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Dear Parents / Carers

Staggered start to face to face teaching at the start of term

Following further guidance issued by the government, I am writing to confirm revised arrangements for the start of term in January. This follows very recent information from the government about the introduction of 'mass testing' within secondary schools from the start of term.

As you will be aware, Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January is an INSET day when the school is closed for pupils. The government has now issued guidance stating that on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January, only Year 11 and Year 13 students should return, along with vulnerable children and children of Key Workers who cannot work safely at home. All other pupils and year groups to remain at home and continue their studies via remote learning. Pupils should access their lessons according to their usual timetable via Google Classroom.

On 11<sup>th</sup> January, we expect that all year groups will return to school. If the government guidance changes or we receive more information, I will communicate this to parents.

I am sorry to be sending this letter so late and to be doing so without more details. I understand the government is still finalising the details and will then share these details with schools. We will, of course, do all that we can to ensure the continued high quality of education and care for all our pupils. I would like to thank parents for their support during these constantly changing times.

Yours faithfully

Paula Humphreys  
Headteacher