

Our Ref KER/CMC

31<sup>st</sup> December 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

### **COVID-19 Staggered return January 2021**

Further to my letter of 18 December and following the announcement by the Secretary of State for Education yesterday evening I thought it important to write to you as soon as possible so that you know what we are thinking and planning at this stage – although as with everything at the moment things may change.

W/c 4 - 8 January (closed to all students on **Monday 4 January** for staff planning and training). The school site is **closed** to all students this week apart from vulnerable children and children of key workers. During this week we will endeavour to roll out mass testing for all staff and students, prioritising Year 13 and Year 11 – more updates/details to follow. On Tuesday 5 January online lessons will commence for Year 13 and Year 11 and from Wednesday 6 January all year groups will have online lessons with many receiving live lessons throughout the week.

#### W/c 11 - 15 January

The school will **only be open** for face to face teaching for Year 13 and Year 11 students and, vulnerable children and children of key workers. Lessons for other years will be online and can be accessed in the usual way. Testing will continue in line with government guidance.

#### W/c 18 January

The site will be fully open to all students for face to face teaching.

There are many more questions that need to be asked and answered regarding mass testing in schools. As soon as I have further information I will write again.

Please do keep checking your phones and the website for updates – they could appear at odd times!

When it arrives, I wish you all a Happy New Year!

Yours sincerely



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