



Seahaven Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers

RE: COVID-19 Update 1st June 2020

Government guidance for the re- opening of schools from 1st June onwards

You will no doubt be aware that the government plans for the re- opening of schools from 1st June onwards have been confined to primary schools only for the next two weeks. Unfortunately, this means that we will have to wait a little longer before welcoming small groups of year 10 students back on site. In addition, the number we are allowed to have in the buildings at one time has been reduced to 25% of the year group so we will need to change the suggested schedule to accommodate this. However, our overall approach will remain the same as I outlined in my letter to you just before half term:

This provision is to supply some face-to-face learning for year 10 students before the end of the academic year, to supplement on-line learning and to help prepare for exams and support remote learning

- Handwashing, identifying potential Covid- 19 symptoms before coming into school and thorough cleaning routines will remain key parts of our school risk assessment
- Students will be discouraged from using public transport and asked to walk or cycle to school where possible
- Starts and finishes to the day will be staggered and entrance/ exits/ toilet facilities will be provided for each group
- Students will be kept together in small groups of 15 or less where possible and there will not be any socializing across groups
- Students will be taught in the sports hall and gym to minimize movement around the building
- Students will be taught by specialist teachers in a limited number of subjects. The exact plan will change week to week

Over the next week we will be organising groups and letting students know on which day they will be attending school for the week beginning Monday 15th June. The programme of lessons delivered will be flexible and will respond to any further restrictions or requirements made over the next two weeks so that we can ensure we are strictly adhering to government guidelines at all times.

Phone calls will be made in the next two days to those families who have not yet indicated whether their child will be returning to school for this provision. It is extremely important that we have accurate numbers so please do respond to this request as soon as you are able to allow us to confirm plans.



Principal Sarah Pringle

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Childcare Provision

Students in the childcare provision must practise good hygiene routines during the day and must follow the social distancing guidelines. Please ensure that you check for any signs of Covid- 19 before sending them into school each day. We have been very fortunate in not having to manage any cases in school during this lockdown period and are keen to be able to keep all our staff and students as safe and healthy as possible. If a student displays any Covid-19 symptoms, they must be kept at home and the school notified that they will be absent. Parents/Carers must then follow the published guidelines regarding testing and isolation (links on our website).

All requests for places in the childcare provision must be made through the school office giving the days and times preferred and the reason for the request. Please note that we are fully booked at the moment and are trying to arrange staffing for an additional class, so places are unlikely to be available before next week.

Learning from Home

Today marks the beginning of Term 6. Time has really flown and despite such unprecedented circumstances we know that the vast majority of our students are working really hard. Please do continue to encourage your children to 'keep up, not catch up' over the next few weeks as it is far better for their educational progress and emotional wellbeing.

We will be making arrangements for hardpacks of work to be returned to school in term 6, so if your child has this resource, please encourage them to complete as much work as possible so that their teachers can review their progress before a return to school.

Don't forget the literacy resources on our website. These will shortly include a newly released book in the Hunger Games series which is being read aloud chapter by chapter by members of the English team.

Yours sincerely

Seahaven Academy