

1st April 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have now reached the end of the second term of the year. Despite the disruption caused by the second national lockdown, the students have engaged well with their learning this term both remotely and on site after their return on the 8th March. We were delighted to welcome the students back in school and we hope that the next term will bring no further interruptions to their learning.

Covid-19 safety controls

In terms of the Covid-19 safety controls, we have run the same systems as last term with Year group bubbles separated both in lessons and in their movement around the school. The students have adjusted well to the requirement of wearing a face covering in lessons and around the school and this requirement will be in place after Easter and until further notice.

The asymptomatic lateral flow device testing introduced in schools this term has helped us to identify and isolate positive cases of coronavirus within the school community. The government encourages both students and staff in schools to continue testing twice a week over Easter holidays and before their return to classrooms using the home test kits provided by the school. The second batch of home test kits have been distributed to the students this week. Additional home test kits can also be collected from the school reception.

Contact tracing over Easter holidays

In addition to supporting students with home testing, the schools have been asked to continue with contact tracing during the first 6 days of the Easter holidays in order to support the NHS Test and Trace process. We ask parents and carers to inform the school of a positive case if either symptoms or a positive home LFD test occurred within 2 days of your son being in school. Where this is the case, we will identify close contacts and advise the close contacts to self-isolate to prevent the spread of the virus. Please include the following information when you contact the school and email it to info@cfbs.islington.sch.uk:

- Full name and date of birth of your son
- Last day in school
- Day the symptoms started or
- Day of the positive LFD test (if your son had no symptoms)

Where symptoms or a positive home LFD test occurred more than 2 days since your son was last at the school, this does not need to be reported to the school. Where this is the case, parents and carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.





Assessment of student progress

Since students have returned to school, we have been running assessments of their progress and will continue these assessments until the end of this academic year. We will report to you on the progress of your son at a Parents' Evening that we will run for individual Year groups online during the summer term.

Start of the summer term

The summer term will start on Monday 19th April.

We wish our students and their families a restful term break.

Yours faithfully,

Jamie Brownhill Headteacher

