



26th February 2021

Return to College from March 8th

Dear All,

Following the recent government announcement, students who are currently at home need to attend college from March 8th. If your child is already at college this should not have much of an impact.

If your child is at home you should start preparing them for the return from March 8th. We have contacted you all individually regarding individual circumstances. We are really looking forward to having everyone back at college.

We continue to review our procedures and organisation regularly to ensure that The Park College is as safe as possible. All of the systems put in place before the current lockdown still apply. Our full COVID-19 Risk Assessment is updated regularly.

Students are currently bringing in their own lunch. However, from next week students can make their own lunch in Healthy Living sessions on Fridays and can bring in £3 if they wish to do so on this day. The Coffee shop remains closed but we hope to reopen after Easter and hot meals daily for students will return at £3 per day.

Students may continue to wear face coverings while at college and on home to college transport. Good mask hygiene will continue to be a focus of learning for those who choose to wear a face covering. Students are taught good hygiene practice and wash hands regularly, and surfaces are regularly cleaned. Staff also wear face coverings. Staff testing for COVID has been established and staff are tested twice a week. Students are tested weekly.

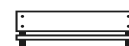
We will continue to offer students rapid asymptomatic testing at college weekly and for students returning after March 8th. Those returning will need to do 3 tests at college. Students will need to administer the swab themselves and any students unable to do this do not have to as it is voluntary but it is advised. If you would like your young person to have this test at college you need to return the attached consent form on their return.

From March 15th, testing kits will be available for all staff and students to do at home and testing will no longer take place at college. More information and a consent form for home testing kits will be sent to you next week.

As always, please don't hesitate to contact the college if you have any questions or concerns.

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