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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you and your families are well and are coping as best you can with the current difficulties.

I have been pleased with the response of Year 12 students to the challenges presented over recent months. Students have been submitting work and receiving feedback from their subject teachers. More recently, students have engaged with online lessons using Microsoft Teams allowing a greater level of interactivity. It has been a great highlight to meet a number of students who came into college this week for their subject lessons. The response has been excellent with over 80% attendance each day. I look forward to meeting more students during the second week of face-to-face lessons during w/c 6th July.

During the final week of term tutors will again contact all students in Year 12 by telephone. Students will be invited to arrange an appointment time to discuss their progress this year together with plans for the new academic year. The tutor conversations will include discussions around student welfare and the progress that students have made during their online work, Microsoft Teams lessons and face-to-face lessons in college. Subject departments will provide tutors with advice on how best students can plan for the new academic year in their subject areas. Tutors will also be able to discuss individual student reports which will contain specific advice for students in their particular subjects. The appointments will be an opportunity to recognise the successes that students have made in very challenging circumstances, and to provide advice and guidance to help them in the next steps.

Students will receive an email next week to their college email account with details of how they can arrange an appointment with their tutor. The appointments will take place during w/c 13th July.

During the most testing of times, our students have demonstrated their resilience and determination to succeed in their studies. Thank you for the support that you have provided, and I hope you and your families continue to stay safe.

Yours faithfully

Mr D Bayne Head of Sixth Form

















