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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that the catch up week was useful for your children last week and that you had a restful weekend.

With two weeks of term time to go I wanted to give you a very quick update on where we currently are and in terms of future planning.

We continue to be open for Year 10 students and our key worker and vulnerable students. We will also be continuing for the next two weeks with online lessons for Year 12 and 'on demand' video or narrated lessons for the other year groups. I hope this change has helped students with their work. Before the end of term Year 7 and 12 parents will receive a written report. These year groups are receiving reports because they were not able to attend a parents evening; all other year groups received reports just prior to the lockdown.

On Thursday of last week, the Government released its guidance for the reopening of schools in September. There is a huge amount of information to digest and planning has already commenced. I am also in communication with the schools in and around our area, as well as some further afield to ensure we plan most effectively for reopening.

Our absolute priority for September will be the safety and well-being of everyone in our community; we will also do all we can to maintain a full, broad, balanced and enriching curriculum for all of our students.

When we return there will be an element of recap and reteach for students in Years 8-11 and Year 13. This will be followed by a period of assessment so that we can see where the students' gaps are, and do our best to plug those gaps before moving on. We will also be putting in place periods of reflection and well-being to help reintegrate our students after their considerable time away from school. Hopefully this will remove some of the anxiety students may have in returning to school.

In terms of final plans, I will share with you our planning for September at the start of next week. There are many aspects of school life we need to consider in light of the Governments guidance and we need time to work it through properly.

Finally, by the end of this week we will be sharing with those parents who have children in Year 11 and 13, information regarding exam results days in the summer and the processes we have undertaken in providing students with centre assessed grades.

Kind regards,

Daniel Leonard
Headteacher

