

04 September 2020

Dear Learner, Parent and Carers

Today we welcomed our new cohort of Year 9s into the college and despite naturally having some anxieties regarding their first day in a new setting, they appear to have settled in really well. Our staff have been tirelessly ensuring the site is COVID-19 ready and we are looking forward to welcoming our remaining learners on Monday and Tuesday next week.

We have taken the opportunity to consult further with our staff with regards to the wider opening of the college and would like to inform you of a few amendments to our original opening plans which we hope will support our learners.

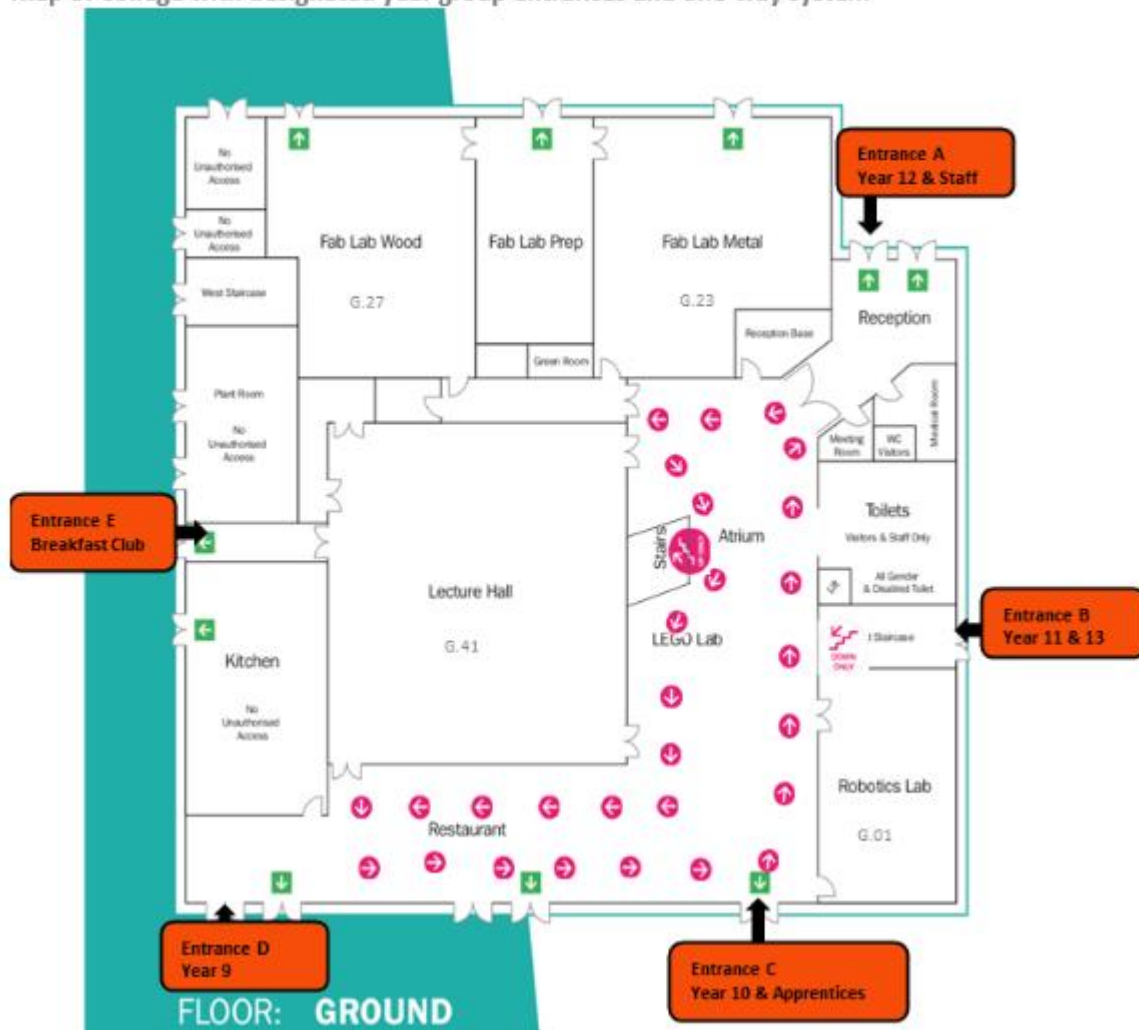
#### Timings of the college day

Year 9					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
08:00-08:50	Breakfast club - arrive 8am using entrance E				
08:40 - 09:00	<b>Registration - arrive 08:35 via entrance D</b>				
09:00-09:50	Lesson 1	Lesson 1	Lesson 1	Lesson 1	Lesson 1
09:50 - 10:40	Lesson 2	Lesson 2	Lesson 2	Lesson 2	Lesson 2
10:40-11:30	Lesson 3	Lesson 3	Lesson 3	Lesson 3	Lesson 3
11:30 - 11:50	<b>Break - second floor</b>				
11:50-12:40	Lesson 4	Lesson 4	Lesson 4	Lesson 4	Lesson 4
12:40-13:30	Lesson 5	Lesson 5	Lesson 5	Lesson 5	End of day for learners. Staff training
13:30-13:50	<b>Lunch - Restaurant</b>				
13:50-14:30	Lesson 6	Fitness 13:50 - 15:00	Lesson 6	Lesson 6	
14:30	<b>Leave 14:30 via entrance D</b>		<b>Leave 14:30 via entrance D</b>		
14:50-17:00	Societies (Optional)	Staff training	Societies (Optional)	Societies (Optional)	

Please note that the timings of the college day have been amended slightly for most learners.

The entrances for the different year groups are marked below.

Map of College with designated year group entrances and one-way system



### Fitness – Tuesday afternoons

The SportsDock at UEL has only recently reopened and we have been informed that they can only facilitate a certain number of learners at a time. Therefore Year 9s and 10s will have sports on a rota basis with Year 9 using the SportsDock first on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September. The following week therefore Year 9s will be leaving the college at 1.50pm. A reminder that learners must wear their sportswear on the Tuesdays they have Fitness as there are no changing facilities here at LDE UTC nor at the SportsDock. Please note that there is **no** Fitness on **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September** and therefore Year 9 learners will be leaving the college site at 1.50pm.

## **Chaplaincy / Prayers**

Unfortunately our Chaplaincy is currently closed until the end of September and we will be unable to facilitate prayers at this time. Similarly we will be unable to run Friday prayers until further notice. Learners who used the Chaplaincy for counselling sessions will need to speak with their Head of Year who will liaise with Gloria to organise something on a temporary basis.

## **Face coverings**

Following consultation with our staff and concerns raised by some parents / carers, the wearing of face coverings will be optional for all learners and staff. This is also further to government guidance which only makes face coverings mandatory in schools/colleges in lockdown areas. Should this change we will of course inform all our parents/carers and learners accordingly. A reminder however that face coverings are mandatory on all public transport and learners are encouraged to follow the rules.

We are all looking forward to working with our young people again and wish you all a good weekend.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Geoffrey Fowler".

**Geoffrey Fowler**  
**Principal & CEO, LDE UTC**