

5th January 2021

Dear Parents & Students,

I do hope this letter finds you and yours well rested. I wish all members of our school community every happiness for the New Year.

Following yesterday's announcement from the Government on the new national lockdown, I briefly outline the arrangements for school. I will make further information available to parents during the week beginning 11 January.

Live teaching for Year 11 and Year 13 will begin from Thursday 7 January. Parents will receive a separate letter for each year group outlining school arrangements.

Live- teaching for the remaining year groups Years 7-10 and Year 12 begins from Monday 11 January, though study work for these year groups will be set on Friday 8 January. Again, the arrangements for each year group will be outlined in a separate year group letter.

School will be open to the children of critical workers/ vulnerable children from Friday 8 January. (Management of this will be carried out by Mr Nigel Doherty).

Yesterday the government announced that in the circumstances, it did not think it is possible for all exams in the summer to go ahead as planned. The government has stated it will be working with Ofqual to consult rapidly to put in place alternative arrangements that will allow students to progress fairly. Like you, schools were only notified of this decision last evening and therefore we do not yet know how the government intends to proceed. When we do, we will notify parents. In the interim it is most important that Year 11 and Year 13 students engage fully with remote learning and complete all assignments and study set by their teachers to the very best of their ability. The curriculum in these year groups will continue to be taught as planned.

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I do appreciate that Covid 19 is a real threat and Government is trying to respond as swiftly as possible. I do hope the above arrangements will help clarify matters. Let me assure you, that we at Trinity are passionately devoted to delivering a first-class education. We shall do all in our power to deliver the vision on behalf of the children we serve. We must be optimistic, and pray to the good Lord that we come through this safe and sound. We must press forward remembering everything we do, everything we say, everything we think, either strengthens the light or deepens the darkness.

With every kind wish for the New Year,

My best regards,

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