

Safety measures at GA for full opening in September 2020

All of our safety plans are based on Government guidelines

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools>

<p>Student interactions with others:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will be reminded regularly of the need to social distance. We also expect a high level of personal responsibility in this area. • The PRAISE Code will apply to anyone deliberately not adhering to social distancing, hand hygiene and respiratory hygiene rules/routines. • Passing in the corridor is deemed low risk, however we plan to have year group zoned areas so that travel around site and mixing between year groups is minimised. • In the classroom students will be forward facing wherever possible. • At break and lunchtime students will have enough space to keep their distance by being allocated a zoned area (by year group) both inside and outside. 	<p>Hygiene and cleanliness:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will have hand washing or wall hand sanitisers on entry and these will be supervised by pastoral staff. • Wall hand sanitisers will also be available in certain areas of the school. • Enhanced cleaning will take place throughout the day, particularly in the dining hall, toilets, doors and common touch surfaces. • Students should bring their own sanitiser bottles where possible. Classrooms will have boxes of tissues, bins, wipes and hand sanitiser for use by staff and students-good routines of wiping down desks will be in place. • Classroom doors and windows will be open to aid ventilation wherever appropriate. • Water fountains will be taken out of use. Students should bring their own personal bottle of water, filled, to school. • Currently, wearing of face masks is not advised in a school setting. If students do wish to wear a face covering it must be plain. We will ask students to remove any which aren't and they will be issued with a disposable one. • Lockers for 6th Form will be taken out of use indefinitely.
<p>Travel to and from school</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If possible, we are asking students to walk or cycle to school. • They must avoid gathering in large groups. • If they see friends on their way, please maintain social distancing. • If they are traveling in a car with people, only travel with members of their own household. • Student drop off remains off site. • Parents must stay in their car and not come onto site. 	<p>Entrance to school</p> <p>The start of the school day and entrances will be staggered by year group as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Y9-forms A-H will be via English and forms M-U via Languages (start=8:40am) • Y10 will be via Student Entrance (start = 8:50am) • Y11 will follow the path at the front of the school past Music to enter by Art (start = 8:30am) • Y12 & 13 will enter through Sport@Gosforth

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When using public transport students should wear face masks/covering and should minimise the surfaces they touch. • Students should not loiter at the start or end of the day. 	<p>(start=first lesson in the day, no registration)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff will supervise hand hygiene on entrance for Main School. Sixth Form students will be expected to sanitise or wash hands on arrival to school. • Clear signs will be placed around the site to remind students about hygiene and social distancing.
<p>Social Distancing - In the Classroom:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classrooms will be set up so they are forward facing and students sit shoulder to shoulder. • Students in Science labs will position their chairs to also allow this. • All equipment should be their own. • Teachers will move to year group zones to teach students and will teach from the front of the class 2m away from the students where possible. • Practical areas (Music, PE, DT, Food, Dance, Drama, Art) will develop their own systems in their areas in line with Government guidance. • There will be no school trips or use of the school mini bus in the short term. 	<p>Movement around school:</p> <p>When moving around the school students will be asked to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow staff instructions and leave the room when told to do so. • Adhere to the PRAISE Code and do what a staff member asks first time, every time • Wash/sanitise hands when instructed. • Follow social distancing rules. • Staff will guide students to their way out at break time, lunch time and at the end of the school day. • Sixth Form students should only be in for lessons. If they do need to stay on site the areas they should be in are the Common Room, LRC or break out area.
<p>Use of toilets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will be allowed to use the toilets when necessary but must observe social distancing. • Students will not be expected to take their planners to the toilets. • Students will wash hands before and after using the toilet. • Toilets will be cleaned throughout the day. • Hand dryers will be taken out of use. Paper towels will be provided instead. • Y9 will have a slightly longer break to reduce toilet congestion. • Sixth Form should use the toilets by the Sixth Form Reception or those directly up from those on the second floor. 	<p>Using outside areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year group zoned areas will operate both inside and outside-students found outside their zone at break and lunchtime will be sanctioned in line with the PRAISE Code. This is a non-negotiable and designed to keep everyone safe. • Students will wash hands before eating. • Students will be expected to follow social distancing rules. • Mobile phones are not permitted to be used inside the building as usual and their use outside is strongly discouraged at present, due to increased risk of passing on infection.

<p>Equipment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equipment will not be shared. • In the event of having to borrow equipment this will not be returned to school. • Hand gel is available in every classroom. 	<p>Uniform:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High standards of uniform will continue exactly like they were prior to Lockdown. Uniform should be cleaned regularly. • Any student who does not wear the correct uniform will be placed in isolation. • The usual rules around uniform, jewellery and make up still apply. • As usual, all Sixth Form students must have an ID badge to access site. • Those students who have a Core PE lesson in the day will be allowed to wear their PE kit to school to minimise changing room usage-this must be the exact school PE kit or sanctions will apply. 																								
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<p>First Aid:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will have a dedicated first aider for possible coronavirus cases, and other first aiders for other possible illnesses or accidents. They will be stationed in separate 	<p>Additional support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We recognise that this has been a difficult time for students and parents and that some may have suffered personal loss. 																								

<p>rooms in the school.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First aid staff will wear PPE. • If students feel unwell, they need to let a member of staff know. • The teacher will follow the appropriate protocol to isolate the student in order to reduce risk to others. • Students falling ill during the school day will need to be collected immediately. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We also recognise that the mental health of students has been seriously affected by the pandemic. • All staff will be on hand to support students and signpost/refer them to specialist support should they require it. • If your child feels worried or has any questions, he or she should tell a teacher and we will help.
<p>Behaviour expectations: The usual high expectations that the PRAISE Code brings remain. A few reminders:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mobile phones should be switched off /silent and out of sight inside the building. • Students should do as asked by staff first time, every time. • Be respectful of each other and all staff. • Staff decisions are final. • The Praise Code will operate in a slightly modified form, to enable adherence to social distancing-students will be taken through any changes on their first day in school. • Detention and isolation will run. • Any student repeatedly not adhering to social distancing measures/safety or hygiene measures will be deemed a risk to all staff and students and will face serious sanctions including exclusion. 	<p>Attendance, illness, punctuality:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If students have any of the following symptoms they must stay at home and inform school: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature) ➢ new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual) ➢ loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you’ve noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal • If a student develops these symptoms we will follow protocol by isolating them in a ventilated room and supervising them until they can be collected. • Any student displaying these symptoms must self-isolate for 10 days and arrange a test (https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-getting-tested) Other members of the household should self-isolate for 14 days from the day the first person in the household became symptomatic. • All parents must read the advice and links before September: <p>https://www.gov.uk/guidance/nhs-test-and-trace-how-it-works#people-who-develop</p>

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Visitors to School ^{F11} _{SEP} School will be closed to all external visitors, other than the emergency services and social workers. Parents cannot enter the school building except in emergencies and in a prearranged way. If you need to speak to a member of staff, please telephone or email school.	