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Dear Parent / Carer

Latest update on the coronavirus lockdown and schools

I hope that you and your family are well. You will doubtless be aware from media reports that the government has set out the steps it intends to take to gradually ease the coronavirus lockdown and return the country to something approaching normality. This includes tentative plans for the reopening of schools over the coming months.

We have now received further health and safety guidance. We are studying it closely to ensure that we adhere to the highest health and safety standards.

The guidance states:

"We expect that secondary schools will be able to offer some face to face contact with Year 10 pupils. This will not be a return to full timetables or pupils back in school full time, rather some support to supplement pupils' remote education."

The government has stressed that its plans for easing the lockdown depend on success in controlling the spread of the coronavirus. All dates are provisional and subject to change. I will be in touch again as soon as we receive further guidance.

We will be contacting families over the next week or so to check on well-being and access to remote learning.

We have delivered GCSE workbooks to Year 10. Following the Department for Education guidance released on Monday, we now intend to order and deliver specific workbooks to Year 9 who started their GCSE courses earlier this year.

New work has been updated on the Show My Homework website.

Please contact me if you require any further support.

Keep safe and well.

Yours faithfully EWilliams

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