



Dear Parent/Carer,

You may be aware that the guidance for secondary schools was released last Monday. It says that from 15<sup>th</sup> June we should;

“..provide some face-to-face support to supplement the remote education of year 10 and year 12 pupils, with a clear expectation that remote education will continue to be the predominant form of education delivery for these year groups and that this should be of high quality”

And

“..schools have the flexibility to implement face-to-face support for year 10 and year 12 pupils in the way that best suits their circumstances, including considerations around staff availability and workload. It is up to schools to decide how they want to use face-to-face support in the best interests of their pupils e.g. additional pastoral support, academic support, practical support, or a combination of these.”

It is clear, therefore, that no students from year 7, 8 or 9 will return to school before September.

We want to focus our efforts on the action which will have the greatest positive impact. We will put all our efforts into the remote learning offered to students and to individual support for those who need it.

To this end, and to ensure our year 11 grading is complete, we will have an INSET day this Friday 5th June (in place of 22nd June). We will use the progress review today and tomorrow to reward students who are working well and target support to those who are struggling.

We will begin to set work through Microsoft Teams, beginning with year 10 and 12. Mr Pittaway has sent through guides on logging into teams and we would urge every student to ensure they do this to access their work.

Our intention is to make the online learning experience increasingly effective and to support those who need it to work well at home.

It is extremely disappointing for me not to be able to open more widely but we must put the safety of the whole school community first. I hope that we can return to normal as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rob Corbett'.

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