## Iceni Academy



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Principal: Mrs Lesley Hogg



Dear parents/carers, 26.03.21

I continue to be amazed at how strong our community is here at Iceni. The way that we, as an academy, have been supported to continue to deliver education to our students despite the obvious challenges has been outstanding. Thank you to all the parents and carers that have watched over their children as they have taken part in online lessons. Thank you to all the staff that have delivered lessons, or supported students during this time. Most of all though, I would like to thank our students. They have proved their resilience time and time again, repeatedly choosing to do what has been asked of them, even when this has changed on an almost daily basis. We will work hard next term to ensure that all students arrive at the summer break with the same knowledge that they would have acquired had they attended during a 'normal' year. Their hard work during lockdown has made this task possible, and I am grateful to them for that.

We have been working hard to find a way to allow students to be able to move around the academy, instead of being restricted to a single room for the entire day. I am delighted to say that, as from the start of next term, we will be able to do this. Students will once more be able to access the specialist rooms needed to fully interact with the practical subjects. This will be on a trial basis, and will be reviewed in terms of everyone complying with the extra precautions (one way system, wiping down of tables and chairs etc.) that will be put into place. Students are today being issued with their new timetables with the new room numbers on them.

We have not received updated guidance as yet on being able to use changing rooms again, so students will still need to wear PE kit to the academy on the days that they have PE. As we will thankfully be in the summer months, there will be no need for the students to keep wrapping up warm and as such hoodies will no longer be permitted under blazers.

We are sending those students who are happy to continue to be tested at home off with tests to last over the holidays. These are not mandatory, but if you and your child are happy for them to be tested, please continue to do this twice weekly, with a test being completed on the Sunday evening or Monday morning prior to their return. As per the protocol in previous breaks, if your child starts showing symptoms within 48 hours of being in the academy, and tests positive, or tests positive using a home test within 48 hours of being in the academy, please let me know on <a href="mailto:helpme@iceni.attrust.org.uk">helpme@iceni.attrust.org.uk</a>

Please find attached to this letter the summer programme for the PE clubs timetable, as well as our latest Newsletter.

Wishing you all a Happy Easter,

Kind regards,

Lesley Hogg.

Principal.