



Friday 26th February 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

We are writing with details of the arrangements for the return to on site learning for all students.

Please accept our apologies for this staggered return, we know you are very keen to get back to normal, however, we have to operate within the confines of the legislation and the requirement to complete lateral flow testing. We are working on a programme to allow us to complete 3 lateral flow tests (LFD tests) for all consenting young people at Ridgeway Academy, which will begin next week.

As you can see, we have prioritised the year groups receiving grades this year. Students should continue to work on google classroom while they transition back to school. More details will come out to you next week on the preparation for return to school.

W/C 1st March – Initial lateral flow device test – Remote Learning all week

Please note you will receive an email with your child's individual appointment time slot.

1st LFD Test	Year group
Wednesday 3 rd March	Year Groups: 10, 11, 12, 13
Thursday 4 th March	Year Groups: 8, 9, 10
Friday 5 th March	Year Groups: 7, 8

W/C 8th March

As above, for all tests taking place on Monday 8th and Tuesday 9th March you will receive an email with your child's individual appointment time slot.

Date	Year group
Monday 8 th March	2 nd LFD Test - Year Groups: 10, 11, 12, 13 Remote learning
Tuesday 9 th March	2 nd LFD Test - Year Groups: 8, 9, 10 Remote learning
Wednesday 10th March	All students return to on-site learning 2 nd LFD Test - Year Groups: 7, 8

The 3rd LFD test will then take place when the students are back on site.

Arrival/Departure from school

To allow for social distancing, we will continue to request students enter and exit school as follows:

Entrance/Exit	Year Group
Front gate (Hern's Lane), Reception side	Year 7 & Sixth Form
Front gate (Hern's Lane), H Block Side	Year 8
Sports Hall gate	Year 9
Back field gate	Year 10 & Year 11

Uniform

All students are required to their full school uniform.

For Years 7, 8 and 9 they are expected to wear their school PE kits on the days that they have PE only. All other days they are expected to wear their school uniform.

For Years 10 and 11 students are expected to wear their school uniform every day, and will need their sports kit at school on the day of their PE lesson so that they are able to change into it.

Face Coverings

All students require two clean face coverings (and a small plastic bag in which to keep them) which they should wear at all times when in School buildings. They are also **required** to wear face coverings in lessons in which is not possible to maintain a 2-metre social distance from others.

Best wishes
Ridgeway Academy