

Dear Parents and Carers,

## Important Update – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January

Further to my letter last week on the arrangements for the next couple of weeks, I am writing to you with an important update regarding tomorrow. All Oasis academies will be holding an additional INSET day on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January, in addition to the one today.

I apologise for the late notice of this change but considering reports that the new variant of the coronavirus can travel between people more quickly, we wanted to ensure that we are doing all we can to keep everyone safe.

The controls we have had in place at the school since September have worked well to keep our school community safe, and tomorrow we will be revisiting each to ensure we remain fully compliant. Our Health and Safety Committee will be meeting, and as a staff team we will again go over the safety measures we have in place.

All schools within the Oasis Community Learning family will be using the day to double, treble check the precautions, and if possible, introduce additional safeguards. Please rest assured that this is not due to any concerns at the Academy about the measures we have in place, rather we are taking the time to go through everything methodically. As ever, everyone's health and safety is our priority.

### Primary - Children of critical workers, or those determined as 'vulnerable'

The Academy will be open to all children whose parents are key workers, or who are determined by the DfE as 'vulnerable', from Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January, not Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January as originally planned. Please check the attached information provided for further guidance on this.

### Primary – All other children

All other children will be able to access remote education from Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January, not Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January as originally planned.



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If your child receives free school meals, but they are not eligible to come to school at this time, then they will be able to collect a hamper from Wednesday from the Academy, further details to follow

Once again, I apologise for the late notice of this change; please rest assured that we are doing all that we can to make the Academy safe for everyone, reduce risk however we can, and to be open for as many of our pupils as is safely possible.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,



Clare Wingrave

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