

17 December 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

We hope you are well.

The Government has this afternoon updated its guidance regarding the start of term in January and has advised that secondary schools in England should not fully re-open to all students and staff following the Christmas holidays until Monday 11th January.

However, the school will still be open from Monday 4 January 2021, as scheduled, for students classed as vulnerable, **for children of key workers, and for all Year 11 and Year 13 students.**

All other students will receive their learning remotely for the first week of term (i.e. from Monday 4 January) and they will be expected to engage fully with this. Thank you for your support in this.

Please can students join their year group Google classroom that will be shared today. We will post the links to their lessons as soon as they are available in January.

We appreciate that this change is short notice and may inconvenience you but it is essential that we closely follow all Government guidance on COVID-19 in order to safeguard our students, staff and wider school community.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch. In the meantime, we look forward to seeing your child, either on their lessons on the Google classroom from Monday 4 January and then back in school from Monday 11 January; or on the Monday 4 January if your child is classed as vulnerable, you are a key worker, or if your child is in an exam year group.

Yours sincerely,



Steve Roberts
Lead Principal



Rob Southern
Head of School