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Dear Parents / Carers and Year 10 Students,

I hope this letter finds you and your families safe, well and taking the opportunity to re-charge the batteries over the calendared half term break. Following the update last week from Mr Jon Wright, CEO Omega Multi-Academy Trust, we wanted to contact our Year 10 parents directly regarding our plans for students to access some face-to-face support in the final half term to supplement their continued home learning.

As previously mentioned, please be assured, our absolute priority is the continued safety & well-being of our students, staff and their families. Based on our initial plans, Year 10 students will access some face-to-face support from the week commencing 15th June and within our first phase we will be structuring this via Houses to facilitate direct support from our Pastoral Team supplemented by some academic support from core subjects.

Based on the guidelines shared by the Department for Education, we are only able to accommodate a maximum of 25% of the year group on any given day in school and we are currently undertaking a detailed and robust risk assessment with our Safeguarding Team and external agencies to ensure the safety and well-being of students and staff. We will continue to keep abreast of Government announcements and our plans may be subject to amendment. However, as previously stated, we will take a cautious, phased & participative approach to ensure we re-open in a safe, measured and thoughtful way, adhering to guidelines from Public Health England and the Department of Education.

We encourage students, where possible, to access this support, as we believe this will re-focus and re-energise them in the final half term, whilst also providing the opportunity to talk through any personal or academic concerns they may have with our supportive staff. Although the environment will be very different to what they are used to, students will be greeted by the enthusiasm and warmth of our staff who have sincerely missed their presence. We hope that this opportunity will build confidence and certainty for all as we take steps towards a more familiar normality.

We will send you further details of our plan, including a timetable of sessions, once our risk assessments have been verified. In the meantime, so that we can make necessary logistical arrangements for the number of students expected, can you please complete the linked parent survey by **Monday 8th June** to indicate your intentions of your child returning to school to access some face-to-face support. (<https://forms.gle/MCNLDzUHZG9s8CFv5>)

Throughout the final half term, remote lessons will continue via Google classroom and we value the continued support of parents in supporting engagement with these materials. We will continue to develop our online offer for lesson delivery to ensure that students benefit from materials delivered by our staff.

We very much look forward, with hope and optimism, to welcoming our students back. If you have any concerns, however, once our plans are confirmed and circulated, please do not hesitate to contact us; we are here to support you.

Take care of you and your families, stay safe and thank you for your continued support during this challenging time.

Yours sincerely,

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