

Principal: Emma Robins

# GRAHAM SCHOOL



11 September 2020

Dear parent / carer,

At the end of our first week of the term, I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your support in sending your children back to school. We have been pleased with the attitude and approach of our students, which has ensured they are learning well and have made a positive start to the new school year.

As you already know, we have made significant changes in school in order to comply with government guidance for the full opening of the school. All students are within their own year group bubbles and we have completed a rigorous risk assessment, which is available on our website. Central to this, is ensuring that everyone is safe and that we are implementing preventative measures. We explained everything in detail to all students on their first day in school. We would be very grateful if you would continue to support us by reinforcing key expectations at home, including the following points:

- Everyone must clean their hands more often than usual and make use of the hand sanitiser in school. Sanitiser is available at all entrances and in every classroom.
- It is **strongly recommended** that students wear a face covering when they are in communal areas such as corridors and outside of the classroom. Please ensure that your child has a face covering with them. We understand that some students will be exempt from wearing a face covering and we are taking that into consideration. Face coverings must be worn when travelling by bus.
- If your child or anyone in your household is displaying COVID symptoms (a high temperature, a new continuous cough or a loss or change to their sense of taste or smell) please do not send them to school. Please contact us and then organise a coronavirus test for your child. This can be done on line: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/> or by telephoning 119. Any absence due to self-isolating will not affect your child's overall attendance.
- If your child develops symptoms whilst at school, we will contact you to collect them immediately. They will be isolated until collected and should have a coronavirus test.

We are delighted to have all students back at school and to have a feeling of 'normality'. I will continue to update you regularly throughout the term. Should you have any questions or queries at all, please contact us at school ([hello@gra.hlt.academy](mailto:hello@gra.hlt.academy) or 10723 366451).

Yours sincerely,

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