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IMBERHORNE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers

School re-opening for Year 12 students

You will all be aware that the government has introduced a strategy to ease lockdown restrictions and this includes a phased re-opening of schools for Year 12 students. At Imberhorne, we have thought carefully about how we can provide our Year 12 students opportunities to have face-to-face support for online learning with their subject teachers and I shall now explain the next step in this process.

Over the coming weeks, starting from Monday June 22nd, Year 12 students will be invited into school so that they can benefit from a double lesson once a fortnight in each of their 6th Form courses. Each Year 12 student will receive an e-mail giving them details of the days and times they are invited to attend, and which classroom they will be in.

These lessons in school will support the home learning that students will continue to be set across the week; the lessons will also be available online for students who cannot come into school. I understand that some students must stay at home because of medical concerns for themselves or within their family; also, some parents and students may not be confident that it is yet safe to return to school, even in this very limited way. Be assured, students will not be disadvantaged if they cannot attend these lessons in school as the work will be available for them to complete at home. Where possible, though, we would recommend that students attend when invited as they will benefit from the support their subject teachers can offer.

In planning to have Year 12 students return to school, in a limited way, we have considered the safety of students and staff (including social distancing) and have taken account of the guidance published by the government, the Department for Education and the Local Education Authority. The lessons in school will be organised as follows:

- Students will be invited for a double lesson.
- There will be around 45 students invited on any day, which represents only 4, 5 or 6 classes.
- Each class will be in a 6th Form room chosen to keep the Year 12 students distanced from the Year 10 students who are also in school.
- Because we are offering double lessons, students will remain in the same classroom and therefore will only be mixing with a small number of other students – never more than 15.

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- Students should bring any relevant folders or note-books for the subject and provide their own pens and paper – no equipment will be available for lending.
- Students should have a water-bottle with them.
- Where possible, I would recommend that students walk or cycle to school. If students are given lifts, they should be dropped off in the school bus bay. Only use public transport if there is no alternative.
- When students arrive in school, they should go directly to their classroom.
- Students will be required to sanitise their hands as they go into the school and before they leave.
- Students will be expected to follow social distancing rules at all times (including when travelling to and from school).

I hope that you will be reassured by these plans, that it will be safe for our students and staff to return to school for a few lessons in this limited way. I will send e-mails to each Year 12 student inviting them into school and setting out the days and times they can attend. Please contact Mrs Alison Davies (adavies@imberhorne.co.uk) if your son/daughter cannot come in to school for these lessons so that I know who should be in school each day.

Yours faithfully

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