

4 January 2021

Dear Parent / Carer

Thank you for your continued support during this difficult time. As per our correspondence prior to the Christmas break, we are contacting you regarding whether or not your child meets the Department for Education's definition of 'vulnerable' and intends on attending the Academy during the next week (Year 12 and 13) or week two (Year 12).

We are keen to support the national agenda of reducing transmission and therefore want to minimise the number of students in the building. However, our priority is to continue to safeguard our students and support their well-being, therefore vulnerable students are able to attend the Academy in order to access their virtual learning and pastoral support. They will be supervised in a computer room so that they can tune in to Teams and complete their independent study.

In order for us to plan the rooming and staffing requirements for this provision, please can I ask you to complete the attached form, via the link below, by 2pm today.

Vulnerable Students Attendance Form Fill | Vulnerable students and attendance at the Academy Jan 2021 According to the Department for Education, vulnerable children and young people include those who: - are assessed as being in need under section 17 of the Children Act 1989, including children and young people who have a child in need plan, a child protection plan or who are a looked-after child - have an education, health and care (EHC) plan - have been identified as otherwise vulnerable by educational providers or local authorities (including children's social care services), and who could therefore benefit from continued full-time attendance, this might include: children and young people on the edge of receiving support from children's social care services or in the process of being referred to children's services - adopted children or children on a special guardianship order - those at risk of becoming NEET ('not in employment, education or training') those living in temporary accommodation - those who are young carers - those who may have difficulty engaging with remote education at home (fforms.office.com).

Yours sincerely

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