

# Plympton Academy

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Dear parents/carers

2nd February, 2022

We, unfortunately, continue to have staff illnesses that impact the number of teachers we have available. However, please be assured that staff are now beginning to return to the Academy after a period of isolation, and we hope to get back to normal working practices as soon as we can next week.

As staff continue to isolate, I have, regrettably, made the decision to close the Academy to the following year groups:

**Closed on Thursday 3rd February for Years 9 and 10.** Any Yr 10 students that are sitting their BTEC Sport Exam need to come into Reception for 10.45am. They will be available for collection or to return home from 12.45pm.

**Closed on Friday 4th February for Years 8 and 12**

All other year groups should attend the Academy as normal on these days.

## Arrangements for home learning

We have amended the home learning contingency provision as follows:

### **If Years 7-11 are at home:**

Students will follow their normal timetable. Tutor Time reading will not take place.

Teachers will post work on the class Google Classroom and this will take the form of a pre-recorded lesson.

Students will also be set an Exit Ticket activity to track progress and engagement.

### **If Years 12 & 13 are at home:**

Teachers will set independent study using the class Google Classroom.

## **Work for student self-isolating**

As you will be aware, when students are self isolating the class teacher will look to live stream the lesson using Google Meet. Unfortunately, because of the number of teachers who are also self-isolating, this hasn't always been possible in recent weeks.



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Therefore, if the lesson cannot be live streamed because the teacher is self-isolating, work will be made available on the class Google Classroom.

If you need support with home learning, please email [remoteteachinghelpdesk@plympton.academy](mailto:remoteteachinghelpdesk@plympton.academy).

Those students on Free School Meals on these days will have vouchers sent via email.

Students must continue to wear masks in all communal areas.

Thank you again for your continued support.

Warm regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lisa Boorman". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "L".

**Lisa Boorman**  
**Principal**