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Dear Parents

Can I just begin by thanking you again, for your support and the many positive messages we have received over the last couple of weeks. Could I also take this opportunity to thank you for the support you continue to offer your children with their home learning. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if we can be of assistance in anyway; especially if you have any concerns regarding your child's well-being.

Reminder

Tomorrow, Friday 26th June 2020 is an INSET day in school. Further training to support staff in our use of on-line teaching and in particular the use of the Teams platform, is taking place. **Therefore, teachers will not be setting any work tomorrow.** Your child is not expected to complete work at home tomorrow; it should be a good opportunity for them to enjoy the sunshine.

Information for Year 10 Parents and Pupils about the Phased Return to School

- **Phase 1** - It has been wonderful to see our Year 10 pupils back in the building this week for their **Phase 1 Interviews**. We hope that they have found these useful and reassuring. Attendance has certainly been fantastic so, as ever, many thanks for your support.
- **Phase 2** - We are looking forward to working with our Year 10s in small classes, in face to face lessons in English, mathematics and Science from 6th July 2020. More details are attached on the second page for parents of Year 10 pupils.

New House System for 2020-21

We are thrilled to announce that from September, we will be launching a new House System within the school. There will be 5 Houses, each consisting of 2 forms. For example, Bosco and Peter will join together to create House 'Lourdes'. This means that all pupils within Bosco and Peter from years 7-11 will be part of this House. Lots of varying competitions will take place throughout the year which will score points for Houses. Each House will be aiming to become House Champions by the end of the year. This is a really great way for us to celebrate all the positive things that our pupils are capable of. We will be hosting our pre-launch of the new system in the week commencing 13th July, watch out on twitter, the school website and the daily year leader bulletins for more information, including videos which will announce which forms are joining together, what the Houses will be called and who the House Leaders are.

RSE Survey

A big thank you to all of you who took the time to complete the RSE survey. Responses and individual comments were really positive and constructive. All views are being taken into consideration as we plan our schemes of work for the coming academic year.

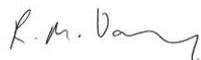
Year 11

Tomorrow is officially the final day for Year 11s as being Blessed Trinity pupils. We have prepared a short video for them; this will be available tomorrow on the school website and Twitter. Thank you, Year 11, for the last 5 years, it has been a great privilege to work with you and help you to grow into such fantastic adults. I wish you every success as you enter the next phase of your lives; seek to make the world a better place! Make every effort to follow our Mission Statement and you won't go far wrong; Love God, Serve Others, Work Hard and Value All. Further information will follow shortly regarding receiving your examination grades.

Final comments

I hope that you and your family are well and are managing to stay positive during this challenging time. We are looking forward to our return, in whatever form that is, in September. We have had no further details regarding the return for Years 7, 8 and 9 as yet. Rest assured, we will share them with you as soon as we know more.

Yours sincerely



Richard Varey
Headteacher

Further information for Year 10 Parents and Pupils about the Phased Return to School

- **Phase 2**

From 6 July 2020, Year 10 pupils will enter **Phase 2** of their return, coming into school for **face-to-face lessons** in English, Mathematics and Science. In line with Government guidance, we shall be asking each pupil to come into school **once a week** and to continue with learning at home for the rest of the time. Pupils will work in groups of around 10.

At their Phase 1 Interviews, pupils are being told their day, group and room for the **Phase 2 face-to-face lessons**. We shall send out further details about the structure of Phase 2 next week. In the meantime, we are pleased to attach again a brief outline of the intended learning from each Core curriculum area.

Phase 2: Face-to-face Lessons

Here is a brief outline of the work Year 10 pupils will be doing during Phase 2, from 6 July 2020.

- English

The English team have designed Literature lessons around 'A Christmas Carol' looking at themes and characters. There will also be work on Language. At their Phase 1 interview, all pupils will receive a revision guide for 'A Christmas Carol' and some 'Walking Talking Mock Papers'. Pupils will need to bring these resources with them into school for their face-to-face lessons. English teachers will offer further guidance and instructions on Show my Homework.

- Mathematics

The Mathematics team have designed their sessions around key GCSE topics and exam technique in areas that pupils in Year 10 can often find difficult. At their Phase 1 interview, all pupils are receiving a copy of a recent GCSE paper. Pupils will need to bring this paper with them into school for their face-to-face lessons. Maths teachers will offer further guidance and instructions on Show my Homework.

- Science

The Science team have designed their sessions around high impact GCSE exam technique and interpreting exam style questions. At their Phase 1 interview, all pupils will receive copies of recent GCSE papers. Pupils will need to bring these papers with them into school for their face-to-face lessons. Science teachers will offer further guidance and instructions on Show my Homework.

We have worked hard to make these first sessions meaningful and relevant to our pupils but will review all arrangements on a regular basis and keep you fully informed of any changes.