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Dear Parents/carers of students in year 10

With secondary schools being asked to open for students in year 10 and 12 from week commencing 15th June, this letter contains further details of the face to face support that your son/daughter will receive.

I know that this has been an anxious time for students and parents. As you can appreciate the task of adhering to the government guidelines in planning for this wider opening, with the safety of staff and students at the forefront, has been a significant task. I am aware that some parents may have felt frustrated at this information only coming out today, but it was important that all measures had been taken to ensure the site is ready for the increased numbers of students we will be seeing over the last weeks of term 6, before informing you.

The government guidance does state that the face to face time in school should supplement the remote learning programme which remains 'the predominant mode of education for all secondary school students'.

For the next two weeks students in year 10 will attend three, one hour sessions in English, Maths and Science on each of their designated days. Students will be invited on site on different days according to their Maths groups, as shown below:

Dates	Groups in attendance	Content covered	Timings
Tuesday 16 th June Tuesday 23 rd June	10M1 – Mr Markey's group	English Language – Unseen poetry analysis Maths – Circle and angle theorems Science – Energy transfer (Physics) Human Resources (Chemistry) Nervous System (Biology)	Students will attend sessions from 9:40 am until 12:40 pm.
Wednesday 17 th June Wednesday 24 th June	10M2 – Mrs Coates's group	English Language – Unseen poetry analysis Maths – Circle and angle theorems Science – Energy transfer (Physics) Human Resources (Chemistry) Nervous System (Biology)	
Thursday 18 th June Thursday 25 th June	10M3 and 10M4 – Miss Kelly's and Mrs Rogers' group	English Language – Unseen poetry analysis Maths – Inequalities Science – Energy transfer (Physics) Human Resources (Chemistry) Nervous System (Biology)	
Friday 19 th June Friday 26 ^h June	10M5 and 10M6 – Mr Probert's and Mrs Groves' group	English Language – Unseen poetry analysis Maths – Inequalities Science – Energy transfer (Physics) Human Resources (Chemistry) Nervous System (Biology)	

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Students should enter ONLY through the Mizzymead Road entrance and should be aiming to arrive at school no earlier than 9:20am. This will enable the relevant hand sanitising and temperature checks to take place before moving to the allocated rooms.

On arrival students will be divided into smaller groups. Students will need to remain in these groups for the times they are on site. These groupings cannot be altered, given they have been planned with the safety of all students and staff in mind.

Identified students in year 10 will then be invited in for face to face sessions with some of their option subjects in the weeks commencing 6th and 13th July. These details have not yet been finalised given the possible changes in the national guidance and we will notify you of final arrangements in due course.

Home learning will continue to be set by teachers as they have been in recent weeks. With year 10 students attending sessions in English, Maths and Science for one hour a week in wk commencing 15th and 22nd June there will be one fewer lesson set per week. Students should continue to access work via SMH in the usual way and are encouraged to make contact with their subject teacher if there are any queries or concerns.

There is the expectation that all students who are able to, excluding those in the guidance who should be still at home (see below *) will be attending their relevant session in the next two weeks so no booking or advance notification is required to confirm attendance. If you are choosing not to send your child into school we would ask that you phone the absence line (01275 850400) in the usual way stating your reason. It has been made clear that penalties for non-attendance will not be imposed at this time. As we would normally, we will follow up any non-attendees by phone, if parents have not made contact.

This letter should be read in conjunction with previous correspondence sent home to you, including the FAQ document which goes into more detail about the expectations on site, including an amendment to the school behaviour policy. These can be accessed here <https://www.nailseaschool.com/communication/letters/> There is a lot of information but I feel it is important that families are as informed as much as possible.

In addition to this information and to prepare students for how the school will look on their arrival next week, a short walkthrough film will be available on the website later today. Again this can be accessed here <https://www.nailseaschool.com/communication/letters/> With this letter you have also been sent a 'Wider Opening Safety Measures' document. I would ask that you go through this material with your child prior to them coming to school so they understand the expectations for their time on site.

Thank you for your continued support in what are very challenging and difficult times. I hope to be able to update you in the next month about the plans for September once further guidance is issued from the Department for Education.

Stay safe and be kind

Yours faithfully

Mrs Dee Elliott
Head teacher

*<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19>