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Dear Parents/ Carers
As I explained in my letter yesterday, I am delighted to be able to give Year 10 students the opportunity to return to school for two days next week. The arrangements are as follows:

## Monday 29 ${ }^{\text {th }}$, Tuesday $30^{\text {th }}$ June; Monday $6^{\text {th }}$, Tuesday $7^{\text {th }}$ July; and Monday $13^{\text {th }}$, Tuesday $14^{\text {th }}$ July

- Chiltern band A (Group A same students as group A for the past two weeks) and Marlow band (all students)


## Wednesday $1^{\text {st }}$, Thursday $2^{\text {nd }}$ July; Wednesday $8^{\text {th }}$, Thursday $9^{\text {th }}$ July; and Wednesday $15^{\text {th }}$, Thursday $16^{\text {th }}$ July

- Chiltern band B (Group B same students as group B for the past two weeks) and Thames band (all students)

As you can see above we are now dividing Year 10 in half and each half of Year 10 will be in school for two days each week for the remaining three weeks of term. We will be dividing each half of the year in to 9 teaching groups which will mean class size groups of approximately 15 students. This will enable us to try and maintain a physical distance between students in their lessons, in line with the latest guidance for schools. The students will be taught by subject specialists, for all their lessons, although, it is unlikely that they will be taught by their usual subject teacher.

The timetable for Year 10 is as follows:

| $9.05-9.15$ | Arrive via the Bobmore Lane Entrance |
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| $9.15-10.15$ | Lesson 1 - English, Mathematics or Science |
| $10.15-11.15$ | Lesson 2 - English, Mathematics or Science |
| $11.15-11.30$ | Supervised Break |
| $11.30-12.30$ | Lesson 3 - English, Mathematics or Science |
| $12.30-12.45$ | Supervised Break/Lunch |
| $12.45-13.45$ | Option Subjects on Rota Basis |
| 13.45 | Depart School. |

As you can see from the list above we have added the option subjects to the timetable for the next three weeks, the students will do options $A$ and $B$ next week, options $C$ and $D$ the following week and then $A$ and $B$ again in the final week of term. All students will be met on the school drive, so that they can be reminded of their groups for their core lessons and told which option subject they will be doing that day and in which teaching room.

There will be no catering facilities in school, so you will need to provide your son/daughter with a packed lunch and drinks for the day. They will have access to water fountains to refill their bottles.

Students will be actively encouraged to wash their hands regularly and use the numerous wall mounted and free standing hand sanitizer dispensers we have around the school.

For any student that travels to school on transport provided by the local authority, this transport will run as normal and students will be collected and dropped off at their usual points. Students travelling on this local authority transport are being encouraged to wear face masks, so please provide your son/daughter with a face mask or covering, if possible. The students travelling via local authority transport will be dropped at the Redgrave Sports Centre coach park.

Please can you ensure that you ask your son(s)/daughter(s) to access the school site via the Bobmore Lane entrance, unless travelling via local authority transport. In addition, encourage them to ensure they physically distance from other students and the general public on their way to school.

This plan to enable Year 10 to return to school next week for two days and the plans for the other year groups to return have been a significant logistical challenge. Now that the vast majority of teachers are in school and teaching, there will be an impact upon our ability to provide the remote learning activities on line, in the same way as we have since the partial closure.

A separate communication will be sent to the parents/ carers of the three priority groups for them to register for supervision for next week. These students will join their appropriate half of the year for the lessons outlined on the first page of this letter.

Finally, please can you complete the survey via this link to indicate whether your son or daughter will be returning to school for their allocated days over the next three weeks.

Best wishes
Kevin Ford
Headteacher

