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Dear Year 10,

We have been putting a great deal of thought into how we can welcome you back into school whilst keeping you and our staff safe.

The vast majority of you have been engaging well with remote learning and these are skills that will stand you in good stead in any further education or training you undertake however I am sure you have missed face to face sessions with staff as much as we have missed seeing you.

From next Monday 15th June you have all been invited to a 1:1 session with your tutor (the details are on SMHW if you've missed them). This will allow you to have an honest conversation with your tutor about how you have been coping with work as well as how life has been for you over the last 12 weeks. Please make every effort to come in for this meeting; if you are worried that you have not kept up with work and may be going to have a difficult conversation please don't be, the point is to help you move forward not to take issue with how you have engaged up to now. You will have received clear instructions about where to go and what to do on arrival, please follow these as the intention is to keep you safe. School does look a little different with signs about distancing, a one way system and lines outside where you should line up. It goes without saying that we have our usual high expectations of your behaviour when you are on site.

Then from Tuesday 23rd June we are offering sessions with the 3 core subjects of Maths, English and Science. You will have seen in the news that we can only have a quarter of you in on any one day. We are delighted that so far 111 of you have confirmed that you will be attending. The sessions will be in small groups of no more than 15 and will not necessarily be with your usual teacher as once you are in your bubble we cannot mix you up again. You will be in school for 3 hours from 8:50 to 11:50 on a Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday and the pattern of the day will look something like this:

Group	Bubble	Room	9 - 9:50	10 - 10:50	11 – 11:50
1	Yellow	T1	Eng	Maths	Sci
	Blue	Mu	Maths	Sci	Eng
	White	S1	Sci	Eng	Maths

When you have your tutor 1:1 you will be told which day and room you should report to as well as all the detail about what to bring – it is vital you bring your own equipment as you will not be able to share or borrow pens etc

Your Option subjects will continue to be delivered remotely as we cannot mix you up but you should be starting to see invitations in teams to some live session with staff in these subjects. We have split the time between the option blocks so you should not get any clashes.

You are now the senior year in school; the Student Executive will be announced soon and we hope to have your new sweatshirts in school by your core sessions so you can start to wear them if you choose. Whilst no announcements have been made about the structure of your exams next year we obviously want you back with us so you are as strong a position as possible for whatever happens.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible over the next 5 weeks.

Take care,

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Mrs Massey Acting Headteacher