Important Update for Parents on School Reopening

1st June 2020

Dear Parent / Carer

As promised we are following up on the letter sent to you on 22nd May 2020. We want to thank you again for your patience and support during this very difficult time. The government has requested all secondary schools provide some face to face contact with pupils in Years 10 and 12 as these are the groups who will have the most pressing concerns about taking their examinations in 2021. As with other schools, locally and nationally, we are planning some form of educational provision from week beginning 15th June 2020 for Years 10 and 12.

The details for Year 10 are as follows:

- Please be assured that the safety of your child is our number one priority. We have undertaken a detailed risk assessment covering a wide range of issues.
- The school hall has been space planned to accommodate 30 pupils at a time in Year 10.
- In the first instance pupils will attend for one day per week to comply with government guidelines of maximum of 25% on site
- In the first week this will be the only space we will use to ensure we can closely manage social distancing. It maybe we can start to use more rooms in the second week
- This space has been deep cleaned, including all tables and chairs
- The toilets and any other social areas have also been deep cleaned.
- Pupils will access the hall through one entrance and leave by another
- Hand sanitiser will be available and pupils will be required to use it when entering the building and at regular times during the morning
- During the first week the general timings of school will be 9.30am – 12.30pm as we believe this will reduce problems on public transport
- The pupils will be given lessons in 3 subjects with home learning set and further work to be undertaken
- Parents are able to drop off and pick up their children but we ask you not to come into the school grounds
- Pupils will not be expected to wear school uniform but please be aware of the health implications of wearing clean clothes everyday

In order for us to plan our provision for week beginning 15th June 2020 we are asking for all parents in Year 10 to let us know if your child will be coming to school under the arrangements outlined above. We will review provision on a weekly basis. You will understand that we have to get your consent for this next stage to work safely. The deadline for you to inform us will be Thursday 4th June. If we don’t hear from you we will assume the answer is no and your child will not be attending. We have attached a form for you to complete and send back to us.

Continued...
The details for Year 12 are as follows:

- Year 12 lessons will be subject to the same limitations on numbers as Year 10
- Their lessons will take place in 2 larger classrooms in the Sixth Form building
- All areas have been deep cleaned, including toilets and any social spaces
- These classrooms will be space planned to allow for social distancing
- Year 12 students will be required to use the sanitisers on entering the building and at regular times during the day
- Year 12 school day will be 10am until 1pm
- School times will be different to avoid any crossover with Year 10 pupils
- Contact times with teachers will be subject specific although there are plans to provide support for students applying to university or other careers support
- Students will not be expected to wear business dress but please be aware of the health implications of wearing clean clothes everyday

In order for us to plan our provision for week beginning 15th June 2020 we are asking for all parents in Year 12 to let us know if your son/daughter will be coming to school under the arrangements outlined above. You will understand that we have to get your consent for this next stage to work safely. The deadline for you to inform us will be Thursday 4th June. If we don't hear from you we will assume the answer is no and your child will not be attending. We have attached a form for you to complete

Yours sincerely,

J Cornally MBE  L Fishwick
Executive Headteacher  Head of School