

30 June 2020

Dear Parent

End of Term and September Plans

We hope you, your families and your loved ones, are well.

We write to share our headline plans for the remainder of the term and September.

Things are still changing fast and at this stage we are unable to give you a full concrete plan as we always have to follow Government guidelines, but we will communicate openly at all times. Furthermore, our door is always open; if you have questions, please do contact us.

We cannot be sure of what the landscape will be in September, but we have planned a range of options to get the boys back to school and deliver the best outcome for your sons.

For the remainder of the Summer Term

1. #LearnAtHome delivered lessons will continue until the end of the school day on Tuesday 14 July. Teachers will be on site for the remainder of the week, and available to support your sons where needed
2. #SubjectFocus sessions for Years 10 and 12 will continue until 10 July
3. #GettingBackOnTrack sessions for Years 7-12 will continue until 14 July
4. Support for children of key workers and children with needs will continue until 17 July
5. Sports sessions as agreed by professional bodies (rugby, rowing, cricket) will continue until 10 July
6. Sports Day- Thursday 9 July- no lessons for periods 1-6
7. Prize Giving- Friday 10 July at 7.30pm - details will be shared nearer the time.
8. All teaching staff will be on site Wednesday 15 to Friday 17 July so that we can offer:
 - a. Year 9 social sports events Wednesday 15 July
 - b. Year 8 social sports events Thursday 16 July
 - c. Year 7 social sports events Friday 17 July
 - d. Staff training on IT, such that we can take the good into next term, sharing best practice so we are ready for any challenge

For the Autumn Term

We are planning for 3 possible scenarios:

1. Normal School – our preferred and ideal scenario. School running as normal with adaptations only for specific areas such as music and sport
2. Learn At Home – should there be a second spike we may need to continue with the Learning At Home programme, with consistency of provision supported
3. Blended Learning/Year Group Bubbles –

- a. If we are limited with the numbers we are allowed on site we will run a blended rotation system with students attending for alternate weeks. Students will have one week studying at home, and the next week in school in small classes of less than 15. The first week at home will be spent accumulating knowledge, and the second week in school retrieving, consolidating and assessing that knowledge in small classes of less than 15. This model is based on effective, established pedagogy.
- b. If we are not limited with the numbers allowed on site, we will work to implement the Year Group Bubble model if safe and feasible to do so, and the outcome for your sons is the best that we can deliver. We await detail from the Government, following yesterday's 'leaked' paper.

Until we have more clarity from the Government, we are unable to confirm which we will follow but will, of course, share more detail as September draws closer.

Yours sincerely

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