



1<sup>st</sup> June 2020

Dear Parents & Carers,

Following on from my message just before half term, the advice from government has changed causing us to delay our plans until June 15<sup>th</sup>. As I put in my original message, we have been given lots of advice from government, at times this will cause changes to plans so what I am spelling out below will, again, be subject to revision.

The key message from government is that for years 10 and 12, the key delivery vehicle for students will be on-line provision. For us this is using Teams and GCSE Pod, we now have nearly 100% of students accessing work through this model and it is giving us incredibly useful data ready for a return to normality.

We will be supplementing this for our students via a face to face meeting w/c 15<sup>th</sup> June - we can't move earlier than this as this date has been given to us directly by the Department for Education. Staff will be given clear messages by myself and will begin contacting students next week, w/c 8<sup>th</sup> June to book an appointment for 15<sup>th</sup> June.

When this appointment has taken place, specific departments will then look to work with select students according to specific needs - this is to supplement and not replace our on-line provision. We will then look to increase contact as and when we are able to.

Where students are classed as being in a high risk group, we will be contacting them via phone or via Teams so that nobody misses out.

We are missing all of our students and I know that, whilst staff are working very hard to provide work on-line, nothing replaces the thrill of teaching them in the classroom.

Thank you for your continued support and patience.

Yours sincerely

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