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Dear Parent/Carer

Planned return of Year 10 students to school for the week beginning 8th June

As you will be aware, we plan to bring Year 10 students back into school from Monday 8th June. This will be a gradual reintegration, with students being in school for one day a week for the first fortnight from this date. Students will continue with their online learning on the other days. We will review this after the two-week period and communicate any changes moving forward. We must stress that although plans are being put in place, these may be subject to change as new guidance is issued and new information comes to our attention.

We wish to reassure you that in all our planning for this return, the health, safety and wellbeing of students is at the centre of our thinking. The most up-to-date advice from The Government, Public Health England and the Local Authority is always followed. Detailed risk assessments will be in place and we will adhere strictly to guidance related to personal hygiene and social distancing.

How will students be organised in school?

The year group have been split up into equal thirds by surname, with each third attending as outlined below:

- surnames from Allder to Greaney will attend on Mondays
- surnames from Greatorex to Palmer will attend on Wednesdays
- surnames from Pankhania to Wright will attend on Fridays

Unfortunately, we will not be able to change days for students to attend, as this will make matters too complicated in terms of class sizes to maintain social distancing and staffing ratios.

On each day, student numbers will be broken down into seven smaller groups of seven or eight students. One teacher will be with this group for the whole duration of the time they are in school and it will be the same teacher on each occasion. Classrooms used will be spread out widely across the school, with students being required to use different entrances to access the site. Each group will have their own zoned outside area and designated toilet facilities. In this way we will create 'social bubbles' of small groups that do not mix with each other. Seating in classrooms will be organised to maintain social distancing and movement of students will be carefully controlled.

Student groups will be in school for 3 hours with regular outside breaks. To prevent students congregating at the start and end of the day, and to allow for varied breaks, times for groups will be staggered with sessions being 8:30am to 11:30pm, 8:45am to 11:45pm and 9:00am to 12:00pm. These timings will allow students to ease back into the routine of

being in school, whilst also allowing for extensive cleaning of classrooms at the end of each day. Additionally, the early finish means that we will not be serving food, thus reducing risk for students and staff. Students will need to bring drinks and snacks with them and these can be consumed during breaks.

The model of learning we will follow in class will focus upon 'quizzing'. This will involve students having to retrieve information from memory and apply it to answering a range of questions, following which students will check and amend work, using feedback from the teacher. This will help improve students' long-term memory of knowledge that has previously been taught in Year 10, something that will prove very valuable when new learning commences in Year 11. All work will be paper based and students must ensure that they bring a pen and pencil with them.

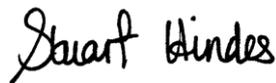
As usual, we will expect the highest standards of behaviour and cooperation from all students. If, unfortunately, a student is disruptive of learning, or deliberately puts others a risk then, in the present circumstances, they will be sent home.

We will send your child/yourself an individual email next week giving more details of start and finish times, assigned classroom and school entrance to be used.

As normal, whilst Year 10 groups are in school, we will continue to be open for children of key workers on a daily basis. These students will be in separate classrooms to Year 10 students. Unfortunately, in the interests of safety, we will not be able to accommodate siblings of students in Year 10 where parents are not key workers.

Thank you for your continued support. Please contact us if you have any questions.

Yours Sincerely



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