

21st May 2021

Dear Parents / Carers,

We are constantly monitoring government guidance closely to ensure we continue to follow all Covid-19 safe protocols and have continued to do this as we prepare for the return to school in September. Clearly this is a constant changing situation, however I am mindful that where possible, we are all keen to plan for the summer and therefore the date of the return to school could support these plans.

Full detail will follow, however please be aware at present the information below is our plan:

<b>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September</b>	INSET day - School staff training day
<b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September</b> Wellbeing and Progress Day <i>Week zero</i>	Students do not need to attend school site. Students will be set work remotely to complete as preparation for the new academic year. Remote tutor and pastoral led meetings will take place via appointments for students and parents. This will enable us to capture any new information from families and agree some positive targets for students for the year ahead. More information about booking appointments will follow towards the end of the Summer Term.
<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September</b> Induction Day Y7 & 12	Y7 and Y12 students in school for a full induction day. Y8 – Y11, Y13 students will work remotely.
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September</b> <i>Week one begins</i>	All students return to school and follow their 2021/22 timetable.

Student attendance (remote or on site as per plan) is compulsory on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September and Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September and will be registered as per statutory guidance.

**Please find below some opportunities for families and students we have been asked to share.**

#### **British Dyslexia Association Free Webinar - Mental Health**

If you'd like to learn about stress and anxiety in dyslexic children, the British Dyslexia Association have a 1 hour free recorded webinar which is available for everyone to watch.

In the video, they discuss what causes anxiety and stress within dyslexic children, signs to look out for at different ages and what you can do to help, as well as how to approach conversations and what you can do to support the building of resilience.

To access this resource, please use the following link – [British Dyslexia Association Webinar](#)

#### **The Big Ask - The Children's Commissioner's survey of childhood**

The [Big Ask](#) is the largest ever survey of children in England. Already more than 400,000 children and young people have had their say about what matters to them for their future. Please encourage your child to complete the survey to help shape the future for young people.

### **Olio Food Waste Reduction App**

*OLIO is a free app (mobile and web) that connects neighbours with each other and volunteers with local shops so surplus food can be shared, not thrown away. If you love food, hate waste, care about the environment or want to connect with your community, OLIO is for you. OLIO connects neighbours with each other and with local businesses so surplus food can be shared, not thrown away. This could be food nearing its sell-by date in local stores, spare home-grown vegetables, bread from your baker, or the groceries in your fridge when you go away. For your convenience, OLIO can also be used for non-food household items too. To access items, simply browse the listings available near you, request whatever takes your fancy and arrange a pick-up via private messaging.*

For more information and access this resource please use the following link [Olio](#)

As always, I thank you for your support and wish you a lovely weekend.

With kind regards

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Headteacher