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Dear Y10 students, parents and carers

I hope you are all safe and well and making the best of the current difficult situation.

From the week beginning 15th June 2020 we are going to invite small groups of Y10 students into school for a series of tutorials. The aim of these tutorials is for teachers to listen to and talk to students, find out what they have learnt remotely and provide advice and guidance on next steps to improve learning and plug any knowledge gaps.

The year group has been divided into four groups of 40 students. Each group of 40 is then divided into a class of 10. This class will stay together in the same classroom for the whole day with two teachers, thereby minimising contact with others.

For the first week that they are in school, on the first day of attendance students will concentrate on English and Maths. On day two the focus will be on Science and Humanities (or one other option if they have not opted for Humanities).

For the second week in school, on the first day of attendance students will concentrate on English and Maths. On day two the focus will be on their options subjects.

- **Group 1** will attend on Monday 15th, Tuesday 16th, Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th of June.
- **Group 2** will attend on Thursday 18th, Friday 19th of June and Thursday 2nd of July and Friday 3rd July.
- **Group 3** will attend on Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd of June and Monday 6th and Tuesday 7th of July
- **Group 4** will attend on Thursday 25th and Friday 26th of June and Thursday 9th and Friday 10th of July.

You are in Group XX

Students should attend in sensible, appropriate clothing but do not need to wear school uniform. They should wash their clothes at the end of the day and/or wear different clothes on the second day.

Students must bring their own equipment i.e. pen, pencil ruler, highlighters etc. They should not expect to be able to share or borrow equipment.



Students should bring any notes they have made during the period closure for the relevant subjects.

Students will be able to buy toast at break and a hot meal at lunchtime but there will be no card system and no cash used in machines. The only method of payment is via parent pay or paypoint. If you are entitled to free meals you should be receiving the vouchers from Edenred and will need to either top up your card using parent pay or pay pal or bring a packed lunch, there will be no free school meal provision automatically allocated to your card as happened when you were normally in school. Please ask pcorbett@shirebrookacademy or roverton@shirebrookacademy if you need help with this.

School buses will be running as normal but social distancing will be in place and we would advise students to avoid public transport if it is possible to walk, cycle or be brought in by parents. New regulations state that passengers must wear a face covering on all public transport, which includes school buses. Anyone failing to wear one will be refused entry to the bus by the driver.

On arrival at school, students should go to the back entrance and queue in a 2m distanced line outside the back doors in their allocated group, the groups will be labelled on the floor, before being collected by their teacher and walking to their room for the day.

Whilst in school, students will be expected to try to maintain social distancing and will be directed around the academy in a one-way system. They should remember advice on basic hygiene including washing hands and avoiding touching the face. Students are not required to wear a mask, nor are staff, but they may do so if it makes you feel more comfortable.

We hope all students will be able to attend. As always, please ring the absence line if you are not able to attend and if you are ill, if any member of your household shows Covid-19 symptoms or if you are contacted by the track and trace system to advise you to self-isolate you must let us know immediately. Any student becoming ill in school will be sent home immediately.

Whilst we cannot make up for all of the lesson time lost, we hope that these days, with a teacher student ratio of 1 to 5 will help you to prepare for year 11 and the return of 'normal' lessons at some point.

Do contact me on mcottingham@shirebrookacademy if you need any more information.

Best wishes



Mark Cottingham

Principal