



23rd April 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

Principal's Update – Summer Term 1

It has been great to welcome students and colleagues back to the Collegiate at the start of term and we are looking forward to another busy and successful period, hopefully without the level of disruption caused by forced absences in the last two terms. I am pleased to report that no positive cases were reported over the Easter break and so there has been no need for contact tracing since we returned to school in w/c 8th March 2021. Another delivery of home test kits arrived yesterday and so we shall arrange distribution to students over the next few days – there should be enough for twice weekly tests for another three weeks.

Internal Exams

Well done to Year 13 students who have been taking exams this week. A reminder that students and parents will not receive results or feedback from these exams, but the outcomes will be used to support the generation of Centre Assessment Grades to be submitted later this term. Year 13 lessons will now resume from Tuesday, 27th April 2021 until half term.

I was also very impressed with Year 10 students as they took their RE exam today – their approach was focussed and mature. Like Year 13, students will not receive results or feedback, but the outcomes will be used to support the generation of Centre Assessment Grades. For the remainder of this academic year, Year 10 students will have fewer RE lessons, instead picking up additional Science.

Year 11 Exams started today and will stretch over the next two weeks. As advised in Miss Ogunseye's letter earlier this week, students must arrive at school at 9.00am for exams which begin at 9.30am and will be to go home after lunch to revise independently if they do not have an afternoon exam. Students will be in regular lessons in the mornings if they do not have an exam.

Looking Ahead

Whilst we continue to operate under the system of controls, we are looking forward to making adjustments in the coming months which will allow us to hold versions of events that we would usually hold in the summer term – including College VI Induction, Year 7 Induction, Choir of the Year and Sports Day. At the same time, extra-curricular activities are now restarting and I hope that many students will enjoy taking part. We must not be complacent about the steps we are taking to operate safely, but we can be optimistic. I shall continue to provide regular updates throughout the term.

Yours sincerely

Mr S Dey
Principal