

16th July 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

As we approach the end of the Summer Term, we are writing to share with you plans for the return of all students in September 2020. We would like to thank you for your patience in us sharing this information with you, we are sure you can appreciate that a lot needed to be considered in order to ensure the safety of all students and staff.

With the support of Oasis Community Learning, we have completed an in-depth risk assessment which has been reviewed by the academy's local health and safety committee. This committee will continue to meet weekly until further notice.

As you will be aware, the Government has made it clear that all students, in all year groups, are expected to return to school full-time from the beginning of September. You [can read the guidance here](#)/by searching for 'DfE guidance parents.'

To ensure that all students and staff can return safely, there are a significant number of actions that the Government have asked us to take. We must:

- Minimise the risk of transmission of coronavirus
- Be able to continue teaching and learning in the case of a local outbreak
- Alter how we run the Academy day-to-day to meet the new safety requirements
- Amend our curriculum, behaviour and pastoral support offer in the context of all the new arrangements.

In response to these requirements, we have created our Parent & Student Guide to September 2020; please [click here](#) to view this document. In this guide you will find all the information you need to ensure you and your child are prepared to return to school in the Autumn Term. However, we have included some key information for you below.

- **First day of term**

There will be a staggered start to the new academic year for all year groups. Please see the below table for your child's first day of term.

	Monday 7 th September 2020	Tuesday 8 th September 2020	Wednesday 9 th September 2020	Thursday 10 th September 2020	Friday 11 th September 2020
Year groups to attend:	Year 7 Year 11	Year 7 Year 8 Year 11	Year 7 Year 9 Year 11	Year 7 Year 10 Year 11	Year 7 Year 8 Year 9 Year 10 Year 11



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The start time for the first week of term will not vary; all students will be expected to arrive as per our staggered arrival times set out below. The only exception to this will be Year 7 who will be allocated specific arrival times for their first week of term by mentor group. This will be confirmed directly with Year 7 parents.

All students will be expected to be in the Academy every day from **Friday 11th September 2020**.

- **Timings of the day**

It has been necessary to extend the Academy day in order to ensure we can maintain social distancing on arrival and dismissal, at break and lunch, and also allow for regular hand washing/sanitising throughout the day, but especially at break and lunch time.

Each year group will have an allotted arrival time between 7.45-8.25am (please see below table). Upon arrival they will go straight to their mentor room, the exception being their first day of term when they will make their way in through their allotted entrance to the Academy (please see below table) and await further direction from staff.

Please note: for the first two weeks of term, students in Years 7 & 8 will arrive between 8.25-8.45am whilst we assess how busy public transport is. All other arrangements for these year groups remain the same and we will review this measure in the second week of term ready for the third.

Staggered break and lunch times will be implemented in order to ensure year group bubbles can be maintained when students are outside of classrooms. By doing this we can ensure there is sufficient outdoor and indoor space for all students to keep remain apart.

Students will be dismissed by class at the end of the day between 3.10-3.30pm. The time at which each year group leaves on each day will vary depending on their Period 6 teacher and the afterschool intervention running that day. We appreciate that this may cause some parents/carers who are collecting their child to have to wait longer on some days, however, in order to ensure students leave the Academy calmly and safely a staggered dismissal is essential.



