



# Wigston Academy

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26th March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the Easter break I would like to thank you all for your support in the smooth return to our school and college.

Although it has been a challenging time, our students have responded in a positive manner embodying our Trust ethos of: Respect, Ambition, Responsibility, Engagement and Resilience.

We have now completed over 6,000 "on-site tests" and have now moved to testing at home. We ask that your child continues to test at home twice each week (ideally on a Sunday and a Wednesday) throughout the Easter holidays and into the summer term.

We ask that you inform us only if your child receives a positive test result. They will also need to undertake a confirmatory PCR test at a test centre or via post.

If your child develops symptoms within 48 hours of being in school and following this they have a positive test result, then please contact the Academy via the email above giving the following information:

Their name, year group and tutor group  
The date symptoms started  
The date the test was taken  
The date of the test result

In the event of a positive case being reported to us we will contact the parents and carers of those students who have been in close contact by email with the guidance for them to self-isolate for 10 days.

Our Year 9 Options programme is now fully underway. Students have taken part in virtual taster lessons and we have introduced a revised timetable to include options such as Spanish. The Options programme will continue into the Summer term including one-to-one interviews and parents evenings. Further information can be found on our website.

We have now started our Induction programme for those currently in Year 6 and we are looking forward to welcoming them into Year 7 from August 2021. We have a fully packed and exciting Induction programme which has already begun with competitions and information being shared. Please visit the Induction tab on our website or follow our Facebook page Wigston Academy Class of 2021.

We have interviewed over 300 students including many from the Academy for places in our Sixth Form at Wigston College. We have been incredibly impressed by the quality of the applicants and we have made a number of conditional offers. Further information is available on the Wigston College website or by contacting our Sixth Form team at the College.

Congratulations to Edee-Joy Griffin 8I and Gracie Vale 8G for winning prizes in our comic relief competition. This was just one of a range of events that took place on the day to raise money and the profile of the great work that is supported by comic relief.

Easter school focussed sessions have been made available to students across the Academy and College. Thank you to all involved in offering these sessions throughout the holiday period.

Easter rewards assemblies took place this week with students being rewarded for their positive attitudes and dedication to their work. Well done to all who received prizes.

Finally, I would like to wish you all a healthy and relaxing Easter break. We look forward to welcoming our students back on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April.

Yours faithfully,



Mr M Wilson  
Headteacher  
Wigston Academy  
Wigston College

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April – Return to school times and entrances**

<b>Year Group</b>	<b>Arrival Time</b>	<b>Entrance</b>
Year 7	8.25am for 8.30am start	Site A Reception
Year 8	8.35am for 8.40am start	School Canteen
Year 9	8.25am for 8.30am start	Site B English Fire Escape
Year 10	8.35am for 8.40am start	Site B Maths Fire Escape
Year 11	8.25am for 8.30am start	Gates at the back of the College

**Dates for your Diary**

Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> April 7pm	Year 6 Early Induction Evening (Virtual)
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> April 4-8pm	Year 9 Parents Evening (Virtual)