

9th June 2020

Dear Parents/Carers



Re: Widening Participation details for Year 12 students

Further to my letter from 3rd June 2020, I am now able to give you more information about our plans to widen participation for more students returning to Bosworth Academy in Year 12. This is part of the government's phased approach to the wider opening of schools. We want to get all of our students back into school as soon as we are able, because we know it is the best place for them to learn and because we know how important it is for their mental wellbeing to have social interactions with their peers, teachers and staff.

Following recent government announcements for schools to provide some face to face support for year 10 and 12 students we now have plans in place in readiness of the government confirming it safe to go ahead from Monday 15th June 2020. We have completed a detailed Risk Mitigation Plan and have included a parental version in a booklet form for you with this letter. The plan outlines many new safety measures across our school which you and your child will need to follow to ensure their safety, and that of all staff and students, as we aim to reduce any risk of transmission of coronavirus.

Year 12 students will be invited into school with no more than one quarter of the year group attending at a time in line with government requirements. Our current plan is that each student will attend one face to face support session for each of their A levels over a two week period. This means they will attend two sessions for each subject they study before the end of the academic year.

Arrival at school MUST be no earlier than 8.45am for a face to face session starting at 9am and finishing at 12pm, this will include a short 'learning pause'. Normal A level classes have been divided into classes (bubbles) of no more than 10 students and will be taught by a subject specialist over a three hour learning period.

These face to face sessions will differ from usual lessons; we aim to boost home learning provision by explaining difficult concepts, tackling misconceptions and providing feedback on home learning. It will also support students over the final weeks of year 12 ahead of their final year of study at A level.

Once in school it is vitally important for safety reasons that students follow the code of conduct and adhere to our high expectations of behaviour as well as social distancing and hygiene measures. For any students who do not meet these expectations we will be contacting parents and this could lead to students not being able to continue face to face provision. We expect all of our students will want to fully engage and excel in this opportunity provided to return to school after spending so many weeks working at distance.

Please read the booklet included with this letter to help reassure yourselves about the steps being taken to reduce risk on your child's return to school. We strongly encourage students who are in the eligible groups to attend, unless they are self-isolating or there are other reasons for absence (such as shielding due to health conditions). Students must not be sent to school if they have symptoms of coronavirus.

Parents, children and young people are encouraged to walk or cycle where possible and avoid public transport at peak times when travelling to school. We are only able to provide transport for students in year 12 who are in receipt of pupil premium. Please contact the school directly if this is required.



Pupils and parents should do all they can to help make sure they and others can travel safely. This can be done through:

- not leaving home if anyone in their household, has symptoms of coronavirus
- avoiding travelling on public transport, particularly at peak times
- maintaining a 2 metre distance from others who are not in their household
- ensuring good respiratory hygiene by using the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach
- avoiding touching their face
- washing their hands thoroughly before and after travelling
- wearing a face covering if they need to use public transport

Parents and carers of Year 12 students must complete the booking form as to whether your child(ren) will be returning to school. Once we have received this, we will be able to confirm start dates.

<https://forms.gle/J4qUDaLreusWVe55A>

Please be aware that the plans for a start date of 15th June are conditional upon government announcements - at present we are continuing to make firm arrangements for a start on that date so we do not lose the opportunity to support your child further.

Thank you for your continuing support. We are working hard to provide a safe and effective learning environment for your children on their return to school and hope that the information in this letter begins to alleviate any concerns you might have and provides plans for face to face provision in school.

Yours sincerely,



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