

KLA Bulletin

Monday, January 4th 2021

KLA School Day Care for children of Critical Workers

Dear parents and carers,

Thank you for identifying your child as being eligible to attend KLA during the coming period of school closure, beginning on Tuesday 5th January 2021.

We are pleased to be able to support your family during this challenging time, and we are looking forward to seeing your child in school with us over these weeks. The current government expectation is that this secondary school closure is due to last for two weeks, finishing on Friday 15th January (Friday 8th January for Year 11). However, it is clear that plans are increasingly likely to change – if they do and this closure ends up being for longer, please be reassured that your child's eligibility to join us on-site whenever you need to send them will continue until such time as normal return to school is possible.

Please note the following information

- The school will be open for normal school hours – 8.30 a.m. – 3 p.m.
- School transport is currently running as usual.
- On arrival, all pupils should make for the Central Hub, where staff will be waiting to direct them into their base rooms.
- Pupils should bring stationary, if possible a set of headphones to connect to the school audio and, if necessary, a packed lunch.
- The school canteen will be open, serving a limited range of cold food only. Pupils eligible for FSM will be given a packed lunch from the canteen each day.
- Pupils will participate in the same online lessons that their peers are accessing from home
- Pupils should wear full school uniform at all times when attending KLA.
- The same risk assessments will be in place as we have had throughout the pandemic, including the greatest level of physical distancing we can provide along with ventilated classrooms.
- Mask wearing will be compulsory for pupils at all times when on site, following a recent update of government coronavirus guidance for schools.
- In the unlikely case of poor or dangerous behaviour, including failure to follow coronavirus protection measures, we reserve the right to disinvite pupils from this provision. Please do take a few moments to discuss with your child the reasons we have such measures in place and how important it is that they are all followed – keeping staff, pupils and our wider community of families safe at the current time remains the top priority for everyone at KLA.
- Your child will be based in a relatively small group of pupils, and will work as far as possible at the same desk in the same room each day they attend, in keeping with the tight seating plans we have already established last term. We intend to use rooms in the central hub area of the school for these groups.
- For this period of closure, to help keep things very simple, we are making some changes to the school day. Pupils attending school will have a break at the beginning of the day and a one-hour lunch break. Other comfort and refreshment breaks will be offered at various points during each day.

I hope this email contains all the information you feel you require. If you have any other queries please email me on alan.fletcher@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk and I will do my best to provide an answer!

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Best wishes

Alan Fletcher