



22 May 2020

Dear parents/carers,

### Year 10/12 and SEN students

I promised in my previous letter that I would update you in the week prior to the 1 June.

As you may know Boris Johnson made an alteration to the guidance to schools and announced on Sunday 24 May that secondary school reopening will be, at the earliest 15 June. This means that our proposed school reopening will be delayed. If you would like to read the press release in full it is available [here](#).

At the moment we expect the reopening to be in line with the arrangements we have previously outlined. To reiterate:

- We will not be able to finalise arrangements until 12 June.
- Year 10s and SEN students will receive some 'face to face' support.
- Year 10:
  - For the first two weeks this will be:
    - 10am - 11.30am or 11.30am - 13.00pm (Maths and English)
    - Students will be invited in for one day a week
    - Students need to be in full uniform
  - Options sessions, dates and sign up forms to be released in due course
- SEN and ARC students
  - Sign up support sessions (SEN department is contacting those eligible directly)
  - If you haven't been contacted and want to attend email [senco@hartsdown.org](mailto:senco@hartsdown.org)
  - Students need to be in full uniform
- Year 12 will be contacted separately

To facilitate social distancing and reduce infection we will:

- Check your child's temperature at the gate (those with increased temperature will be turned away)
- Limit class sizes (max 12)
- Increase cleaning
- Students will stay in their classroom and will not have social time
- Rooms will be rearranged to ensure social distancing measures are met
- Students will have specific entrances to enter and leave the school building
- Students will not be provided with equipment

As further guidance is released, we will continue to update our plans. My hope is that both the number of days and the length of time will be increased as we develop our strategy.

In order to plan staffing and to manage numbers I need to know how many parents are intending to send in their children. If you are intending to send in your child please could you complete the attached form by **8 June 6 pm**. [Form to complete](#) (if you have already signed up there is no need to do so again)

**If you do not sign up we will not be able to cater for your child.** Those that register will be sent a confirmation via email of which day they are to attend.

We will review this on a weekly basis and reopen registrations in due course.

I am keen for us to re-open as I feel that children are missing out on their education and I am confident that we can do this in a safe manner.

Best wishes

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