



21st August 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter reaches you and your families in strong health - body, mind and spirit. I would like to take this opportunity to formally introduce myself as the new Principal for Isaac Newton Academy. I am very excited about the prospect of serving the community and the new challenges that lie ahead.

It has certainly been an eventful six months for communities across the globe as a result of the pandemic and other events such as the tragic passing of George Floyd, which have caused much sadness and hardship for many. Although we have to acknowledge that there will be a continued period of uncertainty and challenges, I am optimistic that there will be long lasting positive changes leading to a better Britain.

My responsibility as Principal is to be a catalyst for such change. My vision for the community is to strive to ensure that the students and families we serve continue to receive excellent levels of care and academic support, whilst pushing new boundaries in pursuit of the ambitions I have for the academy and community. This begins with ensuring as we enter the new academic year, despite the uncertainties, we start immediately preparing our Year 6, 11 and 13 students for their forthcoming examinations, with energy and rigour so that their futures leave a legacy for others to aspire towards.

However, the immediate priority is that we complete our preparations to ensure the safe return of all our students in September. As you can imagine staff have been incredibly busy completing the necessary changes to the academy so that we can resume full time education with the safety and health of your children at the core of our decisions. Since working with staff on these preparations, I believe that all students can return with the confidence that they will be educated safely and effectively.

Below I have summarised the key changes, some of which have been already been communicated in previous correspondence.

- Reducing mixing of students
- Creating 'bubbles' which are groups of students that stay together and don't mix with other students (the size of the bubble will depend upon the key stage your child is in)
- Reducing movement around the school site
- Promoting good hygiene including hand washing and sanitising regularly
- Cleaning throughout the day
- Staggered starts and ends to the day to avoid large numbers of students gathering

It is integral that all students return to the academy at the beginning of term, ready to start the new academic year. We must work together to ensure our students are not further disadvantaged by missing precious learning time, especially as attendance is a critical factor in the eventual outcomes at the end of KS2, KS4 and KS5.

Below are the dates from which each year group is expected to attend.

Date	Year group
Friday 4 th September	Reception, morning only
Monday 7 th September	Reception, morning only; Y1-Y6 afternoon only Y7 - morning only (8:30am-1:00pm)
Tuesday 8 th September	All primary students start back full time Y7 - morning only (8:30am-1:00pm) Y12 - morning only (8:30am-12:30pm) Y11 - afternoon only (12:40pm-3:50pm) Y13 – afternoon only (12:40pm-3:50pm)
Wednesday 9 th September	Y7 – all day (8:30am-3:10pm) Y8 – morning only (8:40am-12:30pm) Y10 – morning only (8:45am-12:30pm) Y12 - morning only (8:30am-12:30pm) Y9 – afternoon only (12:30pm-3:30pm) Y11 - afternoon only (12:40pm-3:50pm) Y13 – afternoon only (12:40pm-3:50pm)
Thursday 10 th September	All secondary students start back full time (induction continues) normal school times – see attached Timings of the School Day .

For Primary start and finish times please see the **Letter to Primary Parents - 24th August 2020** on the website

Lastly, as we strive together to ensure our vision of *equipping every student with the knowledge, learning power and character necessary for success at university and beyond*, we must remember to embrace the struggle, as achieving anything special is never easy. I look forward to serving the community at Isaac Newton Academy and meeting you all in due course.

Yours sincerely



Morgan Haines
Principal

Timings of the School Day

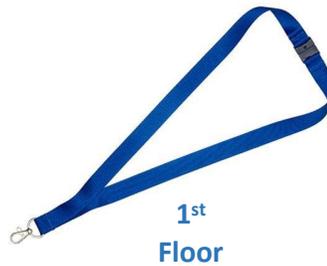
Year 7



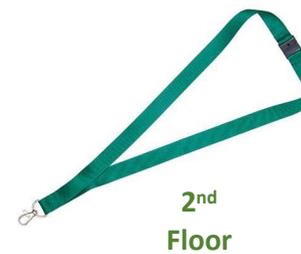
Year 8



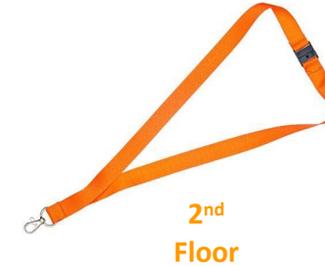
Year 9



Year 10



Year 11



Tutorial	8.30 - 9.10am	8.40 - 9.10am	8.50 - 9.10am	8.45 - 9.10am	8.25 - 9.10am
P1	9.10 - 10.05am	9.10am - 10.05am	9.10am - 10.05am	9.10am - 10.05am	9.10am - 10.05am
P2	10.05am - 11.20am	10.05am - 11.20am	10.05am - 11.20am	10.05am - 11.20am	10.05am - 11.20am
Break	10.05 - 10.20am	10.20 - 10.35am	11.05 - 11.20am	10.05 - 10.20am	11.05 - 11.20am CY
P3 and P4 double with lunch built in	11.20 - 13.50pm	11.20 - 13.50pm	11.20 - 13.50pm	11.20 - 13.50pm	11.20 - 13.50pm
Lunch	11.30 - 12pm	12 - 12.30pm	12.30 - 1pm	12.55 - 1.25pm	1.20 - 1.50pm
P5	13:50- 14:45pm	13:50 - 14:45pm	13:50 - 14:45pm	13:50 - 14:45pm	13:50 - 14:45pm
P6	14:45 - 15:10 M/W/T 14:45 - 14.45 T/F	14:45 - 15.20 M/W/T 14:45 - 14.55 T/F	14:45 - 15.30pm M/W/T 14:45 - 15.05 T/F	14:45 - 15.40 M/W/T 14:45 - 15.10 T/F	14:45 - 15.50pm M/W/T 14:45 - 15.20pm T/F