



24 August 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

## **Further Information on the re-opening of Monkwearmouth Academy to all Students**

I sincerely hope that you and your family are well. We continue to look forward to a whole school return in September and I want to take this opportunity to provide you with some further information regarding our return as well as providing a reminder about some key points.

It is important to note that we are continuing to prepare for a full return in accordance with Government guidance, however, should this guidance change prior to September we will need to respond to this appropriately and may need to make required adjustments to our plans as a result. Our risk assessment for the full reopening will be published on the school website by 1 September 2020 and we welcome any feedback or queries on the measures we have put in place.

### **Return to School Timings**

All students will return to school on Wednesday 2 September 2020. On this day only the timings are:

Year 7	8.30am – 1.00pm (lunch will be available)
Year 8	11.00am – 2.00pm (lunch will be available)
Year 9	12.00pm – 2.30pm (lunch will be available)
Year 10	12.30pm – 2.45pm (no lunch available)
Year 11	1.00pm – 3.15pm (no lunch available)

If any student in Years 10 or 11 is eligible for free school meals and requires a grab and go bag on this day please email [mdb@mwacademy.co.uk](mailto:mdb@mwacademy.co.uk) so that this can be arranged.

From Thursday 3 September 2020 onwards the school day will have staggered start and end times to enable appropriate social distancing:

Year 7	8.25am – 2.45pm
Year 8	8.25am – 2.45pm
Year 9	8.35am – 3.00pm
Year 10	8.35am – 3.00pm
Year 11	8.30am – 4.00pm (Year 11 students to enter school via the main entrance)

As previously advised students in Key Stage 3 will be taught in their tutor bubbles, students who will be in years 8 and 9 from September may have a change of tutor group based on sets. Parents/carers of these students will receive an email this week confirming which tutor group they have been allocated to.

**Please note that all students will finish school at 2.00pm on a Friday** to allow for additional cleaning and for staff training to take place. To ensure that students still receive their full timetable allocation, the lunch break will be reduced to 30 minutes per day.



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I hope that this letter provides additional information and provides re-assurance. If you have any queries regarding anything contained in this letter please contact [contactus@mwacademy.co.uk](mailto:contactus@mwacademy.co.uk)

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Grummett', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mike Grummett  
Headteacher