



6 November 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

### Blended Learning

In response to the announcement on Saturday 31st October 2020 about a national lockdown for four weeks, together with the significant disruption to learning before half term, as a result of staff and pupil self-isolation, we are currently preparing an offer of blended learning to begin the week commencing 23rd November.

Although further details will be forwarded nearer the time, this will entail each year group completing three days of learning in school and two days of learning at home. The full curriculum will continue to be taught live by the appropriate teacher either face to face when in school or remotely through Microsoft Teams when at home. It is an expectation that all pupils will engage fully in the virtual lessons and that the school day will run a full timetable.

This 60:40 approach will enable us to ensure continuity in learning for all pupils irrespective of whether they or their teachers are isolating whilst creating space within the building to reduce the risk of possible infection.

For staff to fully prepare for this new approach to our curriculum offer, pupils will finish school at 1:45 p.m. from **Monday, 9th November** until **Friday, 20th November**. The school day will then revert to the usual 2.55 p.m. finish as of Monday 23rd November for both pupils attending school for their lessons and those receiving live remote teaching.

As the remote learning will require access to devices and the internet, please ensure you have completed and submitted the Keeping Safe Online Learning Survey. Also, please ensure you inform school next week, if you have not already done so, if require access to the internet and / or a suitable device.

Yours sincerely

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Executive Principal

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