

Dear parents,

As you will be aware it is the government's intention, if the infection rates remain below 1, that secondary schools provide Year 10 with some face-to-face contact before summer, starting from the 1st June.

It is right and proper for us to have plans in place that are appropriate for our context should the infection rate remain below 1 and the government enforce their intentions. These plans are comprehensive and have student and staff safety at the core.

Each school has a COVID-19 risk assessment which includes a number of measures to mitigate any risk to both our students and staff. We will adopt a phased approach so that we can monitor the situation, review and respond accordingly.

Between the 1st June and the summer holiday, we will take the following 3 steps:

Step 1: We will continue to increase the number of online teacher-led lessons for all Y10 students through live or recorded lessons.

Step 2: In addition to step 1, Y10 will be invited into school in small teaching groups at a specific time to work with identified teachers within their option subjects. Those students invited into school will only ever work within one specific area (zone) of the school and not be allowed to mix with other groups of students.

Step 3: If the R continues to fall and step two has been successful at our school we may then look to increase the face to face provision.

In order for us to finalise our plans, I would be grateful if you would indicate whether your child will or will not be attending school (if invited) by completing this form using the link below **by 3 pm Wednesday 20th May 2020**.

<https://forms.gle/9CL6mWxYKyn6PwuB8>

Once we have had all your responses, we will inform parents of the following:

- What time students are expected to attend school for and their departure time
- What lessons they will follow
- Which specific zone and location they must report to

We will keep you updated of any changes as our provision expands.

It is important to note that no student should attend school unless scheduled to do so as part of our key worker provision or phased re-opening for Y10.

School registers will be taken in line with statutory guidance and contact with home will be made as normal regarding student absence unless you have indicated that you do not wish to take up the provision on offer. Current advice and guidance are that no action will be taken against either parents or school regarding pupil attendance.

I totally understand that you may be anxious or have questions relating to the plans detailed above. As always, do not hesitate to contact me via email (mturton@rawmarsh.org) or through MyEd.

Thank you for your continued support

Matt Turton
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