

Headteacher: Miss Caitlin Macrae

20<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Year 10 and 12 students

I hope this letter finds you and your family safe and well. As you will be aware, the government has recently updated the guidance for schools, parents and carers about provision for Year 10 and Year 12 students during the next half term. More detail can be found at the following link: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closureof-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers/reopening-schools-and-othereducational-settings-from-1-june>

On the 28<sup>th</sup> May, the government will decide whether the '5 key tests' for reopening schools more widely have been met. If these 5 key tests have been met, schools will be asked to begin to reopen more widely from 1st June.

At The Highfield School, we will therefore look to provide some 'face to face' support for Year 10 and Year 12 students at some point during the half term.

I am afraid that I cannot, at this point, share any further plans about what this support might look like for your child. This is because we are still awaiting further government guidance for secondary schools about this provision, which we have been told will be available early this week. We then need to ensure that our plans and risk assessments are robust and secure. I will therefore write to you again in the week beginning 1<sup>st</sup> June at the latest, to confirm our plans for Year 10 and 12 students.

In the meantime, if you have a child in Year 10 and/or Year 12, could you please complete the survey - once for each child if you have more than one child in these year groups – to let us know your thoughts on sending your child into school for 'face to face' sessions next half term. (<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/Y10Y12surveyMay2020>) Please complete the survey by **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May at 1pm.**

If your child is extremely clinically vulnerable and shielding, clinically vulnerable or living in a household with extremely clinically vulnerable and shielding family members we would ask that your child does not attend school.

Many thanks for your continued patience and support of the school.

Wishing you all the best of health.

Kind regards

Caitlin Macrae  
Headteacher