Wednesday 3rd June 2020

Dear Parents,

**Year 10 return to school update**

I wanted to update you on the latest guidance we have received from the Department for Education regarding secondary schools partially re-opening for scholars in Years 10 and how we plan for this. We will be sending a more comprehensive letter on the Monday 8th June with more details, but I wanted to update you in the meantime.

The Government has confirmed that the earliest date that schools can begin to provide some face to face teaching for year 10 **has been changed to Monday 15th June 2020.**

Government guidance says that schools can have a maximum of 25 per cent of a year group in school at any one time, with no more than 15 scholars in a classroom, sitting two metres apart from each other. This means each year 10 scholar will get to come in once a week.

We want as many scholars as possible to have the opportunity to have face to face learning with their teachers. However, the safety, health and wellbeing of everyone in the school is of course our highest priority and our plans will be based around the restrictions on the numbers who can attend school and can be in classes together. As with all secondary schools, our remote learning provision will continue to be the main form of education that scholars receive.

All re-opening plans are conditional on infection rates decreasing and the Government continuing to support schools reopening.

If your child is already attending our Community Classrooms for key worker and vulnerable children, we encourage them to continue to attend regardless of which year group they are in.

If your child has specific health vulnerabilities they should not come to school. Further details are available [here](#). This includes if they are showing any of the three key symptoms (new and continuous cough, high temperature or a loss of or change in normal taste or smell).
All scholars coming on site will be expected to come with all their own stationary, full uniform, a bag and a filled water bottle.

The Year 10 pastoral team will be contacting all families over the next week to confirm the day your child is expected to attend school and talk through any questions you may have.

I will write to you again on Monday 8th June when I hope to be able to share our specific plans with you. In the meantime, please continue to encourage your child with their home learning.

Yours faithfully

Ms L Frame
Principal