



## Establishing a 'new normal'...



## A big 'welcome back' to all of our pupils!

First of all, it is great to see each and every one of our pupils back in school and ready for the new term ahead. We hope that you are now settled into your new classroom routine and enjoying being back in school.

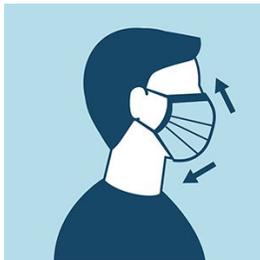
Some pupils have found the return back to school easier than others, please do not worry, the staff team are here to work with you and support your needs. We understand that this is a difficult and worrying time for everyone-the priority is that all of our pupils attend on a daily basis so that we can help you in your return!

# Tutor support



Your child's tutor will be in regular contact with you to check that your child feels well supported. In feeding back on your child's progress, your tutor will discuss your child's achievements and areas for development. Please use this as an opportunity to share relevant information with the school so that we can support you and your child accordingly.

# Face masks



Following recent government guidance, now more than ever, it is important that your child understands the need to wear a face mask in communal areas in school and on public transport (buses and taxis). We expect that all pupils arrive at the academy wearing their own face mask, we will then provide a fresh face mask to be worn in the academy, which stays with us and is washed daily.

**Failure to meet this expectation will be considered to be a breach of health and safety protocols.**

# Health and safety expectations

Please accept this note as a polite reminder re: health and safety expectations in the school:

- pupils are expected to maintain social distancing expectations where possible (2m +).
- all pupils must follow staff instructions to keep themselves safe at all times.
- pupils are expected to arrive at school in clean uniform and in a clean, presentable manner.
- It is recommended that pupils bring a bottle of water to school each day, which can be labelled to avoid drinks getting mixed up.
- please continue to monitor your child's health and wellbeing; if you have any concerns, please do not hesitate in contacting a member of the team.

# Home Learning



All pupils have access to their own Google account which provides access to their school email address and our online learning platform, 'Google Classroom'. Moving forward, this learning platform will be used more frequently by the school, to support pupils who are unable to attend school (in the event that home based learning is required) or those that would like access to additional homework tasks.

**If your child is unsure of their username or password-please let your child's tutor know.**

Not everybody has access to the internet or has a computer; if this is the case, additional work can be sent to you at home (as required).

Again, please let your tutor know so that this can be organised for you.

# Enrichment

Last Friday saw the launch of our exciting, new enrichment programme-this is new to our curriculum offer and is aimed at promoting new and different ways of learning and providing pupils the opportunity to learn in alternative environments. From Mappleton Beach, to fishing, to creative and cookery projects...a great time was had by all!



# Useful Services:

The following websites/contact details may provide useful support or advice for young people:

Useful Services	
<p><b>NHS</b></p> <p>If you require further information re: Coronavirus symptoms or testing, please seek advice from the NHS website/your own GP.</p> <p><a href="https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/">https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/</a></p>	
<p><b>Thrive</b></p> <p>Thrive is a new game based app which may help you to manage situations, which impact upon your mental health and wellbeing.</p> <p><a href="https://www.nhs.uk/apps-library/thrive/">https://www.nhs.uk/apps-library/thrive/</a></p>	
<p><b>Young Minds</b></p> <p>A website which offers tips/advice for young people in managing your mental health.</p> <p><a href="https://youngminds.org.uk/">https://youngminds.org.uk/</a></p>	

## A closing comment...

Whilst concerns continue regarding Coronavirus and the prospect of a 'second wave,' please rest assured that as a school, we are doing our utmost to safely manage the return back to school and support all pupils to establish a new learning routine. The **health, safety and well being** of all Compass family members will always be our main priority.

*The Compass Academy team x x x*