

Ref: BPE/EWA/Updatefromgovernmentannouncement

5 January 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

**RE: GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCEMENT: NATIONAL LOCKDOWN**

It is with a heavy heart that I write to you, as we again move into further restrictions and lockdown measures across the country. I firstly want to assure you that again, we are prepared to do all we can to support our students and our local community at this difficult time.

I am sure you will be aware of the key messages from the Prime Ministers statement last night, but essentially, we are again in a full lockdown, with certain restrictions on what we can do and access as a society. The full details can be found here:

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/949536/NationalLockdownGuidance.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/949536/NationalLockdownGuidance.pdf)

From an education perspective, we are delivering full remote learning to all Year Groups from now until February half-term. The guidance that we have already sent out regards this and our platforms, stays the same, and I am delighted to say how impressed I have been with the numbers already accessing live lessons on Microsoft Teams this morning.

My staff are dedicated to providing high quality remote learning during this time and ensuring that students can maintain an educational experience of value during this lockdown period.

We do have a provision running for children of critical workers where there are no other childcare options available, and to children who are deemed vulnerable. If you feel that your child is eligible for this provision and you need to access this, please email Mrs Warner on [ewarner@cityofpeterboroughacademy.org](mailto:ewarner@cityofpeterboroughacademy.org)

For those children who are eligible for Free School Meals, we will be sending you the appropriate voucher codes very shortly, so that families are provided with this facility throughout the lockdown period.

For parents and carers of Year 11 students, we will be sending out separate correspondence to you this afternoon, following on from the Prime Ministers announcement that there will be changes to the summer GCSE examinations. For any students sitting vocational exams in; Music, Sport, Health & Social Care, Creative iMedia, Enterprise & Marketing or Child Development in the next couple of weeks – **these exams are still going ahead**. Remote lessons for Year 11 are still also going ahead.

During this term, we also had planned mock exams for students in Year 9 and 10. For the time being, these have been postponed, and we will work hard to ensure that they can be incorporated into our curriculum model smoothly and efficiently, at a more appropriate point.

I would like to also assure you that staff are still available for appropriate contact. So the office and phone lines will be staffed by the admin team and general enquiries can still be sent to [admin@cityofpeterboroughacademy.org](mailto:admin@cityofpeterboroughacademy.org) . Your child's Year Team are still also available to contact, as well as specific staff across the Academy for any particular questions relating to their job role.

Although I know this time will be a difficult one for us all, it is important we try to remain positive, and support each other through these times. Please take care, stay safe and I look forward to seeing all the students when they return to the Academy.

Yours Sincerely,



Mr B Pearce  
Principal



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