All Hallows Catholic High School

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Dear Parent / Carer,

Further to my letter of June 8th, I am writing to you with the welcome news that, from Monday June 22nd we will be able to invite our Year 10 pupils back to school to access face-to face sessions to supplement and support their current remote learning, which will remain the predominant method of teaching until at least September of this year.

We are permitted to allow only one quarter of the year group to attend school on any given day, therefore, we have divided the pupils into four distinct groups, based on their form classes. The creation of stable 'bubbles' of pupils will allow us to limit contact between pupils attending school. You will find full details of the composition of each group and the rota of group attendance attached to this email. Additionally, there is a document which sets out the structure of the day and the clear expectations we will have of pupils attending, to ensure that the stringent health and safety measures we have put in place will be upheld. It is vital that you read through all of the information provided with your son or daughter before he or she attends school on or after June 22nd.

With only four weeks of the term remaining after Monday 22nd June, we are mindful of the fact that it will be difficult to give pupils contact with all of their subject teachers. Therefore, we have concentrated on the four core subjects, with each pupil attending for one day per week until the summer break. Clearly, with such a limited amount of time available, teaching will be adapted by each of the curriculum areas to enable pupils to review the learning and progress which has already taken place, and to offer guidance on learning to be undertaken remotely during the next few weeks. Above all, coming to school will offer the pupils the opportunity to re-establish routines after so long spent away from their working environment.

In order for the school to open to a greater number of pupils, a detailed risk assessment has been undertaken which has been through a consultation process with both the school's Governing Board and staff members. Subsequently, the risk assessment has been forwarded to the Local Authority. A copy of the risk assessment is available to view on the school's website. Transportation to and from school is a key concern and as such it is important that you take note of the advice and guidance from the Local Authority which is attached. Pupils who normally travel to and from school on a school bus will be permitted to do so, however, it is **highly recommended** that pupils walk, cycle or are dropped off by a member of the family whenever possible, to enable social distancing to be maintained. Please refer to the attached guidance sheet from LCC. I would be grateful if the parents of pupils who have no other option than to travel on a school bus could email Mrs Washington directly, by Friday 19th June, to inform her of the days on which your child will be attending, the bus number and at which bus stop your child will catch the school bus.

As visitors are not currently allowed on site due to the ongoing health crisis, it is difficult for parents and pupils to visualise the way in which the physical appearance of the school has altered to enable social distancing measures to be implemented. Therefore, to supplement the documents provided, we have produced a video of the school site which can be accessed by following the link below. I hope that you will find the contents of the video both informative and reassuring as you prepare your son or daughter to return to school.

You can view the video here.

I am conscious that we are providing parents and pupils with a large amount of detailed information. This is necessary to ensure that the whole of our community is prepared fully for the wider opening of school. Upon reading the information, if you have questions about any aspects of the plan I would urge you to call school to seek clarification. After thirteen weeks of 'lockdown' measures we are now looking forward to welcoming Year 10 pupils back to school on Monday June 22nd.

Yours sincerely,

C- Horroeks

Mr C Horrocks <u>Headteacher</u>



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