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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you all had a restful Christmas break, despite the difficult circumstances we are experiencing at present.

Further to my letter dated 18th December and following the updated government guidance issued on 30th December, I am writing to confirm the changes for the return of pupils in January. We have only just received this guidance and so there may need to be further changes when we have more clarity. Broxbourne is an area of high infection rates and is subject to the government's contingency framework. We expect more details on what this means for secondary schools in due course.

As previously confirmed, Monday 4th January remains an INSET day with the school closed to pupils.

Year 11 and Year 13 students will access remote learning from home, typically via GoogleMeet, from Tuesday 5th until Friday 8th January. As far as possible, students should follow their usual timetable. They will be invited to return to school from Monday 11th January (subject to mass testing arrangements).

Pupils in Years 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12 will be set some work using Google classroom from Tuesday 5th January until Friday 8th January which may be scheduled while we prioritise setting up mass testing. From Monday 11th January, as far as possible, pupils should follow their usual timetable, using Google classroom, for their remote learning from home. Pupils in Years 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12 will be invited to return to school from Monday 18th January (subject to mass testing arrangements).

Pupils of key workers and our vulnerable pupils will be able to come into school on Tuesday 5th January to complete their remote learning using Google classroom. If your child falls into either category and you wish them to come into school, please could I ask you to email the school c/o admin@broxbourne.herts.sch.uk by Monday 4th January. This will help us to arrange our key staff cover for these pupils.

This latest information has only just been released by the government and we will keep you updated with any changes to logistics or information about mass testing (including consent forms) at the start of next week when we hope to have more guidance.

I should like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support during these exceptional times. Please be assured that, whatever the circumstances, we will do all that we can to support our pupils at this difficult time.

Yours faithfully

Paula Humphreys
Headteacher