

Monday 22nd June 2020

Dear Parents & Carers,

As promised last week, I am now writing to you to outline plans for the final four weeks of term.

From Monday 29th June, we would like to get as many Year 10 students back in to school as possible. We will do this through two means:

- Tutor group sessions
- 'Invite only' sessions

Tutor group sessions:

These will involve your child coming in to school with members of their tutor group. They will then get opportunity to work in a computer room with a teacher and complete work with any support they require. The purpose of this session is to check in with each student on where they are at with work, but also to allow students to reduce any anxieties they have with returning to school in a smaller group setting and allow them to spend time with peers.

The sessions will run from 9am until 11:30am and then 12:30 until 3pm. This gap in time will allow for the rooms to be thoroughly cleaned before the next group of students arrive. Students will need to arrive on time for their session and should line up outside of the gym. On entry to the gym, the students will be provided with sanitizer and will then make their way to the classroom that they have been allocated. Once the session has ended, they will be escorted back through the gym and will be able to leave. They can attend in non-school uniform and should bring a drink and a snack.

'Invite only' sessions:

These will involve your child being invited in to school by their class teacher for a small group session. This may be a coursework catch up, extension work or content catch up. If your child has been invited to one of these sessions, they will need to arrive on time and line up outside reception. The class teacher will then collect them for the session. On entry to reception, the students will be provided with sanitizer and will then make their way to the classroom that they have been allocated. Once the session has ended, they will be escorted back through the gym and will be able to leave. They can attend in non-school uniform and should bring a drink and a snack.

Questions:

How will my child know when they should be in?

Your child will receive an email with their times on for both types of sessions. You will also receive a letter posted to your home address with the appointment slots on.

I am worried about my child attending as we are shielding/clinically vulnerable/anxious?

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We want to assure you that we are making the school environment as safe as we possibly can. We would love to see all of the children return, but we also understand that you may not wish to send your child in. If you find yourself in the position whereby you do not wish your child to attend for any of the reasons above, please complete the survey link so that we can make preparations for the number of students we expect to return. You only need to complete the link, if you **do not** intend to send your child back to school.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=LuLr9FO180SIVj4NhJCOuJ3I5BxLxw5AjCKkTPyHePBUNEpBRkYyWFdPUkpGVDM0WDRGSDBHWUxHOC4u

When will my child return to school full-time?

We are really hoping to have all of the children back in full-time by the start of September. However, we are still waiting on guidance from the Government regarding the procedures surrounding social distancing for the new academic year.

If you have any concerns or questions, please contact the school through our website or by phone/email.

Yours sincerely,

Emma Howard Head of School

