

19th June 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope that you are all keeping well.

It has been so lovely to see so many Year 10 students in school for their one-to-one appointments. I will be writing to Year 10 parents separately on Tuesday 23rd June with additional information regarding return to school from Monday 29th June. All subject appointment times for the week commencing 22nd June have been sent via email to all Year 10 students.

I received some exciting news from the DfE this week to indicate that we may be able to have a face-to-face session with Year 7, Year 8 and Year 9 before the end of term. We are currently looking in to plans of how we could facilitate this and will get in touch with parents next week with our proposals.

We are excited to host a series of 'live' events next week for Year 7 to Year 10. This will provide them with the opportunity to join a Teams meeting online with their peers, myself and their Head of Year. All they need to do is click 'accept' on the calendar invite that has been sent to their email address and then 'join' the meeting on the day. If all students can mute their microphones, it will avoid feedback and they will be able to ask questions in the 'chat' function.

Times/days are as follows for the 'live' events:

Year 7 – Thursday 25th June at 1pm – 1:45pm
Year 8 – Wednesday 24th June at 2pm – 2:45pm
Year 9 – Monday 22nd June at 12pm – 12:45pm
Year 10 – Monday 22nd June at 11am – 11:45am

Setting of work – Y7 to Y10

Work will continue to be set on TEAMS for all students.

As before, if you have any concerns regarding the work which is being set for your child, please contact your child's Head of Year on the email addresses below:

Miss Hemm – lhemm@nusa.org.uk
Miss Malhi – gmalhi@nusa.org.uk
Miss Strawson – lstrawson@nusa.org.uk
Mr James – ljames@nusa.org.uk

If you require paper based copies of work, this will now be available for collection **every Monday between the hours of 10 and 11 am.**

Key worker and vulnerable students

We will continue to offer provision for children of Key Workers and vulnerable students. This provision is limited in number due to current staffing levels and as a result, if we see an increase in demand for this provision, we may have to make amendments to timings/days. Our current provision runs from 9am until 2pm each day. During this time, a teacher supervises whilst each student works independently on the work that has been set for them on TEAMS. Bookings for the week commencing 15th June and 22nd June are now closed. Bookings for the week commencing 13th July will open next week.

Free School Meals

Free school meal vouchers look set to continue and until we hear further announcements from the Government, we will continue to send vouchers as we are doing at present. If you have already registered, there is no need to register again. If you have not, you will need to register via our school website – www.nusa.org.uk

MyChildAtSchool app (MCAS)

A letter was sent out two weeks ago to explain that school is now using an app called "My Child at School" (MCAS) to aid communication with parents. You should have received a text message with your invitation code and your sign up details. If you have not received this then you will need to email contact@nusa.org.uk to ensure we have your most up to date contact information and phone number. To find out more about the change, please follow this link for sign up instructions https://www.nusa.org.uk/data/letters/files/MCAS_Sign_Up.pdf. This is going to form an integral part of school life and we will require all parents to sign up, so the sooner you do the better.

We really miss all of your children and look forward to welcoming them back as soon as we can.

Yours Sincerely,

Emma Howard
Head of School