



23rd June 2020

Dear Parents,

Update on the school closure and the reopening of Kingsbury High School

I hope that this finds you and your family safe and well.

Return to school

The Education Secretary Gavin Williamson stated on Friday that all pupils in all year groups in England will go back to school full-time in September. We are awaiting further information about how the Government expects this to happen and what measures they expect us to take to ensure everyone's safety. As soon as we have developed our plan for the new academic year we will of course let you know.

Year 10 and 12 - Our Offer

We have been meeting each student in Year 10 and 12 for an initial discussion with a member of staff. A timetabled provision on site for these year groups began today for Year 12 and will begin on 29th June for Year 10. **Students should only attend on the days they have been told.** On other days, they should continue to engage in online learning.

May I remind you that, in line with current guidance, we want to encourage students, where possible, not to use public transport to get to and from school. For those students who must use public transport, a reminder that the government has announced that wearing a face covering will be mandatory on public transport in England from 15 June.

Year 12 should receive a report shortly which will feature their End of Year Grade. Parents of Year 10 will receive a report on their child's engagement (since the closure) later in the term.

Students in other year groups

Similar to Year 10, we hope to be able to share a short report before the end of term for students regarding engagement in each subject. Some students in Years 7-9 will also be invited in to school for a one-to-one meeting to support their home learning and to ensure they are not falling too far behind. We are also making some changes to streamline learning at home and will be contacting parents and students about this shortly. Please encourage students to engage with the weekly year communications that come out each Friday.

Keeping your child safe online

The Department for Education has produced some useful guidance:

[What parents and carers need to know during school closures](#) which includes detailed advice on keeping children safe online. It includes information on home filters, age appropriate parental controls, and how to have age appropriate conversations with children about online safety.

[Support for parents and carers to keep children safe from online harm](#) outlines resources to help keep children safe from different risks online and where to go to receive support and advice.

[Support to stay safe online](#) includes information on security and privacy settings.

Covid Summer Food Fund

Further information is awaited following the Government announcement on Tuesday 16 June as to how schools will be able to access the "Covid summer food fund". The Department for Education have stated that families of children eligible for free school meals will be able to access a voucher to cover the full six-week summer holiday beginning next month, which schools will be able to order before the end of term. We will contact eligible families once we have information on the arrangements.

Once again thank you for all your support in this difficult and stressful time. I hope that you and your family are well and offer our thoughts and prayers for all those in our community affected by this pandemic.

Yours sincerely,



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