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Dear Parents

Just a brief update following my recent note to you all. Whilst much of this message will be most relevant for those of you with children in year 10, I thought it might be useful for you all to be aware of current developments.

The news this week has been about the return of a number of year groups in Primary and Early Years settings. I am sure that you are aware that on 24th May, the Prime Minister announced that secondary schools should plan on the basis that from the week beginning the 15th June, we can invite students in year 10 back into school for some face-to-face support from their teachers.

The Department for Education states that this face-to-face support should supplement the remote learning which is to remain the predominant mode of education for this term. We will continue, of course, to provide a programme to support the learning of students in all year groups.

Significantly, we are limited to having only one-quarter of the students in year 10 attending school on any particular day. This is in addition to those who are children of key workers and those considered to be vulnerable, for whom the school has continued to remain open.

The DfE has provided much additional guidance and we are currently determining the best way to proceed for both staff and students alike. We are all very much looking forward to seeing our students return to school as soon as is practicable. As always, conversations with local secondary schools have been useful in shaping our planning.

The government has updated its guidance for parents which you can find [here](#).

The task to produce protocols and associated risk assessments has progressed well and staff and governors will continue to examine these documents over the coming days.

Various modifications have already been made to classrooms and the wider site so that we can operate safely, albeit in a much-reduced capacity. Clear guidance will be given to all students prior to their return so that they are clear on what is expected of them whilst on-site.

I appreciate that many of you will have a number of questions relating to the return of your children to school and I will share our plans with you as soon as I am able so that you can be properly informed.

Kind regards

Edward Rodriguez