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	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
7.45 - 8.25am	Staggered arrival to Academy Enter through Well-Being doors.	Staggered arrival to Academy Enter through black student gates then student entrance 2	Staggered arrival to Academy Enter through black student gates then student entrance 1	Staggered arrival to Academy Enter through Main Reception	Staggered arrival to Academy Enter through Internet Café
8.30 – 9.20am	Lesson 1	Lesson 1	Lesson 1	Lesson 1	Lesson 1
9.20 – 10.10am	Lesson 2	Lesson 2	Lesson 2	Lesson 2	Lesson 2
10.10 – 10.40am	Mentor	Break	Mentor	Break	Mentor
10.40 – 11.10am	Break	Mentor	Break	Mentor	Break
11.10 – 12.00pm	Lesson 3	Lesson 3	Lesson 3	Lesson 3	Lesson 3
12.00 – 12.50pm	Lesson 4	Lunch	Lesson 4	Lunch	Lesson 4
12.50 – 1.40pm	Lunch	Lesson 4	Lunch	Lesson 4	Lunch
1.40-2.30pm	Lesson 5	Lesson 5	Lesson 5	Lesson 5	Lesson 5
2.30 – 3.20pm	Lesson 6	Lesson 6	Lesson 6	Lesson 6	Lesson 6
3.10-3.30pm	Staggered Dismissal	Staggered Dismissal	Staggered Dismissal	Staggered Dismissal	Intervention/ Staggered Dismissal

- **Uniform and equipment**

When students return in September they will be expected to wear full Academy uniform. In order to maintain good ventilation in the building we will have windows open throughout the year, including in winter months when the weather is colder. It will therefore be necessary for all students to have a jumper to wear under their

blazer. Where possible this should be the Academy jumper. The FOAC have some good quality second hand jumpers available to purchase at significantly reduced prices, please [click here](#) to email them. Alternatively, if you are unable to obtain an Academy jumper we will permit students to wear plain **black V-neck jumpers**.



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Students will also be required to be outside at break and lunch throughout the year as this is a safer space for large numbers of students to gather. We will only implement wet weather plans on the rare days of extremely heavy rain, therefore students are required to attend with a warm and waterproof coat.

Please also be aware that students will not be able to change for PE in the Academy. On the days they have PE they should attend wearing their PE kit.

In order to reduce the risks of COVID transmission between the Academy and home, we request that students bring the bare minimum of personal possessions with them to the Academy. This should include one bag with a fully stocked pencil case, their record book, which they will receive in their first day, a water bottle and a packed lunch. Our Diner will be open as usual but we would encourage all students to bring a packed lunch wherever possible.

- **Behaviour expectations**

Our expectations for behaviour when we return remain as high as always. In fact, it is even more important that students conduct themselves with maturity and consideration for others in order to maintain the safety of themselves, their peers and their teachers. Students will still be expected to hand in the mobile phones at the start of every school day, this will of course be carried out in a safe and controlled way.

- **Cash & Payments**

Please be advised that in order to reduce risks of transmission through surfaces we will not be able to accept cash payments under any circumstances. All payments will need to be made via ParentPay or PayPoint. If you have any queries concerning either of these methods, please do not hesitate to contact our [Finance Department](#).

We completely understand that you will need to feel confident about the arrangements. Please take the time to read the accompanying [Parent and Student Guide to September 2020](#) document where we explain in more detail how school will work in this 'new normal' environment. If you have any questions or concerns that are not addressed in these documents, please do not hesitate to contact us.

We are aware that for many students this extended period of absence for from the Academy will cause some feelings of anxiety about returning in the new academic year. We are therefore offering the chance for students to attend the Academy for a short tour in the last week of the summer holidays to help them prepare for the new term. The numbers for tours will be limited, and spaces are bookable by emailing [Kelly Radford](#). We will issue these on a first come first served basis.

We have also created this short video showing the arrangements we have made in the Academy. Please [click here](#) to view this presentation and view the September 2020 Arrangements section of the page.



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We have received notification of some exciting summer programmes running during the summer via the Council. Please see below to view the posters. We are also pleased to share with you a crib sheet of key contacts over the summer to help keep you and your child safe. Please [click here](#) to view information.

Thank you as ever for your patience and understanding during this time, and the support you are providing to your child. We cannot wait to welcome them back in September so that they safely and happily can get back to their studies.

Finally, we would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a safe and enjoyable summer.

Yours sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Mr A Booth in black ink.

Mr A Booth
Executive Principal

Handwritten signature of Ms C Green in blue ink.

