



The Sutton Academy

Together Students Achieve

Principal: Mrs Alison Sherman

17 March 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Firstly, can I thank you for your support this week. It is obviously an unprecedented and challenging time for us all.

I thought it would be useful to provide an update on the situation here at the academy.

The advice from the Chief Medical Officer is that all schools should remain open at the moment. However to protect our student and staff we have significantly increased the level of cleaning around the academy by employing additional staff who continually clean contact surfaces.

We have also cancelled any non-essential meetings at the academy and as such, the Year 7 Partnership Evening has been postponed. Events where large groups of students are together, such as assemblies, have now been cancelled.

You will appreciate that with whole families now being advised to self isolate our student attendance is low and staff absence is high. We are asking both staff and students to follow the latest advice from the Government and Public Health England i.e.

- anyone who lives alone and has symptoms* of coronavirus illness (COVID-19), however mild, should stay home for 7 days from when the symptoms started.
- anyone who lives with others and they, or one of the household members, have symptoms* of coronavirus, then all household members must stay at home and not leave the house for 14 days. The 14 day period starts from the day when the first person in the house became ill.
- it is likely that people living within a household will infect each other or be infected already. Staying at home for 14 days will greatly reduce the overall amount of infection the household could pass on to others in the community.
- anyone in the household who starts displaying symptoms will need to stay at home for 7 days from when the symptoms appeared, regardless of what day they are on in the original 14-day isolation period.

The most common symptoms* of coronavirus (COVID-19) are the recent onset of a new continuous cough and/or a high temperature.

Work is being set for all students who are unable to attend the academy and parents have been informed how to access it. We will ask parents to collect students who are in the academy but are showing any of the symptoms above.

I will continue to communicate with you on a regular basis and do all I can to continue to provide a good education for our students.

Yours faithfully

A M Sherman
Principal

Our Sponsor:  St Helens College

In Partnership with:

 PiXL
Partners in excellence

Visit us here:    