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Dear Parents & Carers

I hope that this letter finds you and your family well as we enter the final half term of what has definitely been the most extraordinary school year.

I would like to take the opportunity to update you on a number of things that are happening.

You will be aware that the government have announced a very gradual expanding of opening of our schools and we now have our plan to welcome groups of Year 10 and 12 students back to school from 15th June. There are currently no guidelines for Year 7-9 students, which I know must be frustrating for both you and your child.

We are working hard on our digital curriculum to ensure that we are widening the provision for all of our subjects. All subjects now provide a narrated lesson for students for the start of the week with follow up work for students to complete. We are now going to introduce a live Q+A session for students to attend in all subject areas each week. At this session there will be a teacher available to answer questions, resolve issues and provide support for students. We would ask students to submit questions in advance to the departmental question email address so that staff can ensure all queries can be addressed.

In addition, form tutors will over the coming weeks invite students to a live Zoom session so that students can meet with each other and their form teacher.

Moving forward in the next phase, we are planning to introduce some live virtual lessons for students in Year 7-9, we will communicate with you when we are ready to move to this method of delivery. I realise that not all students have got access to the IT facilities required for this and we will ask for further information from you in the coming weeks so that we can try to provide support where possible.

Can I once again thank you for your ongoing support and co-operation over recent months, it has been greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely

A O'Callaghan
Headteacher

