Fitzwilliam College Services – status summary – Easter 2021

This document provides a summary of key operational services for the Easter vacation and Easter term.

From 29 March, groups of six, or two households, can meet outside: physical-distancing measures still apply. The garden furniture is now available around College.

It is anticipated that from the start of Easter Term (17 April) the College will be able to return to a full residential educational environment. In these circumstances, we will operate much like in Michaelmas Term, with COVID-secure arrangements: strict personal hygiene, face masks, physical-distancing measures (‘hands, face, space’), ventilation/outdoor arrangements, full risk assessment of activities. These restrictions, coupled with strong participation in the asymptomatic testing regime throughout the term will allow us to achieve the greatest range of activities.

The above will be confirmed once the government has provided further guidance on when students are permitted to return to university study. This is anticipated in the early part of April.

The range of College Services currently available is as follows:

Porters’ Lodge
Easter Vacation - Open for parcel and mail collection from 9.30am – 11am and 3pm – 4.30pm daily and 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for assistance and emergencies.
Easter Term (from Monday 12 April) – Open daily and 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for assistance and emergencies.

Tutorial and Finance Office
Tutorial and Finance Offices are continuing to operate normally with all enquires being dealt with via email or in person in College. Please note that Tutorial are working remotely.

Catering
The Buttery and the Coffee Shop will be closed for Easter weekend - Friday 2 April – Monday 5 April inclusive.

The Buttery
Until Sunday 11 April - will open for Dinner from 5.30 – 7pm every day.
From Monday 12 April – open for Lunch 12pm – 1.30pm and Dinner 6pm – 7pm.
Seating in the dining hall is available on a physically distanced basis

The Coffee Shop
Until Sunday 11 April will open from 8am – 3pm, Monday – Saturday and 9am – 3pm on Sunday for takeaway service only.
From Monday 12 April – Monday – Saturday and 8am – 6pm on Sunday 9am – 6pm for takeaway service only.
Entrance is from the Library side of the Central Building and there is a one-way route through the Coffee Shop; the exit is out towards the Chapel.

The Bar
The Bar will remain closed. Current Government Guidance does not permit the bar to be open until at least 17 May, as part of ‘Step 3’ out of lockdown. The Bar opening will be reviewed as and when Government Guidance confirms the date for Step 3.

Housekeeping:
Easter Vacation – Cleaning of communal spaces in College will continue, but not in student occupied areas/houses or bedrooms, unless requested by contacting the Housekeeping Manager - housekeeping.manager@fitz.cam.ac.uk – Additionally, the Housekeepers will be carrying out a ‘spring clean’ of all communal areas within your Household. The Housekeeping Manager will contact each Household with further information.
Easter Term – The Housekeepers will clean the communal areas of all Households once per week – this means areas such as the kitchens, communal bathrooms/toilets and corridors; not your bedrooms unless requested by contacting the Housekeeping Manager - housekeeping.manager@fitz.cam.ac.uk
Rubbish collection will continue on the College site. Cleaning materials are available for use and you should still clean shared facilities after each use.

Maintenance:
Full service from Maintenance department is available. Please log any requirements in the usual way, via a help-desk ticket on MyFitz.

IT support:
Please log any requirements in the usual way, via a help-desk ticket on MyFitz.

The social and community spaces in the College are open for use, in accordance with current Government Lockdown guidance: [https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-response-spring-2021/covid-19-response-spring-2021-summary]

The following areas of the College are currently affected by restrictions:

Library
The Library is open as a study space only, from 8.00am – 2.00am. Please ensure that the Social Distancing Guidelines are observed, especially the wearing of Face Masks.

Chapel
The Chapel is open for Services, individual quiet reflection and for prayer.
JCR/MCR
The JCR is open for study only: the room must be used on an individual or single Household basis only. The MCR is open for study only: the rooms must be used on an individual or single Household basis. There must be no mixing of Households within the rooms of the MCR.

Gym
The Gym will re-open on Monday 12 April, in line with National Guidance. Access will be restricted to individual users or individual Households.

Sportsground
The Sportsground is open for Members of Fitzwilliam College, Fitz Clubs and Societies, only, to use for recreational exercise in accordance with the Government guidelines. From Monday 29 March, outdoor sports facilities will also be allowed to reopen, and people will be able to take part in formally organised outdoor sports. Outdoor gatherings (including in private gardens) of either 6 people (the Rule of 6) or 2 households will also be allowed. Organised Sport is permitted within the guidance of each individual sport’s guidelines. The Tennis courts are open.

For further information see:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1jnY850qU_uJ54iUMhV6KtqGiAdNOyN0TOQccy6rGmJ0/edit?usp=sharing or contact Martha Bowsher sportsandsocieties@cam.ac.uk

Meeting/study rooms in College:
The Reddaway and Music rooms in the Central Building will be available as study space, from 7am – 12am, daily. Additional study rooms such as the Wilson Court and Walker Rooms may be available, where possible, for use on a single-person or single-Household basis only, up to the maximum published numbers. Please ensure that you sanitise the rooms before and after your use.

Music Practice Rooms:
Open for use on a single or single Household use only.

If you have any queries or concerns, please call or email:
- Porters’ Lodge: 01223 332 000 porters@fitz.cam.ac.uk
- Housekeeping Team: housekeeping.office@fitz.cam.ac.uk
- Tutorial Office: tutorial.office@fitz.cam.ac.uk
- College Nurse: nurse@fitz.cam.ac.uk