



LEARNING CHANGES LIVES

11 January 2021

Dear Parent/ Carer,

Following the government's announcement last week of a further period of 'lockdown' the Academy has reverted to online learning with effect from Wednesday 6 January 2021.

Online Learning

Staff will be available via Microsoft Teams during your child's scheduled lessons and all completed work should be uploaded to Teams for assessment and feedback.

I appreciate that some students may be sharing devices/ laptops/ PCs and that work completion may therefore be outside of the scheduled lesson slots. However, it is important to ensure that students keep up with work and seek help and guidance as required.

We are hoping to receive a further delivery of laptops from the Department of Education shortly, and these will be distributed in response to need as soon as possible.

Free School Meals

Free School Meal vouchers will be issued to those unable to attend school during the lockdown period. These are being processed at present and we hope to be able to distribute these to parents entitled to Free School Meals within the next few days.

Access to Learning

It is imperative that parents contact their child's Achievement Coordinator if they are unable to access learning at home as soon as possible. We shall endeavour to put in place appropriate support to ensure every child is able to continue to access the curriculum.

Students on Site

Those students who are entitled to attend school must come in full school uniform. No child should be sent to school if they are displaying symptoms of Covid-19, or have been exposed to someone who has tested positive for the virus or is displaying symptoms, before they have completed 10 days of isolation. Under no circumstances must a child attend school without first contacting the Vice Principal, Mr Ellis, to confirm their attendance- rellis@lanfranc.org.uk

Lateral Flow Tests

These are now freely available to students and staff. Please complete a consent form to allow your child to receive a test when in school.

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Examinations

The government has once again announced that GCSE and A Level examinations this summer will not take place. However, at this stage, it is not yet clear what method will be used to calculate student grades. In the interim it is imperative that students continue to engage with their learning as it is likely that ongoing student assessment will form the basis for any request made by examination boards for predicted grades.

I shall continue to update you as things develop but for the time being learning will continue to be home-based until at least the end of February half-term (21 February 2021).

In the interests of supporting staff, many of whom are working from home, I should be most grateful if you would email Achievement Coordinators in the first instance rather than telephoning Reception. Please find below the details of the Achievement Coordinator for your child's yeargroup. Under no circumstances should you attend site in person unless by specific appointment.

Year 7 – Mrs Willis	ewillis@lanfranc.org.uk
Year 8 – Mrs Kataria	rkataria@lanfranc.org.uk
Year 9 - Ms Forster	cforster@lanfranc.org.uk
Year 10 – Mr Waterman	rwaterman@lanfranc.org.uk
Year 11 – Mr Likoray	clikoray@lanfranc.org.uk

Thank you once again for your ongoing support and please continue to stay safe and well in these challenging times.

Yours sincerely,



Michael del Río
Principal