



# Wigston Academies Trust

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you have had a happy and healthy Christmas and New Year and I write to update you on the latest COVID guidance which we received from the government this weekend.

As well as reviewing and updating our Risk Assessment and Protective Measures the government are also asking us to ensure that students wear face masks on their return to school and college. These are to be worn in all inside areas of the school and college where social distancing is not possible for example in corridors, whilst queuing in the canteens and in assemblies. **Masks are also, under the new guidance, required to be worn in classroom, unless your child is exempt.** Please can you contact your child's Head of Year if this is the case and you have not previously advised us of this.

As you are aware we have been asked to set up on-site testing for Year 7 to 11 students for whom we have received parental consent. In order to facilitate this, we informed you before the end of last term about the need to stagger the return of our students. Please see the details below as a reminder.

Day	Year group
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	Year 7, Year 12 and Year 13 return to school/college at the normal time
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	Year 11 and Year 8 return to school at the normal time
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	Year 9 and Year 10 return to school at the normal time

During the staggered return students can access appropriate work via the school website:  
<http://wigstonacademy.org/remote-learning/>.

Students in Years 12 and 13 are asked to self-test either on the evening of 4th January or the morning of the 5th January.

We are really looking forward to welcoming our students back, as with the start of each term, students will spend some time on the first day following our welcome back programme which reminds students of: study skills, personal goals, Trust values and support with mental and physical health.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish those students who are taking exams this term, all the very best with them.

Finally, thank you for your support in ensuring that we are able to welcome our students back safely to the start of the term.

Yours faithfully,

Mr M Wilson  
Headteacher  
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