



Thomas Adams School
Year 10 Pupil Information



Dear all,

We are really looking forward to welcoming back the large number of you who have chosen to return over the next 2 weeks.

In order for you to prepare yourself for this, please read the following information **very** carefully so that you know what to expect and you are not surprised or disappointed when you come in for your face-to-face day with core subject teachers.

1. The most important thing you need to remember is that **school will be VERY different**. You will only be allowed to mix with the other pupils in your bubble. You will not have the time or opportunity to socialise with anyone else. This is because we need to reduce the very real risk of you contracting Coronavirus and taking it home to infect your family.
2. Remember, you will only be on site from **8:45am until 1pm** and the focus of the day is to provide you with access to core subject teachers who can support and guide you with your next steps.
3. You must wear your **full uniform**, but if this does not fit, then you may wear your Thomas Adams PE kit.
4. There will be **clear signage** around the site to remind you of the **2 metre distancing** rule that is still in place, and to **sanitise your hands** upon entry and exit of your allotted classroom.
5. When you arrive at school **you must come in from the top of the bus lane**. All other gates will be closed and locked (the front gate will be open for the exit of buses and cars only).
6. If you will be **arriving by car**, please ask your parents/carers to drive down the bus lane and drop you off at the sign 'Bus Drop Off Point' by the back entrance to the hall.
7. If you are **on a bus**, the driver will not open the doors until there is a member of staff there to direct you. Please remain in your seat until you are told where to go.
8. If you are **walking**, you will be met at the gate at the top of the bus lane and told which room to go to.
9. On arrival, you will be **directed straight to a classroom** (it will be one of the demountable rooms, either in the History or RE block). You **MUST** go straight there and not hang around waiting for others.
10. You will **enter the room through the Fire Exit** (except for Room 49 where the main entrance to History will be used).
11. You must **sanitise your hands** as soon as you enter the classroom. There are photographs below that show the hand sanitising units by the doors that you will use to enter and exit the classroom.
12. It is not compulsory to wear a mask or gloves, but you may choose to do so if it makes you feel more confident and safe.
13. There will be a supply of tissues, anti-bacterial wipes and anti-bacterial spray in each room. There will also be a lidded dustbin to ensure we can follow the '**Catch it – Bin it – Kill it**' guidelines.
14. There will also be a team of cleaners on site at all times, for any additional cleaning that is required.
15. You will be greeted by a member of the Pastoral Support Team when you arrive at your classroom.
16. There will be a member of our Pastoral Support Team assigned to your bubble for the whole day and you will have the opportunity to talk to them about your experiences during lockdown. You will also be able to request a 1:1 meeting with them if there is anything you would like to discuss privately.
17. You must **go to the seat you are directed to** by the member of Pastoral staff in the room when you arrive.
18. You must **remain in this seat** for the whole morning. **You MUST NOT change seats or walk around the room**. There are photos below which show how the rooms are laid out. Desks have tape on them to indicate where you can and cannot sit.
19. Your **first session will start at 9:10am**. Each session is 1 hour and 10 minutes long, and there will be a 10 minute break between sessions when the Pastoral Support Staff will return to your bubble to supervise you. You will not leave the room.
20. During the day there will be 2 **opportunities to go to the toilet**, a member of staff will come to your class and take the whole group to the toilets and back. Other classes will not be out at the same time. If you need the toilet at any other time, then your teacher will email for a member of staff to take you there and back.

21. You will only be allowed in the main school building if you are being supervised by a member of staff when going to the toilets. This will reduce the risk of people meeting up in the narrow corridors where 2 metre distancing is very difficult.
22. You will need to **bring a pen, a snack and a drink**. You will not be allowed to go to the vending machines, and the kitchen will be closed, so no food or drink will be available. There will be rest breaks during and between the lessons, but **you will not be allowed to leave the classroom**.
23. **Paper will be provided** for you to write on and any resources given out will be cleaned when distributed.
24. **If you are struggling to cope** with the arrangements and need support. **Tell the teacher immediately** and the member of Pastoral staff allocated to your bubble will be contacted and will collect you.
25. **You MUST NOT walk out of the classroom**.
26. You may not have your regular teacher, but they will be a specialist core subject teacher.
27. During each session, the teacher will be **checking where you are up to** on the course and **providing you with guidance** and possibly resources to aid your home learning.
28. The teachers will also be **delivering course content** to help you move forward with your studies.
29. At 1pm, teaching will stop and **each bubble will be taken to collection points** to leave the site.
30. Please remember that, **when you leave the site, you should still be observing the 2 metre social distancing rules** to keep yourself and your family safe.



Remember, the measures we are putting in place must **not** be seen as a punishment.

We are trying to keep you and your families safe.

School at this time is for education and welfare checks, rather than to facilitate social gatherings.