





KS3 NEWSLETTER – 26TH JUNE 2020

Dear Parent / Carer

I hope that this latest correspondence finds you and your family safe and well.

We are very pleased to have been able to welcome back into school, over the last two weeks, quarter year group cohorts of Year 10 and 12 students for some face to face teaching to supplement their distance learning. I sincerely hope this, in line with recent government announcements, is the start of a pathway which will permit students from all year groups back into school in September.

There are a small number of teachers involved in onsite teaching to Year 10 / 12 students on each school day until the end of term. Students and parents should be aware that when teachers are onsite teaching Year 10 / 12 they are not expected to be contributing to distance learning provision on that particular day and therefore may not be able to respond to distance learning related queries or questions as quickly as they would do normally.

Please find here: <u>https://bit.ly/2Z2gkop</u> a link to an NSB interactive newsletter which is dedicated to our KS3 students and parents / carers. The newsletter offers a number of things for you and your son at home to read and listen to: a showcase of some outstanding pieces of student work and success stories, recorded assemblies and video messages for each year and house group, updates and information to support parents and students with distance learning, a breadth of advice on safety and well-being, information, thoughts and support around the 'Black Lives Matter' campaign and a wide range of extra-curricular ideas and links, including a variety of school and house challenges for students to opt into if they wish. Many thanks to Mr Rodger who coordinated the whole project and who is also chief narrator and to Mrs Greenaway who was responsible for putting together a significant amount of the material in the latter half of the newsletter.

We are awaiting government guidance next week regarding the arrangements for opening schools in the new academic year. I will write to all parents / carers again when we have confirmed plans for September following receipt and analysis of this guidance.

Yours faithfully

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