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Associate Principal



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A Covid-secure
summer project for
ages 6-18.
7th-21st Aug

Visit
www.cyto.org.uk to
sign up!

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat



#CYTOBackTogether
Performances: 20th & 21st August



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Virtual SUMMER PROGRAM

Mon-Fri, 11am-12pm-8-12yrs & 2pm-3pm-13-19yrs

THE PROGRAM INCLUDES

Tues 14th- Fri 17th July
Tues-Fitness
Wed-Boys Group
Thur-Art
Fri-Fun Friday

Limited Spaces Available



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THE PROGRAM INCLUDES

Mon 20th -Fri 24th July
Mon-Music
Tues-Fitness
Wed-Girls Group
Thur-Creative Writing
Fri-Fun Friday

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Mon-Fri, 11am-12pm-8-12yrs & 2pm-3pm-13-19yrs

THE PROGRAM INCLUDES

Mon 27th -Fri 31st July

Mon-Music

Tues-Fitness

Wed-Life Skills

Thur-Carnival Theme Art

Fri-Dance Challenge


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Youth Voice Summer Programme



YOUNG
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For young people aged 13-18, who live or study in Croydon
Youth forum Meeting

Thursdays 4-5pm
Ms Teams app

Regular meeting where we discuss current issues affecting young people in Croydon, as well as developing projects to tackle those issues. This is also a place for young people to learn about and debate about wider societal issues like racism, sexism, the wealth gap etc...

Mental Health and Wellbeing Group

This is a group focusing specifically on mental health and wellbeing, which meets once a week with the aim of developing projects and campaigns relating to youth mental health. During the summer, each session will be exploring different mental health issues, including depression, eating disorders, anxiety.

Wednesday 4-5pm
Ms Teams app

Friday 4-5pm
Ms Teams app

Virtual Film club

We aim on watching thought provoking films and documentaries and discussing the issues raised and how they relate to lives of young people in Croydon. Films should be watched in your own time and then we will meet to discuss them.

Young womens Circle

What does it mean to be a young woman in 2020, experiences of sexism impacting on lives of young women in Croydon, exploring the types of role models that media puts forward to young women,

**Monday 13th July,
27th July & 10th August
4-5pm Ms Teams app**

Young Mens Circle

What does it mean to be a man in 2020, exploring Unrealistic and Stereotypical Portrayals of Men in the Media and the Culture, Exploring Masculinity – What is society teaching young men to aspire to be?

**Monday 20th July,
3rd August & 17th August
4-5pm Ms Teams app**

To join, please email youngcroydon@croydon.gov.uk



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CDI summer talkbus service

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
3 Shrublands Ball Court 1pm to 4pm	4 Broadcombe Monks Hill Estate 1pm to 4pm	5 Castle Hill School Fieldway New Addington 1pm to 4pm	6 Northend Croydon 1pm to 4pm	7 Blackhorse Lane Addiscombe 1pm to 4pm
10 London Road Outside Invictus 1pm to 4pm	11 Central Parade New Addington 1pm to 4pm	12 Castle Hill School Fieldway 1pm to 4pm	13 Northend Croydon 1pm to 4pm	14 Waddon Leisure Centre 1pm to 4pm
17 Peppermint Centre Valley Park 1pm to 4pm	18 Tesco Brigstock Road Thornton Heath 1pm to 4pm	19 Castle Hill School Fieldway 1pm to 4pm	20 Northend Croydon 1pm to 4pm	21 Arena Oasis South Norwood 1pm to 4pm
24 Tollers estate Old Coulsdon 1pm to 4pm	25 Windmill Road Selhurst 1pm to 4pm	26 Castle Hill School Fieldway 1pm to 4pm	27 Northend Croydon 1pm to 4pm	28 Purley Leisure Centre Purley 1pm to 4pm

**If you need information advice and guidance please visit the talkbus or call
Monday to Friday, 1pm to 4pm, 0759037823**

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