



Ark All Saints Academy

Tuesday 30th March 2021

Dear Parents,

Re: End of Term

It is great to have reached the end of term 4. We have only been open again for 4 weeks, but we are already in the routine of 'back to school'. We have now finished the phase of Covid testing in school and have been providing your child with testing kits to take home with them to complete every Sunday and Wednesday. On their final day of term, we will also be giving scholars a testing kit with 7 tests for them to use over the Easter holidays. The Department for Education have said that scholars should continue testing over the holiday break and specifically on **Sunday 18th April**, the day before we all come back to school and work. The test results must be uploaded onto the government website: <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>

Further info on this will be shared in the new term and can be found here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/what-parents-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-covid-19>

Should an LFD test done at home show a positive result you will be required to book a PCR test using the website: <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test> Scholars will be required to isolate until you receive the result of the PCR test and we kindly ask that the academy is kept informed of results. If the PCR is negative scholars will be able to end their isolation period. If the result is positive scholars will need to continue their isolation until their 10 days is finished. Please keep us informed by emailing info@arkallsaintsacademy.org

Track and Trace over the Easter holiday

If your child develops symptoms of Covid (high temperature, loss or change to sense of smell or taste, new or continuous cough) before Saturday 3rd April OR they have a positive lateral flow or PCR test result you **must** inform the school. We will then begin our normal contract tracing procedures. After the 3rd April please keep us informed, however, please note we will not respond until we return to school.

If your child attends the Easter holiday club (further details below) and develops symptoms or tests positive you **must** let us know immediately and your child cannot attend the Easter holiday club. Email us at info@arkallsaintsacademy.org

How parents can support their child over Easter:

This is exactly the same as we agreed in your child's 1:1 meeting before they joined the school.

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Uniform

We understand that many shops have been closed which has led to issues around uniform. Our school shop is open every Wednesday from 2:45pm-3:45pm. We sell branded school skirts if you are struggling to get one in high street stores.

Once we return in term 5 we must insist that if your child wears a skirt to school it must fall **below the knee**, if they wear trousers that they are **dark grey** (not black) and that white socks are only worn for PE lessons with their PE kit.

We also expect your child to be in smart, black, leather (not suede) school shoes. We have included some appropriate and inappropriate school shoes below. All of these are listed online as 'school' shoes however please pay attention to what we are looking for our children to wear: smart, black, leather shoes. If in doubt, call the school to check. We want our children to look professional.

Equipment

Your child must be fully equipped each day with the below items. Please use the Easter break to check with your child they have everything they need. We cannot teach your child without these things.

	<u>Item</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Equipment	Pencil case	30cm or longer and clear
	Folder	A4, provided by the Academy
	Passport	Academy day book provided by the Academy
	Calculator	Scientific (available from the Academy Shop)
	Reading book	Available from the Academy Library
	Water Bottle	Clear plastic
	In pencil case	Green pen
Red pen		
Ruler		30cm
Protractor		
Eraser		
Sharpener		
Highlighter pen		x2 colours
Ink pen		Blue or black pen – biro/fountain x2
Pencil		x2



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How will the school support scholars over Easter?

We are very excited that we are to be open over the Easter holidays. We are able to be open every day for different bubbles to attend. Your child can attend our Holiday club from 10am-1pm on the following dates in April:

Year 7: TUESDAY 6th and MONDAY 12th

Year 8: WEDNESDAY 7th and TUESDAY 13th

Year 9: THURSDAY 8th and WEDNESDAY 14th

Year 10: FRIDAY 9th and THURSDAY 15th

Year 11: FRIDAY 16th

They should wear their own clothes, bring water and cold snacks with them and be ready for a morning of sports, board games and other activities on school site. If you are planning for your child to attend, please ensure they are on time and arrive through the Pitman Street gate.

Year 11 scholars will also be onsite during the first week to attend pre-arranged intervention. There will also be additional year 11 activities after these interventions run by the year 11 team.

How will the school support parents?

This has been a hard year for parents. You are the experts in your children and we love working with our families. Your child's Pastoral Director is always the first port of call for any issues you would like to discuss with the Academy. No issue is too small to us. We offer a wide range of family support services; healthy eating, how to manage conflict, how to establish good routines at home. We get that parenting is tough and it is normal for parents to feel lost and lonely at times. If you are struggling with housing issues, anti-social behaviour problems, growing pains with your teenagers, please talk to us so we can help work out how best to support you.

We never underestimate how important you are in your child's education. Together we are stronger.

Thank you to all of you who have sent us messages of support. They have made a huge difference to our morale.

Finally, I wish you a peaceful Easter break and look forward to your child's return to school on Monday 19th April 2021.

Yours faithfully

Ms Frame



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Not smart or professional



Trainers



Plimsols- not sturdy or safe enough for school



Not plain black and not sturdy



These are boots



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