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**THE
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ACADEMY**

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Dear Parents/ Carers

Academy Opening Hours:

Students, who have been identified by the academy or are children of government advised key workers will be able to access the academy from 8.30am – 3.15pm on Monday. The school day will be from 8.45am – 3.00pm for students, until further notice. Full school uniform is expected.

The academy will be closed to all other students.

Children of key Workers:

Key workers are parents whose work is critical to the COVID-19 response include those who work in health and social care and in other key sectors as outlined in the link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision>

If you are a key worker and you would like your child to attend the academy from next week, please complete this link asap: <https://www.brightonacademiestrust.org.uk/key-worker-declaration>

Academy Meals Service:

We are committed to providing a school meals service for as many of our students as possible. We are working closely with our contracted catering provider and as such have agreed the following:

Breakfast

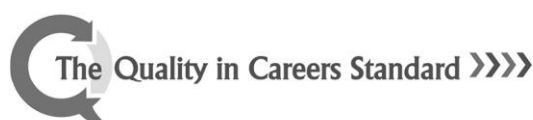
Free bagels and toppings will be available to all students during tutor time.

Break and Lunch:

Food will be available during normal break and lunch times for all students who are attending the academy.

The menu will be more limited than usual but there will still be a range of healthy options that will take account of individual dietary requirements.

Payment will be via the cashless catering/Parentpay payment method



Free School Meals:

Meals will be available for all students attending the academy who are in receipt of free school meals. This includes those attending the academy and also those who are not in attendance. For those students who are in receipt of free school meals but are not attending the academy free lunches (sandwiches, wraps etc) can be collected from the reception area at the academy between 12.30 and 1.30 each day.

Unfortunately we are unable to provide lunches to those students who are not in receipt of free school meals and are not attending the academy.

We understand that the Department for Education is considering a national voucher scheme and this will be communicated as and when we receive further information.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding. Keep well.

Yours sincerely



Hilary Morawska
Principal

