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Dear Parents

As always, I hope that this letter finds you and your families well.

The students have responded very well indeed to the request to wear face-coverings whilst they are in transit around the school and I wanted to thank you for your support of this key development in our practices at the school.

There have been a number of notable changes to our daily operations since we re-opened in September. One of the most significant changes has seen students, particularly in year 7 to 9, are remaining for much of their day in a single classroom. Whilst this serves well to maintain the integrity of our year group 'bubbles' it is less than desirable for students, from an educational and well-being perspective, to be so static during the day.

To this end, we are currently looking at further modifications to our school timetable with a focus on enabling students to be roomed into speciality and faculty based classrooms where possible, whilst still minimising the movement around school during lesson transition as required by the guidance. This is not a straightforward task of course but I hope to be able to share further updates on this shortly.

Our parental consultation evening for year 11 is due to be held shortly and this is particularly important as back in March, whilst in year 10, their consultation was regrettably cancelled due to the closure of the school.

Undertaking a consultation in the traditional manner is clearly not possible at the moment and as result we will be introducing a software solution that will enable virtual meetings to take place. In order to maximise the number of available appointments we have decided to run this key consultation over two sessions. These are scheduled to be on Wednesday 21 October from 4:30pm until 7:30pm and also on the afternoon of Thursday 22 October. Full details will be sent to all year 11 parents in the coming days.

In order to facilitate the second session, the school will close early and all students will be dismissed at 12:30pm on that Thursday.

Attendance at school has been very good to date; thank you again for your support in this regard. Inevitably, some absences are unavoidable and if these are Covid related (e.g. self isolating), it would be most helpful if you give brief details to this effect when leaving a message on our absence line; thank you.

I was delighted to be able to appoint our new senior prefect team last week and I wanted to thank them and all students who take on additional responsibility for their commitment and hard work in seeing their school develop.

I wish you and your families a very good weekend.

Kinds regards

Edward Rodriguez  
Headteacher