



Re: Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update – National Lockdown #3 – Stay at Home

Dear Parents,

Firstly, we wish you all a very Happy New Year and hope everyone had a good Christmas. Sadly, but perhaps predictably, the New Year also brings renewed restrictions relating to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) situation.

Unfortunately, with the third national lockdown coming into immediate effect and becoming law on Wednesday 6th January 2020 we are once again having to cease our usual ArtShed activities. We know this will be as frustrating and disappointing for everyone as it is for us.

We have set out below what this means specifically for our activities and we expect this to be the case until at least the February half-term break:

1. After-school Classes

These are now cancelled until further notice. We will hold the payments made for bookings as credit until it becomes clear how many classes can run and whether we can squeeze in any extra sessions. Once we know this, we will of course refund any classes that have not been able to run. *Please also see 5) below for how to use credit to pay for ArtShed Takeaway products.

2. Adult Art Classes

As with our after-school classes we will not be running our adult art classes until the restrictions are lifted and we believe it is safe to do so.

3. Parties

Our parties will not be running during the current restrictions. This means that:

- Existing bookings will have the option to reschedule to another later date or receive a full refund of the booking deposit paid.
- Parties can still be booked but we won't be taking any bookings for parties to run before 1st March 2020. This of course is subject to review and dependent on the current restrictions being lifted by then.

4. Holiday Camps

Our next holiday camps are planned for Feb half-term 2021 in both St Albans and Harpenden. We are still hopeful that these will be able to run with our Covid-secure measures in place, but this is looking less likely with the current state of affairs.

5. ArtShed Takeaway

Developed during the first lockdown, we are now working on more of our **ArtShed Takeaway Projects** and aim to have each of the activities planned for the Feb Half-term Camps available as Takeaway Projects. These video tutorial projects are designed to be done at home with minimal supervision over a whole day. We have also developed Material Packs to go with each tutorial with everything needed to complete the project – paint, paper/canvas, brushes and pens. For more information about ArtShed Takeaway please go to

www.shedloadsoffun.com/welcome

*If you would like to use the credit from cancelled ArtShed activities to buy our Takeaway Projects please email admin@shedloadsoffun.com and we can issue you with a coupon code.

Again, we thank you for your patience and support – we're hanging in there and hopefully there is light at the end of the tunnel. We will of course update when the situation changes again.

ArtShed

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