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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to update you as promised regarding the full return to the academy week commencing Monday 8 March 2021.

**Asymptomatic testing and consent:**

Thank you for the overwhelming majority of parents who have completed the asymptomatic testing consent form to enable us to plan for our students return to the academy. If you have yet to complete this consent please do so by 3:00pm today (Tuesday 2 March) for us to be able to ensure all students are addressed through our planned schedule noted below.

Please click the link: <https://www.nunthorpe.co.uk/our-academy/letters/11-01-2021-lateral-flow-testing-consent/>

If you choose not to consent to your child being tested in the academy, please be aware that when we move to student home testing, as per the DfE guidance we will be unable to provide the home testing kits to your child. Students must complete three supervised tests within the academy to be able to access this provision. This has been instructed by the government and PHE to ensure that testing is carried out correctly to increase effectiveness and reduce potential transmission. If you do choose not to consent this will not affect or delay your child attending the academy but we encourage as many people as possible to do so. Being able to identify and isolate any asymptomatic cases will undoubtedly make the academy a safer place for all students and staff.

**Exemption from testing:**

The guidance states that someone who has tested positive in the last 90 days may be at risk of recording false positive results in future tests. Therefore, if you have given consent/are going to give consent and your child has tested positive in the last 90 days then can you please let us know by emailing: [lcoulthard@nunthorpe.co.uk](mailto:lcoulthard@nunthorpe.co.uk) so that we can ensure that they are not tested on site at the present time.

We will begin the process of testing students on Wednesday 3 March 2021. Students will be invited into the academy at an allotted time from Wednesday 3 March 2021.

**Year 9 to 13:** (Please see table below)

Students should only turn up at their allocated time slot and report to the turnstile gate next to main reception. Students are not required to attend in academy uniform. Students will be required to register for their test and will be guided through this process by trained staff. Once students have been registered they will be tested and then be required to leave site to return home continuing to follow lockdown rules closely. A text and email will be sent to parents/carers, or directly to KS5 students via the NHS. On receiving a negative result students (Years 9 to 13) will then be able to attend the academy from Monday 8 March 2021 at their usual staggered time and access their lessons and curriculum as they did prior to lockdown 3.

**Year 7 and 8:** (Please see table below)

Students should only turn up at their allocated time slot and report to the turnstile gate next to main reception. Students are expected to arrive in full academy uniform. Students will be required to register for their test and will be guided through this process by trained staff. Once students have been registered they will be tested and then go to their form room to commence lessons. Students will sit in a directed seating plan and parents/carers will receive test results by text and email via the NHS. All students receiving a negative test will remain in the academy and continue their usual staggered time and access their lessons and curriculum as they did prior to lockdown 3. Any student with a positive test result will be required to be collected from

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the academy asap. They will be supervised in a separate room in the main reception building until they are collected. Please contact the academy asap if you receive a positive test result by telephoning 01642 310561 – please make it very clear that your child needs removing from their lesson by a member of the pastoral team.

The schedule below means that all students will be tested and back in lessons by Tuesday 9 March 2021.

Any Years 9 to 13 students who are not being tested can return to the academy on Monday 8 March 2021 at their usual time. Students in Years 7 and 8 can attend from the same point as the remainder of their tutor group on either Monday 8 or Tuesday 9 March (Please see the table below).

Critical worker children and vulnerable students who have been accessing on site provision will be able to continue to do so. All students who are currently attending the academy and have given consent will have received their three tests by Friday 5 March 2021.

Further information on home testing will follow closer to the date of its issue.

