



CLAYTON HALL ACADEMY

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Dear Parents/Carers

I would like to start by thanking everyone for their ongoing support in what has been one of the most challenging weeks across the country.

Lateral Flow Testing update

I am delighted to let you know that our Lateral Flow Testing is now up and running, with weekly testing begun for staff and students on site. Thank you to everyone who has already completed the Form to provide their consent (or to let us know that you do not wish to consent to your child completing the test). This test is entirely optional. If you have not yet completed the form, please can you do so using this link:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=jem3QMUZmEyGRuANLqs3Vw7wKIWNlStEjmKKuBrLVNRUMThRRURKUEZTUkFLMkpBTEZIQ1ExQVJM5C4u>. Please complete the form whether you consent, or not, as we need to know both types of response. If you have any questions about Lateral Flow Testing please email Mrs Dutton-johnson (sduttonjohnson@claytonhall.academy) or Rachael Jones (Rachael.jones@claytonhall.academy).

Examinations

Year 11 live learning sessions have been very positive this week – well done to all! On Wednesday, the Secretary of State for Education announced that this year's examinations would be replaced, with teacher assessment being used as a basis for these examinations. We do not yet know the details of this but will update you as soon as we know more. Now, more than ever, it is imperative that all students continue to work hard to continue to make progress. Teachers will be continuing to review all ongoing work and use this alongside PPE1 and the PPE2 scheduled for March to support their decisions about final grade. There is still around 5 months of hard work to maximize progress before the end of the summer term.

Year 7-10 Live Learning

Years 7-10 live learning sessions start in earnest from Monday 11th January. These will take place during normal timetabled slots. We have advised students that they need to make sure they are up, showered, dressed, and had some breakfast ready to start the day. We have also asked them to have to hand your books for the day (if they have them), some paper and Smart Start equipment. If you are having any difficulty in accessing the live learning, please contact your House leader as a matter of urgency so we can help you to resolve any issues.



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Thanking our Keyworkers

We are looking for ex-pupils who are keyworkers, who would be willing to share a photo and a few sentences about what they do for our Facebook page. If you yourself, or one of your relatives attended Clayton, and are currently a Key Worker and would like to be involved please email Mrs Hulme (kerry.hulme@claytonhall.academy.) We are really looking forward to thanking our local superstars.

Looking after yourselves and others

If you feel that your child needs some support during the lockdown period, please contact us so that we can see how we can help you. There are lots of ways we can help with Emotional Support, Digital resources, Accessing teams and Free school provision as just a few examples. Please contact your child's house leader in the first instance. If you have any safeguarding concerns about a young person, please contact our Designated Safeguarding Lead – Mrs Kay (Deb.kay@claytonhall.academy)

Our school reception is open too during the closure period from 8.30-3.30pm and you can always reach our voicemail, even outside of these hours (please do leave us a message as the mailbox is continually monitored).

Kind regards



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