



31st December 2020

Dear parents/carers,

Re: Arrangements for the reopening of Iceni Academy

I hope that you have had a lovely Christmas with your loved ones.

I wanted to write to you as soon as possible with revised arrangements for the start of term, following the announcement from the government yesterday. Although there has been a lack of clarity, I am confident that we will be able to continue to offer your child high quality education, regardless of whether they are in the academy, or learning remotely.

If your child is in Years 7 - 10:

- January 4th - 8th: Students will be able to access consolidation and greater depth activities via the platforms in the table below.
- January 11th - 15th: Students will receive live lessons via Teams, following their normal academy timetable. We have created a short video to explain how to access Teams which you can view by clicking this link: <https://youtu.be/vE5bCI-ZVFI>. Students will be able to access lessons via mobile phones, tablets or desktop/ laptop computers.
- From January 18th onwards: Students return to the academy.

If your child is in Year 11:

- January 4th: Students will be able to access consolidation and greater depth activities via the platforms in the table below.
- January 5th - 8th: Students will receive live lessons via Teams, following their normal academy timetable. We have created a short video to explain how to access Teams which you can view by clicking this link: <https://youtu.be/vE5bCI-ZVFI>. Students will be able to access lessons via mobile phones, tablets or desktop/ laptop computers.
- From January 11th onwards: Students return to the academy.

Platform	Login information
Hegarty Maths	hegartymaths.com Click 'student login' then complete your details. If you have forgotten your password, please email your maths teacher.
SAMLearning	www.samlearning.com Click 'login.' Our centre ID is IP26MH. Username and password is your date of birth plus your initials (first name and surname) in the format DDMMYYFL.

GCSEPod	www.gcsepod.com This platform is aimed at Years 10 and 11, but may also be useful for Year 9. Click 'Login'. If you not already registered, click 'New Here? Get Started' and follow the instructions on screen.
Oak National Academy	https://classroom.thenational.academy/ No login details needed. You can access 10,000 free video lessons, resources and activities covering most subjects for all students in Years 7-11.

Live lessons will be recorded and accessible on Teams in each class the student belongs to. This means that they can be accessed again or watched at a different time where students have to work around shared IT equipment. Teachers will take a register for all lessons and if a student is unable to access a lesson they should email their teacher explaining this and then email to confirm that they have watched the lesson and completed the work when this has been done. It is important that we know of any students who have not accessed the learning expected for their return to the academy and so we can contact them to provide support.

When I wrote to you at the end of term, the expectation was that Year 11s would be back in the academy at the start of term. As this is no longer the case, if you are a key worker or your child has been identified as vulnerable and would like to now take up a place under this basis for next week, please complete the form using this link: https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=xvPxNKLgvEKeaG_LzQ05veU326e71gNkmNSw809k41dUQVZFT1BHMFVSTkZJMU5WMU1CWVI0S05XVi4u.

Students working in the academy will access the same work as students working at home.

As we are in a Tier 4 area, the government has advised that students who are clinically extremely vulnerable should not attend the academy in person until further notice. The definition of CEV is included at the end of this letter. If your child is CEV then please contact the academy to discuss this and to make arrangements for remote learning.

Buses will run as normal on Monday. Please ensure that if your child will be attending that they are at the bus stop in good time. Students who attend the academy should be in full academy uniform, but should bring PE kit to keep in the academy to allow for PE or exercise to happen where possible every day.

As yet, I do not have any formal information on the testing process that should be starting in all schools in January and I will write to you again by Friday 8th January to provide an update on this and any other developments that take place over the course of the week. Please be assured that I, along with all members of the academy and Trust, continue to work hard to ensure the continuation of education for all of our students and a safe environment for everyone.

Yours sincerely,



Lesley Hogg
Principal