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Dear parents and carers,

Return to School and Coronavirus Testing

The Prime Minister announced yesterday that secondary school students can return to school from Monday 8 March. Coronavirus testing using the rapid lateral flow test will be offered to all students on return to school. To manage this safely, students will return to school from the date set out below.

Monday 8 March Year 11 and Year 13

Tuesday 9 March Year 10 and Year 12

Wednesday 10 March Year 9 and Year 7

Thursday 11 March Year 8

Thank you to parents who have logged on to ParentPay to provide parental consent. If you have not yet done so it would be very helpful to us in our planning for the return of students to school if you could do so at your earliest convenience.

Students should continue to complete the work set for them by their teachers as part of our remote learning provision until their return to school. Students in Years 10-13 are required to bring their laptops with them fully charged on their first day. All students are asked to bring a packed lunch for the first week. Parents and carers of students entitled to free school meals will receive advance payment of vouchers to the value of a £15 per week up to and including Friday 12 March.

School will remain open for children of critical workers and vulnerable children throughout the week commencing 8 March.

Parents' Evenings

In the interests of safety, parents' evenings this year will be managed remotely using School Cloud, an online system for both booking and conducting virtual appointments. Please see the link below for information on how to use the system. There will be three parents' evenings this half term. Booking will be open from Monday 1st March.

Year 11 Parents' Evening 18 March

Year 12 Parents' Evening 24 March

Year 13 Parents' Evening 31 March

<https://bit.ly/3aK1kCD>



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Year 11 and 13

We expect to hear by the end of this week the details of the provision that will be made for the awarding of GCSE, A Level and BTEC grades this summer. We will keep you informed as we know more.

For Year 11 and 13 students we want to emphasise once more the importance of staying focused and completing all work set so that you are fully prepared for your next steps. Students should continue to prepare for scheduled mocks and follow teachers' directions about the work you need to submit for assessment.

As always, please do get in touch with us here at school if you need any further information or support.

Best wishes and stay safe,

James McNamara

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