

Dear Parents/Carers

I wrote to you before half term to explain what Year 10 provision would look like after half term and how we could meet the government's ambition to offer Year 10 'face to face' learning safely from 1st June.

Over half term, the government's expectations have changed.

Expectations from 15 June:

From 15 June, secondary schools are able to offer face-to-face support for a quarter of the year 10 cohort at any one time. Alongside this, the government is asking secondary schools to:

- continue providing full-time provision for vulnerable pupils in all year groups (including year 10)
- continue providing full-time provision for children of critical workers in all year groups (including year 10)
- provide some face-to-face support to supplement the remote education of year 10, with a clear expectation that remote education will continue to be the predominant form of education delivery for these year groups and that this should be of high quality
- continue to use best endeavours to support all other pupils remaining at home, making use of the available remote education support and ensuring a high quality offer

It is heartening to see that the expectation has been adjusted in light of current risk factors for our young people, families and staff. This is particularly important for our region where the R factor remains higher than other regions and the daily infection rate currently stands at 2,380, second highest in the country, which is significantly higher than London whose daily infection rate is now at 24. London's rate is doubly heartening in that it shows that infection rates can be controlled and reduced with vigilance but it is important that we are mindful of our actions at this time as we strive to get our numbers to the at least the same and, hopefully, lower.

It is disappointing that the track and trace procedures are not yet as promised and that the app is not yet fully functioning.

In light of the changed government expectation, our regional infection rates and whilst track and trace is being embedded, we are moving the date for Year 10 children, whose parents have requested in-school provision, to return to school. **We will now be inviting these pupils into school from the 15th June.** Parents who have requested this provision and whose children have a place in school will be sent a text message to confirm this. All other pupils will continue to learn from home.

Pupils who have been attending school before half term as they are children of essential workers or have been allocated a place due to other circumstances will return to school on Wednesday 3rd June, 9.00am. This includes any Year 10 pupils who have been accessing in-school provision.

I want to reassure you that safety and well being is our primary concern and we are doing all we can to ensure that, whilst we cannot eliminate it, we keep risk as low as possible. However, our pupils' learning is also very important. We know, from pupil and parent feedback, that online lessons via Google classrooms works best in helping our children to learn well at home. Therefore, this half term, every subject will be delivering lessons via google classrooms. It is very important that your child logs into google classroom at the times allocated on their timetable.

	10am-11.30am	11.30am-1.00pm	1pm-1.30pm	1.30pm -3pm
Monday	Science	Maths	Lunch	Option B
Tuesday	Option C	English	Lunch	Maths
Wednesday	Option A	Science	Lunch	English
Thursday	Option B	Option A	Lunch	Science
Friday	English	Maths	Lunch	Option C

I would also remind you that All YR 10 pupils will be having an online Form Tutor review between 8th-10th June. They will be allocated a time slot from their Form Tutor and it is very important that they attend.

As always, I can be contacted on ndoward@stretfordhigh.com should you have any queries or concerns.

Take care and stay safe

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