

EEMSept2020/Covid19/JF

25 March 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

I hope this letter finds you and your family well. I would just like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support during this challenging term. Our young people have committed to their Distance Learning during the national lockdown and we really value your support in ensuring that they were in good routines and engaged in their live lessons. I am incredibly proud of the way that our school community has pulled together during these difficult times!

Please be aware that **Thursday 1 April is an INSET day** at The Link Academy, therefore learners break up for Easter on Wednesday 31 March, at the end of the school day. We hope that as Covid-19 restrictions are lifted gradually, you can start to enjoy some social interaction in outdoor spaces from 12 April 2021. Although we have had a challenging return, I am now pleased that as of 24 March, all year groups are back in school. During the Easter Break, selected Y11 learners are being offered some small group revision and workshop sessions to enable them to further secure their evidence for GCSE grades.

**Covid-19 Home Testing:**

Please be aware that on Monday 24 March all learners will be issued with enough Covid-19 home tests to allow you to test them twice weekly throughout the Easter break and before their return to school. These are government guidelines and we are required to follow them at all times. We are recommending that you do the home tests on the following dates:

Sunday 28 March  
Wednesday 31 March  
Sunday 4 April  
Wednesday 7 April  
Sunday 11 April  
Wednesday 14 April  
Sunday 18 April

All learners return to the Academy on **Monday 19 April 2021**.

You must report your child's Covid-19 home test results to the following TWO places please:

[https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=Hg4R8gzHJkuDOc\\_OaZtztbDC12kvL0hIvzgs1eLz\\_hNURU9KQkdRTEILQ0xZME5EM0RTNTJQTDhXNS4u](https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=Hg4R8gzHJkuDOc_OaZtztbDC12kvL0hIvzgs1eLz_hNURU9KQkdRTEILQ0xZME5EM0RTNTJQTDhXNS4u)

<https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a happy Easter break. We very much hope that we can expect a return to a full summer term with attendance of all of our learners in all years.

Yours faithfully



Mrs E Edwards-Morgan  
Principal