



LITTLE ILFORD SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer,

What a difficult three months it's been since we went into lockdown. We do hope that you and your families are well and that you are coping with all the necessary restrictions that the government guidance places on us.

As you may know, the government has announced plans to increase the number of students going into secondary schools from Monday the 15th of June. However, this guidance only applies to Year 10. We are writing separately to parents of Year 10 students to explain our plans for that year group. The reason that the government has singled out Year 10 to spend some time in school before summer is that they will be sitting their GCSEs next year.

The school will continue to be open for vulnerable students and the children of key workers (where risk assessments allow), although we plan to close on Fridays for deep cleaning.

The other year groups are expected to continue with the online learning that we have been providing until the summer holiday. The Department for Education haven't told us what will happen in September yet, but they have said that things are unlikely to be back to normal. As soon as we know more we will inform you.

I would also like to remind you of the school assemblies that we have created online to help our students feel more connected to the school community and to give them some pastoral support. The link is: <https://www.littleilford.newham.sch.uk/parents-students-parents/students/pastoral-learning-from-home-assemblies>.

We miss our school community, and yet we are aware of tragic losses that have occurred in Newham and the devastating effect that these have had on many people, so we will continue to proceed with caution, planning for a range of scenarios in the months ahead. Please do let us know if your child is currently dealing with bereavement during this lockdown.

Hopefully, we will see many of you soon. In the meantime, we wish all of you well.

Kind regards,

Mr Ian Wilson and Ms Helen Marriott
Co-headteachers

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