



Ark Evelyn Grace Academy

Tuesday 4th January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

RE: Start of the Spring Term

We would firstly like to wish you all a Happy New Year and welcome you back to a new term at Evelyn Grace Academy. Students return at normal time tomorrow, Wednesday 5th January: 8:00am for an 8:25am line-up.

Following previous communications regarding our COVID-19 management plan, we would like to politely reiterate some of the measures reinstated to closely monitor cases and maintain the health and safety of our pupils, parents, staff and community.

Face Coverings

New government guidelines require students and staff are now required to wear a face covering throughout the school day, in both communal areas and in the classroom. Any visitors attending the site must wear a mask throughout their visit. Exemptions apply, evidence of exemption will be required.

Face coverings are to be provided by parents and must be plain black, blue, green, or pink.

Student Testing

Covid-19 Lateral Flow testing for students with consent will be completed on the first day back at school, Wednesday 5th January 2022.

Testing remains essential in reducing the risk of transmission of infection within our school communities. After the first round of testing on-site, students will be expected to test twice a week whilst at home.

All results (void, negative and positive) must be reported to the NHS (<https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>) and any positive results must also be reported to our Attendance and Welfare Officer at admin@evelyngraceacademy.org.

Hygiene

Maintaining good hygiene is a key measure to reducing the risk of transmission of COVID-19. Please remind your child to wash or sanitise their hands often for at least 20 seconds, as well as covering their mouth and nose with a tissue or sleeve (not their hands) when they cough or sneeze, putting used tissues in the bin immediately and washing their hands afterwards.

We will continue to ensure students have regular handwashing opportunities: before and after eating, during break and lunch, changing rooms etc. Hand sanitiser is available throughout the school, and we will make sure that children wash their hands often.

The school will continue with enhanced cleaning arrangements, paying particular attention to surfaces that are regularly touched. We will also keep spaces well ventilated and will not allow anyone with COVID-19 symptoms to enter the site.

Visits On-Site

On-site events for visitors will not be taking place until rates of infection have declined. Visitors will not be allowed on-site unless they have a pre-arranged meeting with a member of staff, and proof of a negative Lateral Flow Test will be required.

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Parents' Evenings – Year 11 and Year 9

Parents' Evenings scheduled for the Spring Term will be run online. Attendance to Parents' Evening is vital to help support your student in their school experience and learning moving forward. If for any reason you cannot attend, please contact the school to arrange a meeting and go through your child's report.

Parent's Evening schedule:

Event	Date
Year 11 Parents' Evening – online (4:00pm-7:00pm)	Thursday 6 th January 2022
Year 9 Parents' Evening – online (4:00pm-7:00pm)	Thursday 13 th January 2022
Year 11 GCSE Readiness Evening – online (5:00pm-6:00pm)	Thursday 10 th February 2022

Academic climate: uniform and equipment

Uniform

Students are expected to be of smart and professional appearance. Wearing the Academy uniform develops students' sense of loyalty to the community of which they are members and encourages them to take pride in their appearance. Students are expected to wear full Academy uniform on the way to and from the Academy. Blazers must be worn over PE kit. The uniform policy is outlined on our [website](#) and in student planners.

If students are not in full uniform, they will not be able to attend lessons. They will work in internal exclusion until the correct uniform has been acquired or they will be sent home to change. All items of uniform should be clearly marked or labelled.

The following items are included in the academy uniform:

- Blazer with Logo (compulsory)
- Academy tie (compulsory for all students)
- Academy jumper: long sleeved or sleeveless (optional)
- Dark coloured coat, no logos
- Ark Evelyn Grace Academy PE Shirt
- Ark Evelyn Grace Academy PE Shorts
- Plain black PE Jogging bottoms
- Singled colours trainers/plimsoles
- Plain black socks
- Ark Evelyn Grace Academy PE Sweatshirt/Hoodie
- Academy bag with Academy logo (compulsory for all students)
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Boys

- Plain white shirt with buttons to the collar. The shirt can be long sleeved or (in the summer term only) short sleeved. A plain white T-shirt or vest may be worn under the shirt. Coloured or patterned T-shirts are not allowed.
- Plain charcoal grey straight leg trousers.
- Ark Evelyn Grace Academy Rugby Shirt (PE only)

Girls

- Plain white shirt with buttons to the collar that can be worn with a tie. The shirt can be long sleeved or (in the summer term only) short sleeved. A plain white T-shirt or vest

may be worn under the shirt. Coloured or patterned T-shirts are not allowed. Girls in Year 10 and 11 wear a shirt and tie.

- Plain charcoal grey straight leg trouser or plain charcoal grey knee length skirt without slits
- Plain black or grey non-patterned tights or plain black or grey ankle length socks.
- Plain, black leather or leather type, lace up or slip-ons, not suede. Laces must be black. No trainers.

Equipment

We continue to cultivate a climate of responsibility throughout the Academy. As such, students should arrive to school ready to learn and prepared for lessons. Please see below a list detailing the stationary students are expected to bring with them to school every day. A price list is also attached alongside, as students can purchase such items from the School Office during break and lunchtimes, should they need.

Stationary Item	Price List
Black Writing Pen	£0.20
Blue Writing Pen	£0.20
Red writing pen	£0.20
Highlighters (pack)	£1.00
Pencil	£0.10
Rubber	£0.10
Ruler	£0.10
Scientific Calculator	£8.00
Pencil case	£0.50
The Ark Evelyn Grace Academy Planner	£5.00

Sanctions will be issued to students who do not have the correct equipment. If you are experiencing any issues with providing any the above, please contact the School Office who will be able to assist.

We look forward to welcoming back our students tomorrow.

Yours sincerely,



Mr T Dainty

Principal

Ark Evelyn Grace Academy