

Our Reference: KHD/SB\*

15<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Dear Families,

The national context is constantly shifting and following my letter to you on Monday regarding the phased re-opening of primary schools for some children, you will be aware that the Government announced on Monday evening that secondary schools would be offering *“some face-to-face support to supplement the remote education of Year 10 and Year 12 students who are due to take key exams next year”*.

Whilst some guidance has been provided, we are currently awaiting further guidance from the DfE as this phased return, beyond the provision for key workers and targeted students that has been in place since 23<sup>rd</sup> March, may differ from school to school, depending on the context of individual schools.

As we develop our own plans to offer some face to face support for Years 10 and 12, I want to reassure you that the safety of students and staff will be our main priority and a detailed risk assessment will be carried out. We also respect that parents and carers are best placed to determine whether it is best for their child to come to school if eligible, or continue learning from home. Whilst being in school may now be an option for certain year groups at given times, students will be encouraged to attend, not compelled to attend, and the staff will continue to support the learning of all, whether at school or from home.

When we receive further DfE guidance, we will write to you again to confirm the timetable for any face-to-face delivery.

We continue to miss the students and their well-being remains a priority so please do not hesitate to contact the school should you have any concerns.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support at this time.

Wishing you my very best regards,

K. Heard

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