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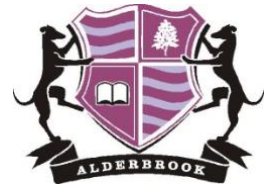
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Dear Parents and Carers of Years 10 and 12

I informed you before half term that I intended to share our plans for face-to-face sessions with Years 10 and 12. Last week the government issued its guidance for Secondary Schools, stating that face-to-face sessions with these year groups can begin from 15th June.

The next stage is to share our plans with you and seek your feedback so that this can be taken into consideration in our final planning. Careful consideration has gone into these proposals and we are working with the Government guidance. This limits what we are able to offer on site for Year 10 and Year 12.

What we are doing for Y10?

- From 15th June, students will attend school for one day a week and receive subject specific support in core subjects (English, Maths and Science). Students will continue with distance learning for the remaining 4 days.
- Every student will be invited to one 3.5 hour session each week. The key points to note are:
 - Students will be kept in small, consistent groups at all times.
 - Rigid social distancing and other infection prevention measures (handwashing, cleaning, no sharing resources etc) are in place.
 - Sessions will take place in large spaces which allow for 2m distancing, and which are sanitised between groups.
 - There will be no extended breaks or lunches (although students will have a 10 minute break between each 1-hour lesson). Sessions will end at lunchtime.
- Staff will continue to set daily remote learning which students should follow, and we will continue to encourage all Y10 vulnerable students who are eligible for the school's onsite provision to attend each day.

What we are doing for Y12?

- From 15th June, students will attend school for one extended lesson in each of their subjects every week.
- Each day of the week will align with an option block, and students will attend a 2 hour lesson with their subject teacher in that option block once a week. For most students this will mean attending 3 times a week.
- The key points to note are:
 - Students will not mix at all – they will come in, attend their lesson, and go home. There are no breaks or lunches as these could allow mixing.

- Rigid social distancing and other infection prevention measures (handwashing, cleaning, no sharing resources etc) are in place within the school.
- Sessions will take place in large spaces which allow for at least 2m distancing, and which are sanitised between groups.
- Staff will continue to set daily remote learning which students should follow.

These provisional plans are subject to change and are constantly under review.

The attached information has been produced to share some key information with you about how we plan to manage risk following 15th June. This should help you to decide whether you wish to send your child back to school.

We would like you to review our proposal and feedback any comments using this brief survey: [Click here to complete survey](#)

We will close this survey on Friday 5th June at 3pm and use your feedback to make any required refinements to our planning.

We know some parents and carers may choose not to send their child into school initially and we understand this. The Government has made it clear that no action is to be taken if this is the choice you make at this point. Our planning accommodates all students in Year 10 and Year 12 so if you change your mind at a later date we will be able to accommodate this, with sufficient notice.

After we have consulted with parents and staff, we will draw up our final plans and will write to you next week with detailed information about which day/s your child will be required to attend, timings and procedures for our provision, and more information about maintaining the safety of all students attending school.

We want to reassure all parents and carers that the safety and wellbeing of all students is paramount in our plans. Alderbrook is a community school and for many years has sought to serve our young people and their families as best we can. We feel this duty now more than ever. The three overall priorities we are working towards are ensuring a safe and hygienic school environment for students and staff; protecting and restoring the mental health of students; and ensuring a happy return to school for all. We recognise that Year 10 and 12 are priority year groups, and hope that offering face-to-face contact will offer reassurance and guidance for all.

With very best wishes



Tom Beveridge
Headteacher