

Principal: Dr Katharine Vincent

Friday 19th June 2020

Dear parents and carers,

I hope that you and your families continue to keep well during this time.

It has been lovely to see so many of our students returning to school this week for face-to-face sessions with their teachers. We have very much enjoyed seeing them again. The feedback from teachers is that students have been working very well and that the learning they have completed in these face-to-face sessions has already really helped them to catch up with their work.

I have spoken to some of you this week to reassure you that it is safe for students to return to school. The current government advice is that only those who are shielding should remain at home – this means that almost all of our students should be able to attend school. We have created a very safe environment and have in place a range of measures, including an extensive cleaning programme, to ensure that we are keeping any risk of infection within the building to a minimum. I would therefore like to encourage all students to return to school unless there is a specific health reason that places them into the shielding category and therefore prevents them from doing so.

It is pleasing to see so many of our students continuing to engage with online learning and with the morning check-ins via Teams. Please can I ask that you remind students of the need to continue with this - it is essential and if students are not engaging with it, they will quickly fall behind.

If you are facing any issues in relation to access to technology or the internet, please speak to Mr Dobbs or Ms Bruce so that we can try to help with this.

We are now starting to plan for the wider reopening of the building in September. We have not yet received any specific government guidance about this, but are starting to develop plans for the different scenarios that may be in place at that time. I will contact you with more information about this before the end of term.

Please continue to check our website for updates and news. I hope you have an enjoyable weekend.

Yours sincerely,

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