

26 March 2020



Dear Parent/Carer,

RE: Academy Closure - Childcare Provision and Free School Meals

The Government have announced strict new rules to tackle the spread of the coronavirus. Families are being asked to leave home only to exercise once a day, travel to and from work where 'absolutely necessary', shop for essential items and to fulfil any medical or care needs.

To ensure that we are fulfilling the Government's requirements to provide childcare to everyone who is eligible and free school meals, while balancing the need to ensure we are not asking our staff to take unnecessary risks, we are changing our approach from Monday 30 March 2020.

Childcare Provision

From Monday 30th March Oasis Academy MediaCityUK will be closed, and our provision clustered within the local authority. Childcare provision for those who are eligible will be provided at a local school, and this will be decided by the local authority. We will share the names and contact details of those who have used the provision so far to the local authority who will be able to support parents/carers if provision should be required. Please contact Salford City Council on 0161 793 2500 if you have any questions about these new arrangements.

Please remember that children staying at home is the best option, wherever possible.

Free School Meals

The government have promised further updates on arrangements for free school meals, and a national scheme is being established. Therefore, the details below are subject to change, and we will keep you updated if they do:

- We will be moving to a voucher system from Monday 30th March through the assistance of the Local Authority. Vouchers can be used in Aldi supermarkets and will be posted weekly.

Safeguarding

Just a reminder that if there are any safeguarding issues whilst schools are closed, please contact the safeguarding team using this email address: CP1@oasismediacityuk.org. Alternatively you can use the following phone number to leave a message: 07955752486. A member of the safeguarding team will aim to respond to this as soon as possible.

Updates

Further communication regarding online learning will be sent in the coming days so please ensure you read all communication from the academy.

Thank you for your continued understanding during this challenging time, and your support of our staff who are going above and beyond to ensure we are able to provide childcare to key workers and free school meals to those who are eligible.



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We will of course keep you updated on any developments by text/email/letter and please also check the academy website for the latest updates. If parents/carers have any concerns they need to raise please note the following main office number is available to leave a message and this will be monitored daily: **0161 886 6500**.

Yours sincerely,

Marie Dillon
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