



Blue Coat Church of England Academy Update

Over the next few weeks, we will be gradually reopening the school to some pupils but this will be limited to allow us to implement the safety measures required to reduce the risk of spreading Coronavirus. We appreciate that there will be anxiety about returning to school but we have worked exceptionally hard to make the school as safe as we possibly can to accommodate the return of some year groups.

There will be three separate provisions based in three separate blocks.

The provision for vulnerable pupils and the children of keyworkers will continue – based in the mobile block on the playground.

Year 10 will be invited in for one to one interviews at a specific time beginning on 15th June. We hope to arrange some face to face teaching sessions later in the term. This will be based in the **Grove** building.

Year 12 will have a new timetable, beginning on 15th June, providing one face to face teaching session, per subject, per week. Students must attend at the allocated times to ensure that we minimise the number of students in the building at any one time. This will be based in the **Main** building.

A range of safety measures will be in place. This includes:

- Requiring all pupils and staff to wash their hands every time they enter or leave the building.
- Staggering the start and finish times for different groups.
- Reducing the amount of time pupils will spend in school, minimising the amount of social contact between pupils.
- Introducing one-way systems to reduce contact between pupils
- Significantly increasing cleaning throughout the day. Once used, classrooms will be cleaned before another group uses it.
- Only allowing staff and pupils on site, we will have to request that any meetings with parents/carers or visitors will be conducted by telephone or via email.

Unfortunately years 7, 8 and 9 will not be able to return to school for the foreseeable future. We will continue to set work via Show My Homework. Please contact your child's Head of Year with any issues or concerns.

Please check the school website regularly for further updates www.bluecoatacademy.org