



5 June 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian,

I trust you and your family had a good break over half term. I am writing with a few updates.

Wider reopening to Year 10

Before half term I promised year 10 parents' further information about our plans for wider re-opening of the school to the year group. Following government guidance and our robust risk assessment and mitigation work, our plans are almost in place and I will be in a position early next week to share with you more details of our approach. We envisage that year 10 will be invited back into school for some form of face to face contact with teachers in the week commencing the 15 June (as per government guidelines). I will write specifically to year 10 families with our plan as soon as possible.

Professional development day- change of date to Friday 3 July

In our original school calendar, our summer staff development day was scheduled for Thursday 2 July. In order to facilitate our wider re-opening plans for year 10, we will be moving the staff development day to Friday 3 July. School will be closed on this day and no-online learning will be set. Staff will spend the day in training and development activities with a particular focus on the new academic year. Please note that the Special Provision school will also be closed on this day to enable staff to participate fully in the development day.

Special provision school

We have been very pleased with the operation of our special provision school for children of key workers and for other identified students. Numbers have increased since our offer before half term and I have been delighted with the way that the students have adopted our more stringent social distancing and safety measures. We continue to offer a mix of google classroom based activities with a wider range of interesting and stimulating sessions to enrich their time at school.

The situation regarding the pandemic and the lockdown continues to evolve and as a school we continue to adjust and adapt our support to students. Our hardworking staff are providing strong learning support through Google classroom and I am pleased that we have been able to assist a large number of families to improve their access to our online provision. Please do get in touch if you have questions or concerns and we will endeavour to assist you in any way we can. Thank you for your continued support of the school.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr A Johnson Headteacher