

Tame Valley Academy

Friday 27th
November 2020



Newsletter



COVID: TIER 3

As you will have seen on the news yesterday, from 2nd December, Birmingham will be entering into Tier 3. Please see below for a clear poster detailing what this will look like for us. Let's make sure we are all working together to follow the rules and keep ourselves and our community safe.

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LOCAL COVID ALERT LEVEL

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Social Contact 1 household / bubble in most locations, indoors and outdoors. Rule of six applies in some outdoors settings like parks, public gardens and sports courts.	Weddings and Funerals Up to 15 guests for weddings and up to 30 guests for funerals. 15 for wakes and related ceremonies. Wedding receptions not permitted.	Overnight Stays Those in area advised against overnight stays in other parts of UK. People outside area advised against overnight stays in area.	Working from home guidance Work from home where possible.
Shopping and Retail Open.	Leisure and gyms Any closures or additional restrictions subject to consultation.	Hospitality Pubs and bars must close except where they operate as a restaurant, meaning they can only serve alcohol with a substantial meal. Further closures subject to consultation.	Entertainment and tourist attractions Any closures / additional restrictions subject to consultation. Nightclubs and adult entertainment remain closed.
Education Schools, FE colleges open. Universities must reflect wider restrictions with option to move to greater online provision.	Healthcare Services Open.	Residential Care Closed to external visitors other than in exceptional circumstances.	Travel and Transport May continue to travel to open venues, but reduce number of journeys where possible. Avoid travel where possible in or out of the affected area with exceptions including work and school.
Sporting Activity Organised sport / licensed physical activity allowed in outdoor settings. Indoor organised sport must follow social contact rules (other than youth or disabled sport).	Worship Open, subject to social contact rules.	Childcare Registered and wraparound childcare. Supervised activities permitted in private homes. Children's groups permitted. Childcare bubbles for under 14s.	Youth Clubs and Activities Permitted.

There are three simple actions we must all do to keep on protecting each other:

- Wash hands** keep washing your hands regularly
- Cover face** wear a face covering in enclosed spaces
- Make space** stay at least 2 metres apart - or 1 metre with a face covering or other precautions

For more information and detailed guidance visit:
[gov.uk/coronavirus](https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus)

Christmas Diary Dates

As you will be aware, due to Covid restrictions, we are not able to celebrate Christmas in school in the way that we would want to this year. This includes not being able to have parents in school to celebrate with us. However, we have put together a timetable of events that mean we are able to make the end of term as special as possible, while also adhering to all our risk assessments and keeping our bubbles secure.

Friday 11th December:

- Christmas Jumper Day—children can come to school in non-uniform and wearing a Christmas jumper / top. They do not need to make a financial donation for this—it is just a bit of fun.
- Children will be making Christmas videos in class, which we will then be able to share with parents.
- Christmas craft day—Children will spend the day making Christmas cards, etc. These items will then be quarantined before being sent home the following week.

Wednesday 16th December:

- Good to be Green parties will take place in bubbles for all children who have remained “on Green” all term.

Thursday 17th December:

- The children’s Christmas videos will be shared via Class Dojo. Please make sure you are signed up for this to be able to access your child’s video.

Friday 18th December:

- Children’s Christmas parties—no food items to be brought in this year please. This is all being provided by school. Children may come to school in non-uniform on this day. We are also expecting a virtual visit from Santa!
- End of term.

Christmas Food Bank

We are very aware that, this year more than ever, lots of families are struggling financially. We are setting up some Christmas food hampers, which we would like to donate to families in need.

Any food items that people would like to contribute towards these would be very gratefully received. Please send them in to school with your child. All items will, of course, be quarantined before being given out to families.

If any families feel they would benefit from receiving a Christmas food parcel, please email the school, communicate with your class teacher via Class Dojo or speak to a member of staff before or after school.

