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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you and your families are well with the current challenges you face.

School will close for all pupils over the half term to allow for alterations to the school site to aid social distancing and essential maintenance and cleaning. We will reopen on 1st June for children of critical workers and vulnerable children.

From 8th June, and subject to government advice, we are planning to invite Year 10 pupils to attend a face to face tutorial with their Prep Tutor (or another suitable staff member). The purpose of the tutorial will be to ensure pupils are well and to offer support with their remote learning as they continue to work towards their public exams in 2021. Each tutorial will last one hour. Pupils will be given a set time as a prep group to come to school and they will be told where they should meet. Due to the requirements of social distancing and infection control, teaching from subject specialist will not be possible at this time. We will review the provision for Year 10 after this period and in the light further guidance.

While in school, all pupils will be required to observe strict social distancing and remain at least two meters apart from each other and staff. Hand washing and sanitizing will be required. We are currently increasing our stock of cleaning and hygiene products to facilitate this. Classrooms will be rearranged to accommodate a maximum of 5 pupils per room. There will be no break or provision for lunch. Year 10 pupils will not be required to wear uniform and, as previously advised, they should not use school buses or public transport, if at all possible. Personal protective equipment, including face coverings, is not required.

To help with planning and staffing, pastoral staff will contact parents of Year 10 the week beginning 1st June to ask if your child will be attending the tutorial. This will also be an opportunity for you to ask any questions and update us on how your child is coping with their remote learning.

As I am sure you appreciate, the guidance and advice is changing rapidly and as a result, the arrangements outlined here may be changed at short notice. I thank you for your understanding of this and for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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