

ARCHBISHOP ILSLEY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Dear Year 10 Parents, Carers and Students,

There is a vast amount of coverage and publicity about the formal return to school. I wish to clarify the current position for Y10 students at Archbishop Ilsley Catholic School.

On 24 May the Prime Minister announced that secondary schools should plan on the basis that from the week commencing 15 June, we can invite year 10 students back into school for some face-to-face support with their teachers, subject to the government's 5 tests being met.

The offer of face-to-face support is to supplement the remote education of Year 10 students, which will remain the predominant mode of education during this term.

At present, our plan is to provide Year 10 with the opportunity to have a face to face meeting with a teacher in most of the subjects they are studying. The students will be in small groups and we will have a maximum of 50 Y10 students on site at a time, in line with the government guidance of having no more than 25% of a cohort in school. The meetings will allow subject staff to offer support for further online learning and to gauge what planning they need to do for the next academic year. We are looking at whether we can provide two opportunities for your child to attend and these sessions will be organized so that your child is not on site for more than 3 hours. I must stress that these sessions are not timetabled lessons and there will be no curriculum delivery, they are designed to support students with their online learning and to start planning for when things return to some normality.

The logistical planning for this is a huge undertaking and as yet I cannot confirm the exact date when we will start these sessions. Current guidelines state that secondary schools can start to offer provision from June 15th but we will not confirm any dates until we are confident that our plans are as safe as they can be. Once plans are finalized we will send out a letter to you informing you of the date, time and procedures that students will need to follow for coming into school.

To help us in our planning we do need to know if you intend to send your child in for these sessions. They are not compulsory but we would strongly encourage your child to attend in order to touch base with staff and to resolve any issues with remote learning. **If you do not wish your child to attend**, please contact the school on 0121 706 4200 or via the enquiry email enquiry@ilsley.bham.sch.uk by **no later than Friday 5th June**. If we do not hear from you we will assume your child is attending.



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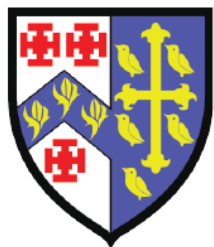
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Please be rest assured; the school will do everything it can to make sure our plans are as safe as possible. We will practise social distancing in line with the measures the government is asking everyone to adopt in public and in workplaces. It is expected that any student who attends will follow the guidelines to minimise risk to themselves and others.

I know many of you will have questions around what will happen with examinations next summer, given that students have been out of school for some time. There is a national consultation happening at the time of writing this letter to look at this issue and I will inform you of the outcome once we know what has been decided.

Your support and understanding over the last few months has been very helpful as we navigate our way through a situation that is new for everyone. Please stay safe and well and we will continue to pray for everyone connected to our school community.

God Bless

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Headteacher



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