

“It takes a whole community, to bring up a child”



# Ark Boulton Academy

25<sup>th</sup> February 2021

## Letter to parents following 22nd February 2021 announcement.

Dear Parent/Carer,

You will have heard the Prime Minister's announcement about schools and the decision to have all year groups back in full-time education on Monday 8th March. You can read the government's plan [here](#).

We cannot wait to welcome back all our pupils, but I appreciate that there may be some nervousness for us all as we approach this. I want to assure you that, as ever, the safety and wellbeing of your children and our staff remains our priority.

For secondary schools specifically, the government's plan includes:

- All students and staff wearing face coverings inside, including classrooms, where social distancing cannot be maintained.
- All students who have provided consent taking three COVID-19 tests as they return to school at existing school testing facilities.
- After the initial programme of three tests in school, students will be provided with two rapid tests to use each week at home.
- Staff will also be provided with two tests to use each week at home.

We will now start planning for a safe return to school for our students and staff, and I will share more information with you as soon as these are finalised.

If your child is in an exam year group, we expect the government to announce further details later this week and will provide you with an update once this information has been published.

In the meantime, please do continue to support your child with remote learning and we look forward to seeing your child in lessons soon.

Yours sincerely,

Mr D Richards (Head of School)

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