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Mr Jim Roberts- Headteacher

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Last Friday the Government announced their ambition for all students to be back in school in September. I am hopeful we can develop our plans to ensure this happens. Using our two sites it is clear we will be able to accommodate more students but we need to remain realistic that any social distancing requirements would mean the need for a rota system. We will wait for the additional guidance documents that will support this statement of intent. However, it has been really lovely to welcome back year 10 and year 12 students and we are really looking forward to seeing all students in September - whatever form that takes.

The National Tutoring Programme and funding to support students catching up lost learning were also announced. We will continue to look at the detail of these initiatives in the coming weeks and share our thoughts and planning early in the new term.

Our transition plans are well advanced to support both our new year 7 students make the move from their primary school and also our year 8 students moving to the Nevill Campus to begin their GCSE courses. Miss Satterly is currently in the process of putting together a 'virtual' transition package for year 6 students, parents and carers. This package will go live on our website on Friday 10th July 2020. It will include; video introductions from key staff, introduction booklets for student's parents and carers, a virtual Parent/Carer evening presentation and a virtual tour of our Valley Campus.

On a similar theme Mr Frimpon (Head of Year 8) has been working on a plan for our current year 8 to support their move to the Nevill Campus. In tutor groups students will be invited to a live streamed session focused on transition. They will be shown a walk-around the Nevill Campus and will also have the opportunity to ask questions they may have with key staff. The sessions will be supported by Mr Frimpon and tutors.

As highlighted in last week's letter we will be having a Second-Hand uniform sale at our Nevill Campus site on Saturday 4th July, from 9.30am to 11am. If you have any spare uniform that your children no longer need / have outgrown, we will gratefully be accepting donations. If items can be dropped off in a bag at the pedestrian gate at the Nevill Campus during schools opening times – it will be very much appreciated.

We are intending to send end of year reports home for all students in the last week of term. The report will acknowledge where students were, in each of their subjects, at the end of

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the Spring term. It will then reference their engagement with the remote learning timetable. The report is intended to give parents and carers an honest view of a students work across the period of lockdown and more importantly where, as a school we need to focus our time and effort when students return in September. The report will provide actions and links to appropriate resources that will be useful in helping students move forwards in each subject prior to starting school again. We understand the challenges and how difficult it has been in maintaining engagement and motivation across all subjects over the last couple of months. We also understand that different families have faced their own personal concerns that will have affected individual students completing work or accessing resources. It is therefore important that students, parents and carers do not see this as a judgment but as a way of targeting our combined support in moving students forward again.

We are also finalising a draft calendar for the new academic year that will include an opportunity for parents and carers to discuss their child's progress with tutors / subject staff at the beginning of the new term.

As highlighted in last week's letter we continue to develop our live lesson timetable. I have included the planned lessons scheduled for next week in the table below.

| Monday 29/06 | | | | |
|------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|-------------|
| P1 | Maths – 7H/Ma3 | Y10 Spanish | Y9 German | Rs – 10GRq1 |
| P2 | Y10 PE -GCSE 10D | | | |
| P3 | Y10 Italian | | | |
| Tuesday 30/06 | | | | |
| P1 | English – 7P/En1 & 7H/En2 | Y8 Spanish | Y9 Business Studies | |
| Wednesday 01/07 | | | | |
| P2 | English – 10P/En1&2 | Science – 9H/SC3 & 9P/Sc3 | | |
| P3 | Y10 Music | | | |
| Thursday 02/07 | | | | |
| P1 | Y8 French | Y10 Business Studies | Y7 History | |
| P2 | Y8 German | | | |
| P3 | Y10 French | | | |

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| Friday 03/07 | | | | |
|--------------|--------------------------|---------------------|--|--|
| P1 | Science 9H1P1P2 (triple) | | | |
| P2 | Y7 Chinese | Y8 Computer Science | | |

I am sure you appreciate education announcements, guidance documents and updates are becoming a regular feature of the daily news. This week the Scottish government published details of students returning, without the need for social distancing, from the middle of August 2020. I will continue to share our thoughts and planning and hope we can be in the same position for September.

Best wishes,

Jim Roberts, Head teacher

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