



15 December 2021

Dear Parents & Carers of year 8 and 9

It is with regret that I write to inform you that due to staff absence we are asking Year 8 and 9 students to study from home on Thursday 16 December 2021. We hope to be able to be fully open as normal from 6 January 2022.

Normal seasonal illnesses combined with some limited isolations around Covid-19 mean that we unfortunately do not have the required number of staff to keep open to all year groups. Please note that this means we are unable to open for any students in Year 8 and 9 and that this includes the children of parents who are key workers.

All students will be provided with work to complete at home, where possible we will deliver online learning through MS Teams which students can access through their iPads.

We are only asking your child to learn from home because we do not currently have enough staff to have them at the Academy, they are not being asked to self-isolate and the school remains Covid-19 secure. The school remains open to students in Years 7, 10 and 11 who can continue to attend school as normal.

We know that asking for Years 8 and 9 to learn from home may significantly inconvenience you, and this is not a decision that we have taken lightly.

We will provide work via MS Teams for the students to complete on Thursday 16 December.

Warm regards,

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