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Dear Parent/Carer of a Year 10 student,

This message should be read along with the general letter shared today.

As the parent/carer of a Year 10 student, we want to give you some more details of how we are planning to meet the new government guidelines for year 10.

The guidance asks for schools to offer 'some face-to-face support to supplement the remote education of year 10' from the 15th of June with 'a clear expectation that remote education will continue to be the predominant form of education delivery for this year group'.

This means that Year 10 students have to be offered some time in school before the summer holiday. We want to make this happen gradually, without risking the safety of students or staff.

Rather than bombard you with lots of information that might change if the Covid situation worsens, we want to outline our plans for next week (w/b Monday 15th June). Between Monday and Thursday we will be asking each Year 10 student to come in for a twenty-minute one-to-one appointment with a teacher. During that time, the teacher will discuss the student's learning over the last twelve weeks, finding out about any issues that there have been and how they've found the level of work. This will help in focusing their attention on the preparations for next year's exams. Then there will be a conversation about how school will operate this term, what the new expectations will be and how we can help them to get the best possible GCSE results next year. Please ensure that they bring their diary/notebook and pen to the meeting.

We will send your child's interview time to you shortly. The time slot cannot be changed. It is vital that they attend their interview on time to meet the requirements of our risk assessment. Lateness by more than 10 minutes will mean that they will be sent home. On Friday 19th June we will close the school for a deep clean.

Students should walk to school and avoid public transport where possible. Any student who has any of the symptoms of Covid 19 (dry continuous cough/high temperature/loss of taste and/or smell) should remain at home and isolate as per the government guidance.

Students need to wear uniform but do not need to wear a tie or blazer. We are happy for students to wear face masks if they wish, although they will be safe without them as long as they follow our instructions. Students must socially distance by 2m throughout their time in the school. Dangerous behaviour, such as deliberately coughing on other students or refusing to follow safety instructions may result in exclusion. Further details of changes in our behaviour policy will be on our website from next week.

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During the following week, we will be inviting the students into school in small groups. We will give you more details of that closer to the time. All that we can tell you for now is that no child will be in school for more than one day per week.

We would like to thank you so much for your continued support during these trying times and wish you and your families all the best.

Kind regards,

Mr Ian Wilson and Ms Helen Marriott
Co-headteachers