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Dear Parents and Carers of Year 12 students,

Further to the announcement made by the Prime Minister about expanding the opening of schools, I am now in a position to outline what the plan is to invite Year 12 students in for some 'face to face' contact with their teachers. We are very much looking forward to welcoming students back into college, albeit in a very different way.

Government guidance is that we can have a maximum of 25% of students in school at any one time and that students broadly should remain within the same group. This clearly poses significant logistical challenges for us in terms of class teaching.

From Monday 15th June the plan for Year 12 is as follows:

- All students will have a minimum of 2 live Zoom lessons per subject each week. Links to these lessons will be shared on Google Classroom.
- All students will continue to have two narrated lessons from their teacher with follow up independent work.
- Students will be invited into college to meet with staff to begin their UCAS application.
- Whilst in college, students will have the opportunity to meet with their subject teachers to receive any additional guidance or support that they may need.

When students are attending college it is important that they adhere to Covid-19 student guidelines in order to keep themselves, the staff, and the wider community safe. These guidelines include:

- When students arrive in college, at their designated time, they must follow the directions of staff to the central registration point. They must not go to any other part of the school prior to this.
- Once registered, students must go to their allocated area and remain there so that we can adhere to social distancing rules.
- Students must not gather in the Common Room.
- Students will be expected to adhere to rules on social distancing both for the entire time they are in college and also on their journey to and from college.
- Students will be expected to adhere to hygiene and public health advice which will include regular handwashing and sanitising as well as always carrying tissues that can be used in the case of coughing or sneezing. We have increased handwashing and sanitising facilities in college to allow for this.
- Students are discouraged from using public transport. Whilst there are some school buses the capacity on them is significantly reduced. Students are encouraged to walk or cycle to college, or be brought by car- this is to reduce the number of social interactions that they have and therefore reduce the risk of spreading the virus. Any students that do have to use public transport must take responsibility for adhering to social distancing rules.



- Any student or staff member who contracts symptoms of Covid-19 must report these immediately and subsequently be prepared to book in for a test, self-isolate and inform college of the result when they receive it.

The decision about whether your child accesses this face to face support in college of course remains yours but we would strongly encourage them to attend. However, if for any reason this is not the right decision for you, we will endeavour to ensure they receive all the support that they need as we move towards Year 13.

We will send a scheduled time for your child to attend college in the next week.

There are a number of documents attached for your information.

- A Frequently Asked Questions sheet which addresses questions raised by parents.
- The new Year 12 timetable for live taught sessions being delivered.

At this stage there is no published guidance for schools that pertains to September and so I am unable to answer any questions about this but please rest assured that as soon as this becomes available we will respond and communicate this you.

I look forward to welcoming your child back to college very soon.

Yours sincerely



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