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Dear Parent/Carer

#### ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE REST OF THIS TERM

We are writing with details about the rest of this term.

As you know, Lister has managed to stay open for all year groups this whole term, except for two isolation periods, one for Year 11 and one for Year 8. We have been proud of this record and the resilience and hard work of our students and staff, and grateful for the support of our families and carers.

However, increasing numbers of staff are being told to isolate. This is making it very hard to operate. We have therefore made the difficult decision that, with effect from Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December, **the school will be open only to the following groups:**

- All Year 11 students
- All Year 7 students
- All students in Learning Support
- All students in the Deaf Support Provision
- All students in the Student Support Centre

We will also approach particular students who would benefit from being in for other reasons. If your child is one of these, you will receive a separate letter.

Live online lessons will be provided for all students in Years 8, 9, and 10 from 8:30am on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December. Students are expected to follow their regular school timetable, and will receive an email from Mr Beck explaining how to access their lessons and home learning activities.

If you are a keyworker and will struggle with supervising your child at home, please email [alice.clay@lister.newham.sch.uk](mailto:alice.clay@lister.newham.sch.uk), and she will respond to see what can be arranged.

If your child will experience difficulty in accessing learning online, please email [kate.naylor@lister.newham.sch.uk](mailto:kate.naylor@lister.newham.sch.uk).

If your child usually receives free school lunches, you will receive a separate communication which will include details about the remainder of this term as well as the Christmas holiday period.

We are grateful for your support at this challenging time. We plan to reopen for all students on Monday January 4<sup>th</sup> 2021.

Yours faithfully

Anthony Wilson  
Headteacher

Eileen Griffin  
Associate Headteacher