



31<sup>st</sup> December 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Further to my letter dated 18<sup>th</sup> December, and in accordance with the update provided by the government yesterday, all students will now be working remotely via Microsoft Teams from Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January with exam groups scheduled to return on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January and all other year groups on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January (please see the info graphic below for clarification).

As per my previous letter, there will also be a provision for vulnerable students and students of keyworkers. For keyworkers not already registered with us there is an application process available via our website at <https://magnusacademy.co.uk/parent-information/school-letters/>.

Department for Education

## Return dates for primary and secondary schools and colleges in England

Year group	w/c 4 Jan	w/c 11 Jan	w/c 18 Jan
Exam years (years 11 and 13)	Prioritise remote education	Return to school	Continue at school
Primary (years 1-6)	Return to school with some local exceptions*	Continue at school with some local exceptions*	Continue at school with some local exceptions*
Secondary / college (years 7-10 and 12)	Prioritise remote education	Prioritise remote education	Full return to school with some local exceptions*
Primary / secondary vulnerable and critical worker	Return to school	Continue at school	Continue at school
Special school	Return to school encouraged	Continue at school	Continue at school
Alternative provision	Return to school	Continue at school	Continue at school

\* In some local areas, under the contingency framework students will have remote education except for exam years and vulnerable and critical worker children. Special schools for primary years should continue to allow pupils to attend full time.

Prior to students returning to school we will be making preparations to test all students for whom we have received testing consent. If you have not yet provided consent for your child to be tested prior to their return, and wish to, please do so via the form that was sent out on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December.

There will be a whole school briefing for all students which will take place via Microsoft Teams at 8.30am on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January, to which your child will be invited. All students should join this meeting remotely during which we will share as much information as possible regarding our plans for the coming weeks; if available, parents are welcome and encouraged to listen in.



After the briefing, lessons will start at 8.45am and students will follow their normal timetable with teachers delivering lessons online, via Teams. Your child should have their Teams login details in their planner. If they have any problems accessing Teams they should email [sflanagan@magnusacademy.co.uk](mailto:sflanagan@magnusacademy.co.uk) who will be available to assist from Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January.

I would like to thank you again for your support in advance of another challenging term. You can be assured, as always, that your child's safety and education is at the heart of everything we do.

Yours faithfully

**Mr J Semmelroth**  
**Head of School**