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Dear Parent/Guardian

Return to School – Students in Year 10

As you will be aware, the Government have announced that, as of Monday 1st June, schools in England will partially re-open. For secondary schools this is to students in **Years 10** and **12**. The current guidance is that these students should have some face-to-face time with teachers during the summer term.

In deciding how to re-open, the utmost concern for us is the safety and well-being of the students and to this end the following plans are in place:

1. Students in **Year 10** will be asked to attend a **reduced** day of **four lessons** on a **cycle**. The year group will be split into four smaller groups, with **each group** attending **one day each week**. Students will have one lesson of English, Maths, Science and either Geography or History, with these lessons being delivered by subject specialists. This is to support the online work that has been set already and in preparation for future online learning. Other subjects will continue to set work to be completed online to support them in being ready for Year 11.

2. Students should arrive at school for **8.40am,** using the **normal student entrance**. Please ensure your child is aware that they should **maintain the 2m social distance** from all other and students, whilst waiting. They will then have two lessons before having a short break. During this break they will be based outside and will have the use of toilet facilities. This will be supervised to ensure that the number of students entering this area is kept to an appropriate number. All students will need to **bring** in a **drink** and **snack** if they wish to have one, as they will **not be able to access the school cafe** area. After break students will have a further two lessons, before being dismissed in small groups, **finishing** at **1.10pm**.

3. These timing have been set to avoid them being in transit with other students who are also in attendance.

These plans have been put in place to ensure that students are in small groups to enable social distancing and that they are in areas of the school not being used by others already in attendance.

You will undoubtedly have questions in regards to how the students will be grouped, numbers in classes, which days they will attend, transport and many more. We will be sending out more details as soon as these are available.

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Although this is the plan for students from Monday 1st June, we are regularly receiving additional guidance and direction from both Central Government and the Local Authority, and it may be that these need to change to accommodate these. We will endeavour to keep you informed of any changes as early as possible.

Yours faithfully

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