent bulletins can be found on our News tab or using the links on the Parent page of the school website. Follow us on the usual social media platforms.

#### Student illness

Please let us know if your child is ill and unable to complete their Google Classroom work by emailing <u>info@greatwyrley.windsoracademytrust.org.uk</u>. Please let us know how long you think they will be unable to complete the work and if the illness is suspected coronavirus

#### **Questions or queries**

General questions or concerns about your child, the work set or other issues please email <u>info@greatwyrley.windsoracademytrust.org.uk</u>.

#### Safeguarding

The Great Wyrley Academy Safeguarding Team members are:-

Mr C Bailey Ms J Foyle Mr D Fielder

Please email <u>cbailey@greatwyrley.windsoracademytrust.org.uk</u> if you have any concerns in the first instance.

However, if you have a safeguarding concern about a child outside of school hours please call First Response on 0800 131 3126. If there is an urgent response needed please phone 999 or 111.

For anything else please email <u>info@greatwyrley.windsoracademytrust.org.uk</u> or use the contact us page on our website.