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Acting Headteacher : Mr Mark Baines

3rd July 2020

Dear Parent / Guardian

It has been a fantastic week in school, where the students have been fully engaged with their learning and have made the very best of their time at school.

Social distancing post 4th July

The Government has announced changes [to social distancing, to begin on 4th July](#). These changes will affect much of how we live our lives and how we can see the people we love.

Having reviewed our policies at school, we will continue to enforce **2m social distancing** whilst on the school site and we encourage the students to do the same on their journeys to and from school.

Reopening of the school to all students in September 2020


[On Thursday 02 July, the Government released guidance](#) on the full reopening of schools in September 2020. We are delighted that we will be able to welcome back all the students to the school full time. However, the guidance will mean changes to our school day and will be a change from 'normal'.

We are working on how we can and will deliver a full reopening to all students, complete with a full curriculum. I hope we will be able to share our plans with you next Friday 10th July to give you the confidence that we can welcome all students safely.

Consultation on Exams in Summer 2021, for Year 10 and 12

Ofqual has [set out some proposals for how to adapt exams in summer 2021 to reflect](#) the teaching and learning time lost to the coronavirus.

The consultation is open until the 16th July. You may wish to add your views to the consultation, and we will share with all students and parents once the period is over and the final decisions have been shared.

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Exams in Autumn 2020, for Years 11 and 13

On Tuesday, Ofqual published its decisions on how the autumn 2020 exam series will work. The main points are:

- Exam boards will offer a full suite of exams
- There will not be any non-exam assessment (NEA), apart from Art and Design
- Ofqual will confirm timings in due course, aiming for:
 - AS and A-levels in October
 - GCSEs in November
- Ofqual and the Department for Education are looking at how to help schools with the logistical challenges these exams will create.

We will share with students on the Results Days in August the process for these exams, should they wish to sit them.

Trips

The latest Government guidance has confirmed;

We continue to advise against domestic (UK) overnight and overseas educational visits at this stage. In the autumn term, schools can resume non-overnight domestic educational visits.

Now we have clarity from the Government we will soon be able to confirm cancellations of all trips that were due to go out this summer and initiate the process of claiming via the tour operators and our insurance in order to refund all payments in full.


We appreciate this continues to be frustrating, and we thank you for your patience and understanding. As soon as we are in a position to refund trip payments we will be in contact. We are aware that our insurance providers are extremely busy and so we expect there may be some delays in processing claims.

Whilst the weather may have been more variable this week, it is always a joy writing letters to students celebrating their efforts, achievements and contributions to their families. Please do keep sending nominations and sharing pictures of your work and activities with your teachers or on Twitter.

Stay Alert, Control the Virus, Save Lives

Yours faithfully

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