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To the Parents of all Year 12 students

Dear all

Firstly, I hope that you are all keeping safe and well and managing these difficult times as well as is possible.

We are all very conscious that Year 12 students have been out of school since the second part of March. Whilst I am extremely grateful to the teaching staff for all their hard work on setting on-line work, it is no substitute for face to face interactive teaching.

From the governments point of view their directive is as follows.

“From 1 June 2020, we expect that secondary schools and colleges will be able to offer some face to face contact with year 10 and year 12 pupils. This will not be a return to full timetables or pupils back in school or college full time, rather some support to supplement pupils’ remote education.”

I think we all would like students back to school, but in a safe well-managed manner. My challenge is to balance keeping staff and students safe and socially distanced whilst increasing the engagement with learning.

We are currently looking at a model that has Year 12 based on the lower ground floor around the canteen and Sixth form area. They would enter and exit the site via the service entrance (Staff will direct them.) We would create a new timetable of “masterclass” lessons based either in the canteen (if the class has 10+ students) or the Sixth form area, if it’s a smaller group. If the class teacher is not safe to attend school, then we will investigate on-line tutorials or recorded lessons. The quantity of lessons would be significantly less than in the normal timetable, to ensure safe social distancing. Students would not have break or lunch nor be expected to use the facilities except in lesson times. They would exit the site, safely, via the “service entrance” at the end of any session.

My aim would be to trial this model for a couple of weeks in June, dependant on Government advice and feedback from parents, staff and students as to how successful it is. In the background all other areas of support would continue and develop further, pastoral calls home, key worker student education, and on-line resources.

Why am I writing to you? Mainly to get feedback on this model. For me it gives the best opportunity for meaningful education whilst still ensuring safety for staff, students, and families.

Please see the link below to a "google form." Please take one minute to feedback your thoughts on this model and whether you would be likely to take up this provision for your child.

[Questionnaire](#)

Best wishes, I am looking forward to the feedback

Keep safe

Mr T P Body
Headteacher