

31st December 2020

Changes to January Opening Arrangements

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that this letter finds you well and that you have enjoyed the Christmas break.

January Term Arrangements

As you will undoubtedly have seen, yesterday the government has responded to rapidly rising Covid case rates by triggering their education contingency framework. This means that the already staggered return to secondary school in January will be pushed back by one week. This will also allow us to plan for the Lateral Flow Testing of staff and students.

As you know, our term should start on Tuesday 5th January with the 4th being a planned staff Inset Day. Airedale Academy will be open to vulnerable and key worker children only from the 5th but the staggered start for all other students will be as follows:

- **from Tuesday 5th January - Years 12 and 13 students ONLY will return to full time school**
- **from Monday 11th January Year 11 students will return to full time school**
- **from Monday 18th all other students will return to full time school (Years 7-10)**

We will contact parents / carers of all vulnerable and key worker children in Years 7-11, on Monday 4th January to arrange for children to be in school from Tuesday 5th January. Students in all year groups 7-11 will access remote learning from Tuesday 5th January. A letter with further details around remote learning and Free School Meals will be sent out on Monday 4th January.

Thank-you for your continued support in these extremely difficult times. We look forward to welcoming our students back to the Academy as outlined above.

Yours faithfully,



Miss L Proctor
Principal