



Information for Parents/Carers

Moving from Lockdown to Tier 2

From 2nd December, we will move from National Restrictions for Covid-19 into Tier 2 - High Alert.

What will change at school?

As schools have remained open during the national restrictions, much of our practice will stay the same. We will move to the Tier System and must follow the rules set out for the tier we are in - at present, this is Tier 2.

Will students and staff still wear face coverings?

As is current practice, students and staff will be expected to wear face coverings when moving about the Academy. The guidance for schools states:

When an area moves to the local restriction tier 2 or tier 3, in education settings where year 7 and above are educated, face coverings should be worn by adults (staff and visitors) and pupils when moving around indoors, such as in corridors and communal areas where social distancing is difficult to maintain. As in the general approach, it will not usually be necessary to wear face coverings in the classroom, where protective measures already mean the risks are lower, and they may inhibit teaching and learning.

What should parents/carers do?

We kindly ask that parents/carers continue to help us in keeping our community safe by:

- Ensuring that those who have coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms, or who have someone in their household who does, do not attend school. Please contact us on the health.advice@holbrookacademy.org email or 01473 328317 to inform us of any Covid related issue or absence.
- Providing your child with suitable face coverings and bags for safe storage of reusable face coverings.
- Reminding your child of the need to clean hands thoroughly and more often than usual.
- Reinforcing good respiratory hygiene with your child by promoting the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach.
- Encouraging your child to minimise contact between individuals and maintain social distancing wherever possible.

What happens if my child has to isolate at home?

Students who are isolating at home have access to learning via Google Classroom. For any questions about the work your child is doing if at home isolating, please contact the class teacher in the first instance.

Will examinations go ahead?

The guidance from the government sets out that:

'exams will go ahead next summer, as they are the fairest and most accurate way to measure a pupil's attainment. We therefore need to keep schools and colleges open so that children are able to keep progressing towards exams and the next stage of education or employment. Students now have more time to prepare for their exams next year, as most AS, A levels and GCSEs will be held 3 weeks later to help address the disruption caused by the pandemic.'

Students in Year 11 will sit mock examinations in January and will soon receive a timetable of the planned mock examinations.

Where can I find further information?

The government updates the information for parents and carers at regular intervals and can be found [here](#).



Key contacts at school:

To advise of any Covid-19 related absence:- health.advice@holbrookacademy.org

Covid-19 queries:- covid.info@holbrookacademy.org

General emails:- parents@holbrookacademy.org

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To support the health, safety and wellbeing of ourselves and each other, **ALL** students have a responsibility to:

Wear a face covering whenever you are walking around the school.



Stay in zone - any movement between zones must be agreed and should be supervised. Know your zone for the day and use the correct ENTRY and EXIT points.

Be prepared for learning - bring the essential learning kit you need for the day.

Follow instructions - this includes instructions from teaching and support staff and signs around the school.

Keep safe by following the guidance around:

- Not coming to school if you display **Covid 19 symptoms**
- **Hand washing** - before and after putting on / removal of face masks, entry and exits, before and after eating
- Respiratory Hygiene - '**Catch it, Bin it, Kill it**'
- Keep **space** around you and others
- Be responsible during break and lunchtime - **no physical contact** - **SPACE, no sharing of food.**
- **Never bring gum** into school.

Stay ALERT to Covid



We must keep on protecting each other.



HANDS



FACE



SPACE

STAY ALERT • CONTROL THE VIRUS • SAVE LIVES

TIER 2

HIGH ALERT

FROM 2 DEC

MEETING FRIENDS AND FAMILY <p>No mixing of households indoors, apart from support bubbles. Maximum of six outdoors.</p>	BARS, PUBS AND RESTAURANTS <p>Pubs and bars must close, unless operating as restaurants. Hospitality venues can only serve alcohol with substantial meals. Venues must stop taking orders at 10pm and must close by 11pm.</p>	RETAIL <p>Open.</p>	WORK AND BUSINESS <p>Everyone who can work from home should do so.</p>
EDUCATION <p>Early years settings, schools, colleges and universities open. Childcare, other supervised activities for children, and childcare bubbles permitted.</p>	INDOOR LEISURE <p>Open.</p>	ACCOMMODATION <p>Open.</p>	PERSONAL CARE <p>Open.</p>
OVERNIGHT STAYS <p>Permitted with household or support bubble.</p>	WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS <p>15 guests for weddings, civil partnerships, wedding receptions and wakes; 30 for funerals.</p>	ENTERTAINMENT <p>Open.</p>	PLACES OF WORSHIP <p>Open, but cannot interact with anyone outside household or support bubble.</p>
TRAVELLING <p>Reduce the number of journeys you make and walk or cycle if possible. Avoid busy times and routes on public transport. Avoid car sharing with those outside of your household or support bubble. Avoid entering a Tier 3 area, other than where necessary such as for work or education. Further exemptions apply.</p>	EXERCISE <p>Classes and organised adult sport can take place outdoors, but cannot take place indoors if there is any interaction between people from different households. Organised activities for elite athletes, under-18s and disabled people can continue.</p>	RESIDENTIAL CARE <p>COVID-secure arrangements such as substantial screens, visiting pods, and window visits. Outdoor/airtight visits only (rollout of rapid testing will enable indoor visits including contact).</p>	LARGE EVENTS <p>Sport, live performances and business meetings limited to 50% capacity or 2000 people outdoors (whichever is lower) and 50% capacity or 1000 people indoors (whichever is lower)</p>

Find out what support you can get

For example, if you're out of work, need to get food, or want to take care of your mental health.

[gov.uk/coronavirus](https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus)

If you have any coronavirus symptoms:

A high temperature • A new, continuous cough
A loss of, or change to, your sense of smell or taste.

Get a test and stay at home