



# THE ECCLESBOURNE SCHOOL

'Learning Together For The Future'

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Dear Parent / Carer,

We are pleased to be welcoming our students back to school. I am writing with further information ahead of the reopening of Sixth Form to all students from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March.

## **Return to school – independent home study**

In the winter term, as transmission in the community increased, Sixth Form students were given the option to adjust their timetables to allow a blended approach to independent study, with the choice to study at home and at school. Independent study timetables were created following careful consultation with parents, carers and students and will remain in place until further notice.

Students are expected to attend all of their lessons. Year 12 and 13 students can still take their lunch into school but students should follow the school's guidance on social distancing and mask wearing.

We ask that parents do not leave their cars or stay to talk to other parents and it is important that students do not gather in groups on the way to and from school but instead make their way directly to Sixth Form. Local businesses in the neighbourhood of the school remain out of bounds.

## **Online Opportunities**

Although it has not been possible for our students to have 'face to face' contact with employers, there are a variety of ways that students can secure some virtual work experience. While Year 13 will be solely focused on their learning, Year 12 students are encouraged to take advantage of virtual opportunities to seek some interaction with the workplace. Connections with employers will be extremely advantageous for applications for next steps. A link to guidance issued to Year 12 students is available [here](#) and can be accessed with the password "Eccles1957!"

Year 13 students applying to university have until Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> June to respond to their offers on UCAS. UCAS has confirmed that the admissions process to university will be concurrent with A level results day on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> August. Should students require any advice on accepting offers, they should contact Mrs Farina, Head of Year 13.

Should you wish to discuss any element of this letter please do not hesitate to contact me via the school contact information.

Yours faithfully,

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