

9th June 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Despite the hard work carried out over the last few weeks, we have taken the advice of the Local Authority to delay our provision to year 10. **Therefore, we will NOT be extending our provision on Monday June 15th.**

The advice issued to the school is that the local area has not met the five criteria laid down by the government and therefore schools should remain closed. This is evidenced by both the rates of infection and number of deaths locally. I realise that this may contrast with the message presented on the Government press briefing yesterday, but it is felt that the local situation presents too great a risk to students, staff and the wider community at present.

The Local Authority will be reviewing their advice next week, with the hope that governors can re-consider opening during the week beginning 22nd June.

We will be contacting all students in year 10 over the next ten days so that we are ready to bring students back into school, to supplement their online learning as soon as the advice allows us. We want to ensure we are ready to hit the ground running and make best use of the limited time available. Please encourage your child to share any worries or concerns about returning.

I am sorry for the confusion, but as always we have to make difficult decisions with the information that we have. This information continues to change on a daily basis.

I will write again shortly with our plans, start dates and some links to the resources we will be sharing with the students.

Thank you for your support and understanding.

Yours sincerely,



Ray Baker
Headteacher



David Swaffield
Chair of Governors