



THE ALBANY JANUARY 2021 LOCKDOWN EDUCATION OFFER INFORMATION FOR SCHOOLS

The Albany is working closely with our parents and carers to ensure that all our students are safe and have access to a full offer of education throughout the current lockdown. However, given the increased virulence of the new variant, requiring a reassessment of the transmission potential within school, and the impact the lockdown and the virus is having on our capacity to provide a full time in school offer for all our students, we have designed a blended offer.

Our blended offer is a combination of the following:

- in school learning;
- online learning;
- work packs;
- local community one to one learning (including Push Forward);
- vocational outdoor and one to one learning (e.g. Greenlight Trust, Wood Monkey);
- supported by welfare calls and visits.

Each student has a personalised offer, co-designed with them and their parents/carers. Some parents have decided that they do not wish their child to access our face-to-face offer during the lockdown. In these cases we have prioritised community activities, welfare calls and visits to support the online and work pack offer. We will be sharing the student timetables for dual registered students with schools from Monday 18 January.

Please contact the office via office@thealbany.school or on 01284 754065 if you require further information on children dual registered with us.

We have had to reduce the offer during the first two weeks of term in order to facilitate the mass LFD testing of students and staff. We hope to have a settled offer in place from next week although this is subject to change in relation to staff capacity.

In the event of a positive case within the school community, The Albany will close for face-to-face education and all learning will go online as we are a single bubble.

We continue to keep our offer under review, ensuring that we are responding to DfE and LA guidance and meeting the needs of all our learners, including our most vulnerable students. We have prioritised Face-to-face onsite learning for key worker families and those identified as most vulnerable, although all parents who have expressed a wish for their child to access learning in school have been accommodated.

The school building remains fully open, including our office.