**First test schedule: Week commencing Monday 1 March 2021:**

Day	Date	Register on site (studio)	Year Group	Tutor Group
Wednesday	3 March	8.30am	Year 13	JEC
		9.00am	Year 13	SD
		9.30am	Year 13	KAD
		10.00am	Year 13	AZ
		10.30am	Year 12	LE
		11.00am	Year 12	BH
		11.30am	Year 12	MJ
		12.00 noon	Year 12	LY
		12.30pm	Year 12	SGN

Day	Date	Register on site (studio)	Year Group	Tutor Group
Thursday	4 March	9.00am – 10.30am	Mixed	Vulnerable and critical worker students on site (test 3)
		10.30am	Year 11	JP
		11.00am	Year 11	ASD
		11.20am	Year 11	DMB
		11.40am	Year 11	AP
		12.00 noon	Year 11	ASM
		12.20pm	Year 11	BW
		12.40pm	Year 11	JED
		1.00pm	Year 11	JL
		1.20pm	Year 11	JMO
		1.40pm	Year 11	RP
		2.00pm	Year 11	SB
		2.20pm	Year 11	VP

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Day	Date	Register on site (studio)	Year Group	Tutor Group
Friday	5 March	9.00am	Year 10	VT
		9.15am	Year 10	SMH
		9.30am	Year 10	RT
		9.45am	Year 10	RR
		10.00am	Year 10	RH
		10.15am	Year 10	PHB
		10.30am	Year 10	NR
		10.45am	Year 10	AL
		11.00am	Year 10	AO
		11.15am	Year 10	CHG
		11.30am	Year 10	GR
		11.45am	Year 10	JI

Day	Date	Register on site (studio)	Year Group	Tutor Group
Friday	5 March	12.30pm	Year 9	ALG
		12.45pm	Year 9	DB
		1.00pm	Year 9	DS
		1.15pm	Year 9	FL
		1.30pm	Year 9	HH
		1.45pm	Year 9	HM
		2.00pm	Year 9	HSG
		2.15pm	Year 9	KLC
		2.30pm	Year 9	KTG
		2.45pm	Year 9	NC
		3.00pm	Year 9	VD
		3.15pm	Year 9	VG

**Week commencing Monday 8 March 2021:**

Day	Date	Register on site (studio)	Year Group	Tutor Group
Monday	8 March	9.00am	Year 8	APD
		9.15am	Year 8	ABP
		9.30am	Year 8	CO
		9.45am	Year 8	CSC
		10.00am	Year 8	DBD
		10.15am	Year 8	KB
		10.30am	Year 8	KD
		10.45am	Year 8	LA
		11.00am	Year 8	LM
		11.15am	Year 8	PC
		11.30am	Year 8	SLD
		11.45am	Year 8	STN

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Day	Date	Register on site (studio)	Year Group	Tutor Group
Tuesday	9 March	9.00am	Year 7	APM
		9.15am	Year 7	CL
		9.30am	Year 7	EMW
		9.45am	Year 7	EW
		10.00am	Year 7	FG
		10.15am	Year 7	KGW
		10.30am	Year 7	LC
		10.45am	Year 7	LT
		11.00am	Year 7	NHO
		11.15am	Year 7	AH

**Second and third test schedules** will be completed internally and students collected from lessons on the relevant day. All students will be tested between the PHE recommended 3-5 days testing schedule.

For the remainder of this week all students will continue to access their learning via Zoom timetable of lessons, as they have done so up until this point. This will continue for Year 7 students on Monday 8 March 2021 only. All students will be able to access their onsite curriculum from Tuesday 9 March 2021.

**Face masks:** It is essential that all students are provided with a face mask from home (unless previous exemption has been agreed). To comply with updated government guidance, all students and staff are required to wear face masks at all times in the academy other than when they are sat down and eating or drinking. This includes wearing a mask in all lessons. Further information regarding expectations on returning to the academy will be shared in a further communication at the end of the week. I will continue to send weekly parental updates or more frequent should the need arise, to keep everyone informed as we move through the remainder of the term and academic year.

Many thanks for all of your support to date and in ensuring your child attends at the relevant allocated time slot over the next two weeks.

If you have any concerns or queries please contact your child's form tutor, teacher or pastoral manager in the first instance.

Take care and stay safe

Kate Kell  
**Head of School**