

22nd September 2020

Dear parents / carers,

Thank you for your continued support in getting all pupils back into school safely over the past month. All of us are committed to providing the best education possible for your child, while securing the health and safety of our whole school community. Thank you for continuing to follow public health guidelines and encouraging your children to do the same.

You are already aware of the steps we have put in place to ensure the safe return of all pupils to school. We know that you will be keen to understand the impact that we have had in our first weeks of the term, and what our plans are to ensure all pupils catch up with any missed learning, and what will happen if a pupil or pupil is asked to stay at home over the coming months.

That is why I am writing to you today in order to keep you fully informed. This letter will also be published openly on our website and is being sent to our governors / trustees.

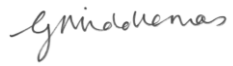
<p>School reopenings</p>	<p><i>Brief outline of how much of the normal school day is open for all pupils (e.g. full timetable, reduced timetable, rota system, extended school day)</i></p> <p><i>Students in all year groups from Y7 to Y11 are in for full days every day. We have a staggered start and a staggered finish to the day, with students leaving at 5 min intervals.</i></p> <p><i>From Monday 28th September, Y11 will go back to starting school at the usual time of 8.40am, to maximise time in lessons.</i></p> <p><i>Y7 students can come into the school building on arrival, and go directly to the dining room.</i></p> <p><i>Other year groups arrive at appointed times and wait in their year groups on the tennis courts.</i></p>
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Attendance	<p><i>Attendance figures for first week(s) of term. Could be compared to figures for March 2020. Could include separate data for different groups of students inc SEND</i></p>
Coverage of the curriculum	<p><i>Brief overview of how much of the curriculum is being taught, any reduced provision. Brief overview of how subjects are assessing gaps in pupils' knowledge and skills. Could reference existing teaching and learning, curriculum and assessment policies.</i></p> <p><i>Students are accessing the full curriculum and there is currently no reduced provision for the vast majority of students.</i></p> <p><i>Intervention sessions have already commenced for Y11 students.</i></p>
Remote learning March - July 2020	<p><i>Any figures you have on how much remote learning was provided and any figures on engagement with this.</i></p> <p><i>During this period work was set for students in all subjects, for example via google classroom, and additional paper-based resources were also provided initially. Colleagues kept in touch with families via a variety of means including phone calls, EduLink, 'garden' visits.</i></p> <p><i>Pupils with SEND and/or vulnerable pupils received additional and more frequent contact via telephone and video calls and work was adapted for SEND students.</i></p> <p><i>Student effort and achievement was rewarded by Achievement points and end of term Commendations as usual.</i></p>
Remote learning in the future	<p><i>Brief outline of plans for remote learning in case of full school closures, cohort isolation, individual isolation</i></p> <p><i>All students have google classroom logins, and resources and home learning can be set using this already. If a student or group needs to self-isolate at home, resources are available.</i></p>
Mental health and wellbeing	<p><i>Details of what support is available and how pupils can access it.</i></p> <p><i>Full details of resources and support available to students has been shared with families, students know where to access help and reminders are frequent. The school is also able to provide students with access to counsellors.</i></p>



Thank you for your support in these challenging times. Please remember to follow both the schools and public health guidance to keep everyone learning safely.

Yours sincerely



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