

17th December 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

This afternoon, the government updated its guidance regarding the start of term in January and has advised that secondary schools in England should **not** fully re-open to all students following the Christmas holidays until Monday 11th January.

However, the academy will still be open from Monday 4th January 2021, as scheduled, for:

- students classed as vulnerable
- children of key workers
- students in year 11.

All other students in years 7-10 will receive their learning remotely for the first week of term (i.e. from 4th January 2021) **and they will be expected to engage fully with this.** Thank you for your support in ensuring that your child continues with their learning.

As usual, for students accessing learning remotely, all details will be posted on Google Classroom. Timetables for remote learning will also be posted on our Facebook and Twitter accounts.

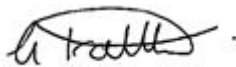
We appreciate that this change is short notice and may inconvenience you but it is essential that we closely follow all Government guidance on COVID-19 in order to safeguard our students, staff and wider community.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

We look forward to seeing your child on 4th January either in person (for students classed as vulnerable, children of key workers and all students in year 11) or remotely (all other students).

With best wishes for a restful Christmas break.

Yours faithfully,



Gemma Trattles
Principal